

nate or unfortunate; and all and every Person and Persons, who shall offend in any of the said Matters shall forfeit and pay treble the Sum and Sums of Money which shall have been received by such Person and Persons contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, in which no Effoin, Protection, Privilege or Wager of Law, or more than one Imparance shall be allowed; one Moiety whereof to be for the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, and the other Moiety to be paid to the Person or Persons who shall sue for the same; and every such Sale, Wager or Contract, and every Agreement relating thereto, shall be, and is hereby declared null and void."

"And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that if any Person or Persons shall keep any Office or Offices, or shall print or publish any Scheme or Proposal for receiving any Sum or Sums of Money, in Consideration of any Interest to be granted for the same, in any Ticket or Tickets in the said Lottery, whereof such Person or Persons shall not then be actually possessed, or in Consideration of any Sum or Sums of Money to be repayed, in case any Ticket or Number of Tickets in the said Lottery, which shall not be in the actual Possession of such Person or Persons, shall prove fortunate or unfortunate; all and every such Person and Persons shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, in which no Effoin, Protection, Wager of Law, or more than one Imparance shall be allowed; one Moiety whereof to be for the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, and the other Moiety to be paid to the Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, and also shall suffer three Months Imprisonment without Bail or Mainprize.

By Order of the Managers and Directors,
Samuel Wilfon.

Admiralty Office, September 25, 1770.

My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are hereby pleased to give Notice, That Directions have been sent to the Lieutenants who are employed on or about the River Thames in procuring Men for His Majesty's Ships which are fitting out, not to impress the Masters of any small Boats, commonly called Peter Boats, employed on the said River in catching Fish for the Supply of the City of London, provided the said Persons are actually Masters of the said Boats and not Seamen.

Ph. Stephens.

Admiralty-Office, August 7, 1770.

Whereas, about Four o'Clock in the Morning of Friday the 27th Day of July last, a dreadful Fire broke out in His Majesty's Dock Yard at Portsmouth, which raged with such Violence, that before the same could be extinguished, several of His Majesty's Storehouses and Buildings were burnt down, and great Quantities of Naval Stores totally consumed and destroyed, and others greatly damaged; And whereas there is Reason to suspect that the said Buildings and Stores were wilfully and maliciously set on Fire, by some evil-disposed Persons, at present unknown: In order therefore to discover, and bring to Justice, the Persons guilty of the abovesaid Offence, My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are pleased to promise a Reward of ONE THOUSAND POUNDS unto, or amongst, such Person, or Persons,

as shall, within Three Months from this Time, discover any of the Offenders guilty of the said Offence, so as such Offenders, or any one or more of them, shall be apprehended and duly convicted thereof; the said Reward to be paid clear of all Deductions whatsoever, by the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, immediately after the Conviction of such Offender or Offenders.

And, as a further Encouragement, His Majesty is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any of the said Offenders, (except the Person who actually set the Premises on Fire) who shall discover any one or more of his or their Accomplices in the said Offence, so as he or they shall be apprehended and prosecuted to Conviction.

Ph. Stephens.

General Post-Office, August 24, 1770.

This Morning, about a Quarter before Four o'Clock, the Post-Boy, carrying the Chester Mail from this Office, was attacked and robbed at the Foot of Highgate Hill, by a single Highwayman, who took out of the Cart a small Mail ticketed Chester B. B. containing the following Bags of Letters, viz.

Barnet, St. Albans, Dunstable, Fenny Stratford, Stony Stratford, Daventry, Rugby, Luton, Luton, Towcester, Amptill, and Bedford.

The Person who committed this Robbery is described to be a tall thin Man, about Five Feet Nine Inches high, dressed in a light coloured close-bodied Coat, dark Waistcoat, white Breeches, Boots and Spurs, a round Hat turned up only behind, and well mounted on a black Horse, about fourteen Hands and an Half high, with two white Feet before, and a cut Tail.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, over and above the Reward by Act of Parliament for apprehending Highwaymen: Or, if any Person, whether an Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby the Person who committed the same may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Person who committed this Robbery, be intitled to the said Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, and will also receive His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Postmaster General,
Anth. Todd, Secretary.

General Post-Office, Aug. 19, 1770.

This Morning, about Four o'Clock, the Post-Boy, carrying the Chester Mail from this Office, was attacked and robbed near the Six Mile Stone on Finchley Common, by a single Highwayman, who took out of the said Mail two Bags of Letters, ticketed Colehill and Irish.

The Person, who committed this Robbery, is described to be rather a thin Man, about five Feet six Inches high, dressed in a dark brown close-bodied Coat, and well mounted on a very light Bay Gelding, about Fifteen Hands high, with a cut Tail.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed the said Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, over and above the Reward by Act of Parliament for apprehending Highwaymen: Or if any Person, whether an Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby the Person who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer