

## GREAT BRITAIN.

GLASGOW, June 3.

DEATH OF THE DUKE OF GORDON.—We regret to state that the Duke of Gordon, after passing a night of great suffering from excessive weakness, though not from acute pain, breathed his last at about a quarter before ten this morning, (Saturday) at his house in Belgrave square, London. His grace having died without issue, the title is extinct. The Earl of Aboyne, born June 28, 1761, the next of kin, succeeds to the title of Marquis of Huntly. Gordon Castle and £30,000 a year, go to Lord George Lennox, next brother to the Duke of Richmond, and grandson to Alexander, fourth Duke of Gordon. The Duke of Gordon sat in the Peers as Earl of Norwich. He was born February 1, 1770; succeeded his father, fourth Duke, January 17, 1827; married December 11, 1813, Elizabeth, daughter of Alexander Brodie, Esq. His Grace was General in the Army, and appointed to the Colonelcy of the third Foot guards on the death of the Duke of Gloucester. He was Keeper of the Great Seal of Scotland, Governor of Edinburgh Castle, Hereditary Keeper of the Castle of Inverness, Lord Lieutenant of Aberdeen, and Chancellor of Marischal College. He was brother to the Dowager Duchess of Richmond, to the Marchioness Cornwallis, and to the Duchess of Bedford; Brother-in-law to the Duke of Manchester; uncle to the Marchioness of Tweeddale, to Viscount Mandeville, M. P., to the Lady of J. H. Calcraft, Esq., M. P., to Baroness Braybrooke, to the Lady of Lord Eliot, and to the Lady of C. Ross, Esquire, M. P. His Grace's sisters are co-heirs presumptive to the Baronies of Beauchamp and Mordaunt. Many noble families will be put in mourning by this melancholy intelligence. In the north of Scotland his Grace had endeared himself by his kindness and philanthropy. The convivial powers of this chivalrous Peer were well known and appreciated, and he was wont to keep the table in a roar by his unceasing flow of humour. By his death a Grand Cross of the Bath has become vacant. His Grace's military career commenced in the 25th foot, in which he obtained an Ensigny in 1790; in 1792 he was Captain in the 3d Guards, the regiment which he has commanded for the last two years. He served with that regiment in Holland in 1793; and having the next year raised the 100th Foot, afterwards the 92d, he went with it to Gibraltar. He served as Brigadier General in Ireland during the rebellion, and in 1798, again embarked for Holland. In 1801, he was appointed Major General; in 1803, he was on the staff in North Britain, where he served three years; and in the Walcheren expedition, in 1809, he commanded a division of the army. Before he got the 3d Fusileer Guards he was Colonel of the 42d foot. The Duke, though no orator, was an excellent companion, and seems to have inherited much of his celebrated mother's lively talents, (daughter of Sir William Maxwell of Monreith, Bart.) whose piquant sallies of wit and humour were at one time proverbial. As a chairman he excelled, and frequently by the force of a few words spoken in season, produced effects far surpassing the most studied oratory. In Politics he was a staunch Tory, and as true to his principles as a man can well be. It is understood that the Earl of Errol, whose residence is in Aberdeenshire, and who is one of the oldest of the Scotch Peers, will succeed the Duke of Gordon as Lord Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire. Lord Lynedoch will, it is reported, have the command of the 3d guards. The governorship of Edinburgh Castle is not to be filled up.

(From the Aberdeen Journal.)—In this and

of my countrymen in their rambles through Prussia, meet with an old soldier who has fought at Waterloo, they will be certain of a most cordial welcome.—*Sketches of Germany.*

The *Malta Gazette* quotes letters from the Euphrates expedition dated the 20th of March, mentioning that the two steamers after considerable difficulty had at last got aloft, manned and equipped without loss or injury to the machinery. The larger one, the Euphrates, had made a trip, up a rapid, to Bir, and there saluted the Grand Sultan's authority with 21 guns, to the astonishment of the native population. The Tigris was detained for some stores lately carried to Syria by his Majesty's sloop Columbine, but it was expected that in a day or two Colonel Chesney, with both the steamers, would commence his course down the river.

A Brussels journal says, "We may now go to Antwerp in one hour. Shortly we shall be able to reach Paris in six hours, Berlin in 16, and St Petersburg in 60. If it were possible to make a journey round the world on a continuous railroad, it would be accomplished in six weeks."

VIENNA, May 26.

News has been received to-day that the Ferdinand I, steam-boat, Capt. Jno. T. Everson (an Englishman), the first of those belonging to the Austrian Danube Steam Navigation Company, having left Constantinople on the 7th of this month, had safely arrived at Galacz on the 10th, at three in the afternoon, and was to set out on the 12th in the morning, to return to Constantinople. It will now perform the voyage between the two places regularly twice a month, and thus complete a direct intercourse between Presburg and Constantinople. It performed its voyage in 64 hours, having stopped for a few hours at Verona and Sulina, at the mouth of the Danube, where the captain was treated with the greatest civility and kindness by the Russian authorities.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 11.

The fleet under Tahir Pacha sailed as soon as the marriage fetes were over, but its destination (though supposed to be Tripoli) is not known. That something extraordinary is in contemplation seems to be certain from the activity that prevails in the road of Malta. What is intended, and against whom the extraordinary armaments of England and France are designed is an enigma; for here all is tranquil, and no more apprehensions are felt from Mehemet Ali than a few months ago. The payments to Russia are made so regularly that, if we were not convinced to the contrary, it might be supposed that the Turkish treasury was well filled. Unhappily it is not so, and the pecuniary distress daily increases.

A letter from Leghorn of the 5th May states that the arrival of Don Miguel there had been mentioned the day before. A Sardinian vessel, it is said, but not believed, had been freighted and armed on his account, and was to transport him to Catalonia, where the operations of civil war were expected to revive. The pretender often announces himself, it is observed, and has good cause for giving false information as to his journeys; for he never quits a residence without having a crowd of creditors, who pay very little respect to his royal person, but take him before a magistrate to settle his account. There was a great arrival of vessels from all nations at Leghorn, and business was prosperous.—*Calignani.*

The Spanish Cortes are dissolved. This important measure took place on the 23d inst. Up to the morning of the 23d, no address had been sent to the electoral juntas, and great doubts existed in the public mind in Madrid as to whether an election of Deputies would take place for some months longer.

the adjoining counties, where the lamented Duke was so long and so justly endeared to all, by his many estimable qualities, his lamented death cannot be otherwise regarded than as a public calamity. In the various relations, whether of public or private life, he nobly sustained the true dignity of his illustrious rank. His powerful influence in this quarter was acquired and maintained, not more by virtue of his commanding station, than in consequence of the universally prevailing opinion, that the whole of his conduct was directed by sincere and high-minded attachment to principle; while the noble urbanity of his character, his frank and chivalrous bearing and popular manners, secured him the esteem even of those who most differed from him on points of public interest. As a kind and generous landlord, he worthily filled the place of his noble father. While he was at once the ornament and delight of the highest circles, and even honoured with the confiding friendship of Royalty itself, he was affable and indulgent to the humblest classes. His former residence in this city, must still be associated in the minds of many with the recollection of numerous instances of his kind condescension and boundless benevolence, which yet render the cherished name of the "Marquis of Huntly" familiarly dear as "Household words." The social qualities of his Grace—his consummate tact—his fascinating manners—and genuine humour, rendered him the life and soul of every festive meeting at which he presided; and enhanced as these qualities were by the advantages of a fine intelligent countenance, and handsome presence, on which was stamped the impress of native nobility—the charm of his society spread with electrifying effect on all around him.

GLASGOW, June 3.

In the House of Commons on Monday, the petition brought forward by Mr O'Connell against the sitting Members for Dublin was withdrawn, both the Speaker and the Attorney General being of opinion that, according to Parliamentary usage, it could not be received.

Mr G. Price also withdrew his motion for the expunging from the records of the House Mr O'Connell's notice relative to a reform of the House of Lords, but expressed, at the same time, his determination not to loose sight of the question, as it was given up at present merely on account of an error in form. Mr O'Connell intimated his intention to persevere in the course of which he had given notice; and Lord John Russell stated that he would oppose the motion of the Honorable and Learned Member for Kilkenny, at whatever period he brought it forward.—*Herald.*

PORTSMOUTH, June 4.

The Stakesby and Catharine Stewart Forbes transports are ordered to bring home the Rifle Brigade from Halifax; and the Maitland, Lieut. Binstead, to carry the Royals from Cork to Quebec, and bring home the 79th Highlanders. In the case of both these regiments how advantageous it would be to the country to allow all such men as desired it to remain in those colonies; a large portion are married and have families, and they themselves would form the nucleus of a most valuable militia force, continually increased by settlers from other regiments that may be ordered home also; there is no difficulty in finding recruits; in fact, it would be a very improved system of emigration.—*Hampshire Telegraph.*

LONDON, June 6.

Lord John Russell has addressed circular notes to the members of the House of Commons who generally support the administration, requesting their attendance on Tuesday next, at one o'clock at the Foreign office,