

## A Remembrance of the Order and Manner of the Burial of MARY QUEEN OF SCOTTS.

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ON Sunday, being the thirtieth of July, 1587, in the twenty-ninth year of the reign of Elizabeth the Queen's Majestie of England, there went from Peterborough Mr. Dethick, alias Garter Principall King of Armes, and five heralds, accompanied with forty horse and men, to conduct the body of Mary Queen of Scotts from Fotheringham Castle in Northamptonshire to Peterborough aforesaid, which Queen had remayned prisoner in England years; having for that purpose brought a royal coach drawn by four horses, and covered with black velvet, richly sett forth with escocheons of the arms of Scotland, and little penons round aboute it; the body being inclosed in lead, and the same coffined in wood, was brought down and reverently put into the coach, at which time the heralds put on their coats of arms, and bareheaded, with torches light, brought the same forth of the castle, about ten of the clock at night, and so conveyed it to Peterborough, miles distant from Fotheringham Castle; whither being come about two of the clock on the Monday morning, the body was received most reverently at the minster dore of Peterborough by the bishop, dean, and chapter, and Clarenceux King of Armes, and, in the presence of the Scotts which came with the same, it was layd in a vault prepared for the same in the quire of the saide church on the south side, opposyte to the tombe of Queen Catherine, Dowager of Spayne, the first wife to King Henry the Eighth. The occasion why the body

was forthwith layd into the vault, and not borne in the solemnity, was, because it was so extreame heavy by reason of the lead, that the gentlemen could never endure to have carryed it with leasure in the solempne proceeding, and besides was feared that the sowder might ripp, and being very hott weather might be found some annoyance.

On Tuesday, being the first of August, in the morning, being about eight of the clock, the chiefe mourner, being the Countess of Bedford, was attended upon by all the lords and ladyes, and brought into the presence chamber, within the bishop's pallace, which all over was hanged with black cloath, she was by the Queens Majesties gentlemen ushers placed somewhat under a cloath of estate of purple velvett, having given to the great officers their staves of office, viz. to the Lord Steward, Lord Chamberlaine, the Treasurer and Comptroller, she took her way into the great hall where the corps stood, and the heralds having marshalled the several companies, they made their proceedings as followeth:

Two conductors in black, with black staves.

Poor women mourners, to the number of one hundred, two and two.

Two yeomen harvengers.

The standard of Scotland borne by Sir George Savill, knight,  
Gentlemen in clokes to the number of fifty, being attendance on the lords and ladys.

Six grooms of the chamber, viz. Mr. Eaton, Mr. Bykye, Mr. Ceacavall, Mr. Flynt, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Lylle.

Three gentlemen shewers to the Queen's Majestie, Mr. Horseman, Mr. Fynes, and Mr. Marten.

Gentlemen in gownes, Mr. Worme, Mr. Holland, Mr. Crewse, Mr. Watson, Mr. Allington, Mr. Darrell, and Mr. Foscue.

Scotts in clocks, seventeen in number.

A Scottish priest. The chaplains to the two bishops.

Mr. Fortescue, mr. of the wardrobe to the Queen's Majestie.

The Bishop of Peterborough.  
 The Bishop of Lincoln.  
 The great banner, borne by Sir Andrew Nowell, knight.  
 The comptroller, Mr. Melvin.  
 The treasurer, Sir Edward Montague.  
 The lord chamberlayne was Lord Dudley.  
 The lord steward was Lord St. John of Basing.  
 Two ushers.

Atchivements of Honor borne by Heralds.	}	Helme and crest borne by Portcullis.
		Targe borne by York.
		Sword borne by Rouge Dragon.
		Coat borne by Somersett.

Clarenceux King of Armes, with a gentleman usher, Mr. Con-  
 ningsbye.

The corps borne by esquires in cloks:

Mr. Francis Fortescue.  
 Mr. William Fortescue.  
 Mr. Thomas Stafford.  
 Mr. Nicholas Smith.  
 Mr. Nicholas Hyde.  
 Mr. Howland, the bishop's brother.

Eight bannerolls borne by esquires:

Mr. William FitzWilliams.  
 Mr. Griffin of Dingley.  
 Mr. Robert Wingfeild.  
 Mr. Bevill.  
 Mr. Lynne.  
 Mr. John Wingfeild.  
 Mr. Spencer.  
 Mr. John Fortescue of Aywood.

The canopy, being of black velvett fringed with gold, borne by four Knights, viz.

Sir Thomas Manners.  
 Sir George Hastings.  
 Sir James Harrington.  
 Sir Richard Knightley.

Assistants to the body, four Barons, which bore up the corners of the pall of velvett:

The Lord Mordant.  
 The Lord Willoughby of Parham.  
 The Lord Compton.  
 Sir Thomas Cecill.

Mr. Garter, with the gentleman usher Mr. Brakenburye.  
 The Countess of Bedford, supported by the Earls of Rutland and Lincolne.  
 Her trayne borne up by the Lady St. John of Basing, and assisted by Mr. John Manners, vice-chamberlaine.  
 The Countess of Rutland, Countess of Lincolne.  
 The Lady Talbot, Lady Mary Savell.  
 The Lady Mordant.  
 The Lady St. John of Bletschoe.  
 The Lady Manners.  
 The Lady Cecill.  
 The Lady Montague.  
 The Lady Nowell.  
 Mrs. Alington.  
 Mrs. Curle.

Two ushers.

Eight Scottish gentlewomen.

The gentlewomen of Countesses and Baronesses, according to their degrees, all in black, with Paris heads.

Servants in black coats:

The Countess of Bedford, ten  
 The Countess of Rutland, eight.  
 The Countess of Lincolne, eight.  
 The Lady St. John of Basing, five.  
 All lords and ladyes, five.  
 All knights and their wives, four.  
 All esquieres, one.

The body being thus brought into the quire was sett down within the royall herse, which was twenty foot square and twenty-seven foot in height, covered over with black velvett, and richly sett with escotcheons of armes and fringe of gold; upon the body, which was covered with a pall of black velvett, lay a purple velvett cushion, fringed and tasseled with gold, and upon the same a close crowne of gold sett with stones; after the body was thus placed, and every mourner according to their degree, the sermon was begun by the Bishop of Lincolne, after which certain anthems were sung by the quire, and the offering began very solemnly as followeth:—

#### THE OFFERING.

First, the cheif mourner offered for the Queen, attended upon by all ladyes.  
 The coate, sword, targe, and helme was severally carried up by the two Earls of Rutland and Lincolne, one after another, and received by the Bishop of Peterborough, and Mr. Garter King at Armes.  
 The standard alone.  
 The great banner alone.  
 The Lady Cheife Mourner alone.  
 The trayne-bearer alone.  
 The two Earles together.

The Lord Steward.

The Lord Chamberlaine.

The Bishop of Lincolne alone.

The four Lords, assistants to the body.

The Treasurer, Comptroller, and Vice-Chamberlaine.

The four Knights that bore the canopye.

In which offering every course was led up by a herald for the more order; after which the two Byshops, and the Deane of Peterborough came to the vault, and over the body began to read the funerall service, which being said, every officer broke his staff over his head, and threw the same into the vault to the body; and so every one departed, as they came, after their degrees, to the Bishop's pallace, where was prepared a most royal feast, and a dole given unto the poore.

End of proceedings to the funerall of Mary Queen of Scotts,  
anno 1587.