

mined without a Decree of the General Council of all the Chiefs, or States, of that Tribe.

Petty Quarrels are ended here upon the Spot, as they are in several civiliz'd Countries: The Parties go to Loggerheads together for a while, after which they separate without much Harm done on either Side. But the Husbands are quite Savages to their Wives, and in a Passion tear them about most barbarously; nor will they bear the least Controul in this, which, if offered by a By-stander, they cry, *I am Master of my own House, and will beat my Dog whenever I please.*

If the Wife is at any Time caughted going astray, the Adultery often costs her her Life. The Girls are in general very shy, and won't suffer any Toying or Dalliance; but if one of them happens now and then to make a Slip, in a private Manner, the Affair is hushed up in the Family, till such Time as she grows notorious, and becomes a common Strumpet; in which Case she is turned out of Doors.

They are very fond of Children, and at the Birth of a Boy they have their *groaning* Feast, which is a very merry Time. They also regale a second Time at the Cutting of his first Tooth; and make a third grand Entertainment

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