

Some boats arrived from the shore: a Genoese boatman unluckily seized hold of the poor Money-penny held, which occasioned him to quit his hold: He instantly went down, and has never since been heard of, universally lamented by the garrison in general, and the 68th in particular. The others were safely brought on shore.

Died, lately in a very advanced age, at his house of Barras, in Scotland, Sir William Ogilvie, Bart. He was the descendant of Sir George Ogilvie, who in the civil war of last century defended the castle of Dunnotar against the army of the Commonwealth, until he found means to convey out of that fortress the regalia of Scotland, which he preserved in safety, and delivered up at the Restoration in 1660.

Monday 96 convicts, whose time is out on board the hulks at Woolwich, were discharged; every one had a new jacket, a waistcoat, a pair of breeches, shoes, and stockings given him, with three guineas for support till such time as they can get into employ.

#### DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.

*Halifax, Feb. 23.*

**T**HE following very melancholy accident happened on Friday last:—Thomas Frazer, John Wright, Michael Ott, Mrs. M'Pherson, and a boy about 9 years of age, who were settlers on Mr. M'Nab's Island, having been to town to market, set off on their return to the Island about half past four o'clock in the afternoon. They first stretched away for the Eastern Battery, intending when they reached it to bear away to the northernmost end of the Island, where they resided; but meeting with a great quantity of floating ice, they were so much hindered by it, as that night came on before they were able to reach the Island. There being a heavy snow-storm, and the night exceedingly dark, they got quite bewildered, and knew not where they were. After driving about for some time, and having shipped much water, they tried to reach bottom with an oar, and found to their great joy they were in shoal water. They soon after got the boat so far in among the ice, as that Frazer, Ott, Mrs. M'Pherson, and the boy, got on shore. Wright, who was almost overcome with the cold, and who had a lame arm, was left in the boat. The boy ran towards the nearest house, and Frazer followed him for fear he would lose his way. The woman, ex-

ceedingly benumbed with the cold and unable to move, lay helpless on the beach. Ott, who was also much overcome with the cold, ran a number of times backwards and forwards on the beach, in order to heat himself; and after being a little recovered, he resolutely ventured forward on the ice, to rescue Wright, whom they had left in a helpless situation in the boat. It is supposed, that the heavy swell and the cakes of floating ice, had drifted the boat from the place where they had left her, by which means Ott missed her and, going too far, fell in and was unfortunately drowned. Mrs. M'Pherson, as she lay on the beach, heard him cry out two or three times; but no assistance was near to relieve this unfortunate man, who had generously risked his life to save his companion.—Frazer alarmed the neighbours as soon as he could, who came down and took care of Mrs. M'Pherson, who was almost perished, but is since recovered. The boat having drifted so far from where they had left her, they could render Wright, who was in her, no assistance; and though they continued hallooing to him for some time, they received no answer. The boat was found next morning, drifted into the cove among the ice. Wright's body was found in her, he having perished by the cold.

The bodies of these unfortunate men were brought to town, and the Coroner's Inquest sat on them on Monday, after which they were buried.

#### MARRIED,

*Feb. 8.* Mr. Peter M'Nab, jun. to Miss Joanna Culliton.

#### DIED,

*Feb. 2.* Winckworth Tonge, Esq; aged 64, Naval-Officer of the Province. This Gentleman has, for many years, been a Member of the House of Assembly, Colonel of Militia, and Custos Rotulorum for the County of Hants; and he has, during his long residence in the Province, filled a variety of offices in the civil and military department, with great reputation and propriety.

5. Mrs. Anne Sellock, aged 55.
7. Mrs. Jane Strachan, aged 34.
12. Mrs. Christiana Lynch, aged 31, wife of Mr. Peter Lynch.
22. Mrs. Rebecca Elliot, aged 79.
23. Mr. Thomas Collicut, aged 29.
25. Mr. Thomas Prickard, Master of his Majesty's Ship Penelope.
29. The Honorable Arthur Gould, one of his Majesty's Council for this Province, in the 65th year of his age.