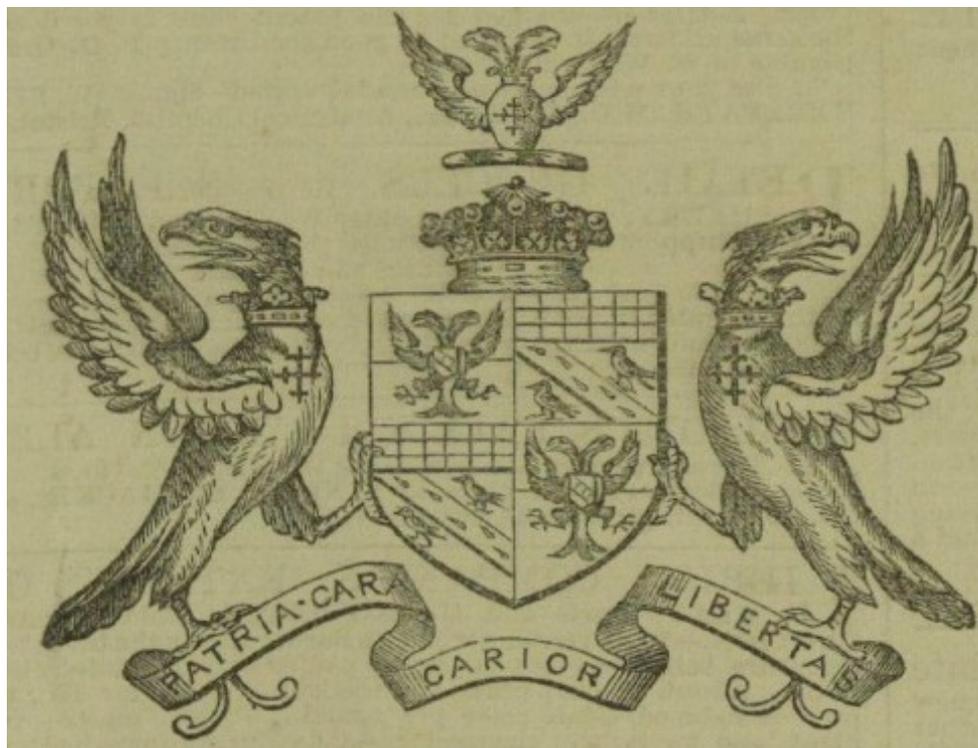


Obituary of The Earl of Radnor



The Right Hon. Sir William Pleydell-Bouverie, third Earl of Radnor, Viscount Folkestone, of Folkestone, in the county of Kent; Baron Longford, of Longford in the county of Wilts; Baron Pleydell-Bouverie of Coleshill, in the county of Berks and Baronet who died the 9th inst at his seat, Coleshill House, Highworth, was the eldest son of Jacob, second Earl of Radnor by his wife, the Hon. Anne Duncombe, daughter and coheir of Anthony, Lord Feversham. He was born May 11, 1779. He had been a member of the House of Commons, having represented Salisbury from 1802 to 1828 and was remarkable for his advanced Liberalism in politics. He voted for the Catholic Emancipation Bill in 1829 and the Reform Bill of 1831-2 in the House of Lords. He was High Steward of Salisbury, an honour held by several of his predecessors. After being one of the extreme politicians of the day, he had for the last fifteen or sixteen years entirely devoted himself to agricultural pursuits and to holding out encouragement to his poorer tenantry to improve their condition. His Lordship married first, Oct 2, 1801, Lady Catherine, only daughter of Henry, Earl of Lincoln and granddaughter of Henry, second Duke of Newcastle, by whom (who died May 17, 1804) he leaves a daughter, Lady Catherine, wife of General Edward Pery Buckley. His Lordship married secondly, May 24 1814, Anne Judith, third

daughter of Sir Henry Paulet St John-Mildmay, third Baronet of Moulsham hall, Essex, and by her (who died Apr 27, 1851) leaves two sons, Jacob, his successor and the Right Hon. Edward Pleydell-Bouverie, PC, MP for Kilmarnock and two daughters, Lady Jane Harriett, wife of William Ellice, Esq and Lady Mary, wife of Sir James Plaisted Wilde, Judge of the Divorce Court, now Baron Penzance. The Earl is succeeded by his elder son, the Hon. Jacob Pleydell-Bouverie, Viscount Folkestone, now fourth Earl of Radnor, who was born Sept 18, 1815 and married Oct 3, 1840 Lady Mary Augusta Frederica, third daughter of James Walter, first Earl of Verulam by whom he has eight sons and four daughters. This family of Bouverie is of ancient and honourable extraction in the low countries, in the annals of which the name frequently occurs. The first of its members however who settled in England was Laurence des Bouveries born in 1542, a native of Flanders who took up his abode at Canterbury in 1568. His great grandson, William Des Bouveries was created a Baronet, Feb 19 1714, Lord Longford, Baron of Longford and Viscount Folkestone. His son William, second Viscount was created Oct 29 1765, Baron Pleydell-Bouverie of Coleshill in the county of Berks and Earl of Radnor. He was grandfather of the nobleman just deceased.

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