



The Wailing Widow

At Stratton St. Margaret near Swindon on the 3rd ult. [February], died Mr. John Gay of that place. On Sunday the 12th, a funeral sermon was preached at the chapel which he had been in the habit of attending; his widow was present, and appeared not only deeply affected, but disconsolate; her sobs were audible to the whole congregation, and many thought if her grief continued to be so excessive, that, in all human probability, one grave would contain the twain before many days, or even hours, had passed over; but on Thursday, March 9th the bereaved Mrs. Gay threw aside her "widows weeds" put on wedding attire, and tripping to Swindon with Mr. Richard Fowler, was united to him in holy matrimony; and thus gaily got rid of the name of Gay.

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