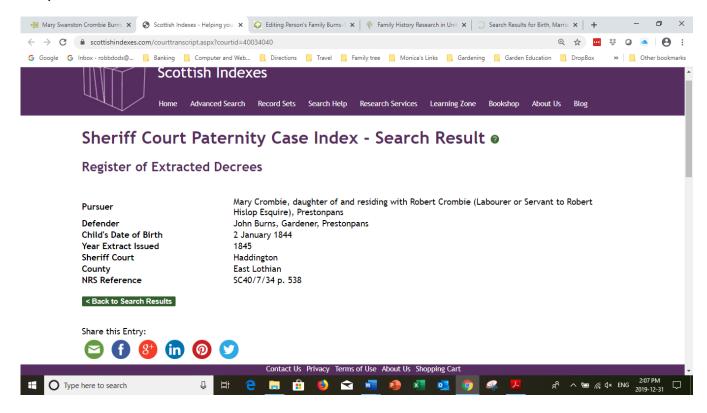
Mary Swanston Crombie



Mary Crombie, daughter of and residing with Robert Crombie(Labourer or servant to Robert Hislop Esquire) Prestonpans.

Sheriff Court paternity decrees

Single mothers often took the fathers of their children to court for child support. Such cases were known as filiation and aliment cases. The court could order the father to provide maintenance payments to the mother. If the mother won her case, the court would issue a decree, which would allow the mother to enforce payment of aliment.

http://www.prestoungrange.org/core-files/archive/university press/20 poverty/20 p01 p 26.pdf

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The other matters for consideration were the cases of two men whose illegitimate children had received some support from the session, and the session were seeking repayment through petitions to the sheriff. The men concerned were James Marr junior (fisherman) 'father of Elizabeth Simpson's child' and James Burns (labourer) 'father of Mary Crombie's illegitimate child'.12 Feb 1845

https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Burns-12377

Brewery

The business was established in about 1720 in a former whisky distillery in Prestonpans, Scotland. By 1744 the brewery was in the hands of Robert Fowler who was succeeded by his son, John Fowler. The site was extensively reconstructed in 1828. John Fowler died in 1839 and the management passed to his nephew, Robert Hislop, who remained the sole proprietor until the White family acquired the business in 1865.

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Hislop and Crombie family of Prestonpans