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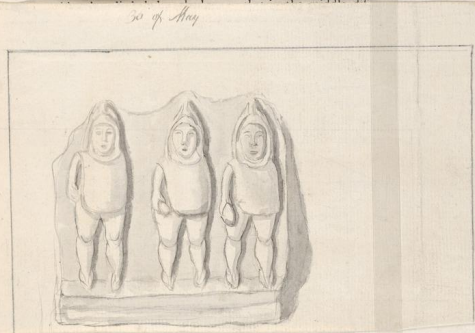
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A T O U R

CASTLE.

daughter of Andrew Murray, son to King David Bruce, with whom he got the lordship of Botswell.

The castle, now in ruins, is beautifully seated on the banks of the Clyde: tradition and history are silent about the founder. It is said to have been a principal residence of the Douglases; and while Edward I. was in possession of Scotland, was the chief station of his governor; and after the battle of Bannock-burn, was the prison of some of the English nobility taken in that fatal field. Major says, that in 1337 it was taken by the partizans of David Bruce, and levelled to the ground. That seems a favorite phrase of the historian; for to me it appears to be in the same state with that of Caerlevesce, and was only dismantled; for in both, some of the remaining towers have all the marks of the early style of building.

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Blantyre

GLASGOW.

On the South side of the Clyde, opposite to the castle, are the remains of Blantyre, a priory of canons regular, founded before the year 1296; mention being made in that year of Frere William Prior of Blantyre †.

The country from Botswell bridge is open, very fertile, composed of gentle risings, diversified with large plantations. Reach

GLASGOW, the best built of any second-rate city I ever saw: the houses of stone, and in general well built, and many in a good taste, plain and unaffected. The principal street runs East and West, is near a mile and a half long, but unfortunately not straight; yet the view from the cross, where the two other great streets fall into this, has an air of vast magnificence. The Tolbooth is large and handsome, with this apt motto on the front:

TOLBOOTH.

* P. 235. † Keith, 239.

* near the castle in the modern house built about 1690 by the young P. of Argyll who was slain at the battle of Dunblair. He was patronal with the late P. of Argyll who succeeded to the estate, the centre is too small being chiefly taken up with lobby & staircase. Mr B. of Douglas added the wings in which are the principal apartments. Mr Congle improved the place greatly.

I N S C O T L A N D .

Hæc domus edit, amat, punit, conservat, honorat, sequitiam, pacem, crimina, jura, probat.

Next to that is the exchange: within is a spacious room, with full-length portraits of all our monarchs since James I, and an excellent one, by Ramsay, of Archibald, Duke of Argyle, in his robes as Lord of Sessions. Before the exchange is a large equestrian statue of King William. This is the finest and broadest part of the street: many of the houses are built over arcades, but too narrow to be walked in with any conveniency. Numbers of other neat streets cross this at right angles.

The market-places are great ornaments to the city, the fronts being done in very fine taste, and the gates adorned with columns of one or other of the orders. Some of these markets are for meal, greens, fish or flesh: there are two for the last which have conduits of water out of several of the pillars, so that they are constantly kept sweet and neat. Before these buildings were constructed, most of those articles were sold in the public streets; and even after the market-places were built, the magistrates with great difficulty compelled the people to take advantage of such cleanly innovations.

MARKET-PLACES.

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Near the meal-market is the public granary, to be filled on any apprehension of scarcity.

The guard-house is in the great street; where the inhabitants mount guard, and regularly do duty. An excellent police is observed here; and proper officers attend the markets to prevent abuses.

The police of Glasgow consists of three bodies; the magistrates with the town-council, the merchants house, and the trades house.

POLICE.

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* I Archibald Earl of Argyll the hunter prerogative and took home the life of John Ruddell written in Dublin to the term of Tolbooth and no longer By God. Argyll J. D. D.