

Admiralty Office, October 5, 1771.

Notice is hereby given, That a Session of Oyer and Terminer and Goal-Delivery, for the Trial of Offences committed on the High Seas within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, will be held on Thursday the 7th Day of November next, at Justice Hall in the Old Bailey, at Eight o'Clock in the Morning.

Ph. Stephens.

Navy-Office, October 18, 1771.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury having appointed Money for paying Half-Pay to Sea Officers, from the 1st of January, to the 30th of June, 1771, according to His Majesty's Establishment in that Behalf; These are to give Notice, that the said Payment will begin to be made at the Office of the Treasurer of the Navy in Broad-Street, on Monday and Tuesday the 5th and 6th of next Month, at Ten o'Clock in the Morning; viz. To Captains and their Attorneys, and other Officers appearing themselves, on the Monday; and to Attorneys of Lieutenants, Masters and Surgeons, on the Tuesday, (after which the Lists will be recalled once a Month) that all Persons may then and there attend to receive what may become payable unto them, and not only bring with them the Affidavit required touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any Publick Employment, either at Sea or on Shore, during the Time they are to be paid their Half-Pay; but also produce Certificates that they have subscribed to the Test, and taken the Oaths required by Act of Parliament to His present Majesty; and in Case any of the said Sea Officers shall not be able to attend themselves to receive their Money, but employ Attorneys for that Purpose, that the said Attorneys may produce the like Certificates and Affidavits from the Persons they are employed by.

Navy-Office, October 19, 1771.

The Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, that all Bills registered on the Course of the Navy for the Months of November and December 1770, and January and February 1771, are ordered to be paid in Money; that such Persons as are possessed thereof may bring them to this Office, to be assigned on the Treasurer of the Navy for Payment.

Victualling-Office, October 19, 1771.

The Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that there is Money in the Hands of the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy to pay Interest and Non-Interest Bills registered on the Course of the Victualling in the Months of November and December 1770, and January and February 1771, in order that the Persons possessed of the said Bills may bring them to this Office, to be assigned for Payment.

Hospital for the Maintenance and Education of Exposed and Deserted Young Children,

October 2, 1771.

Notice is hereby given, That a General Court of the Corporation of the Governors and Guardians of this Hospital, will be held at the said Hospital (by Adjournment) on Wednesday the 30th of this Month, at Eleven o'Clock in the Morning; when all the said Governors and Guardians are desired to be present.

T. Collingwood, Secretary.

Goldsmiths-Hall, London, March 22, 1770.

WHEREAS the Company of Goldsmiths in London are entitled to divers Privileges for the searching, assaying, supervising, marking, and regulating Wrought Plate, in order to ascertain the Standard thereof, for the Good and Safety of the Public; and have lately prosecuted and convicted divers Persons for Frauds in the said Trade: There-

fore they have directed public Notice to be given, that they are resolved to prosecute every Person that shall be detected in making or selling any Gold or Silver Wares less in Fineness than the respective Standards by Law appointed.

By Order of the Court of Assisants of the said Company,
GEORGE FAIR, Clerk.

N. B. The following Extracts from the Acts of Parliament for preventing Frauds in Gold and Silver Wares, and preserving the Standards appointed for Wrought Plate, are printed for the Information of the Public.

Stat. 28th Ed. I. Chap. 20. Ordains, That no Goldsmith shall make any Vessel, Jewel, or other Thing of Gold or Silver, but of true Allay, viz. Gold not worse than the Touch of Paris, and Silver of the Sterling Allay, or better, and that none shall work worse Silver than Money; and that no Vessel of Silver shall depart out of the Hands of the Workers, until it be assayed by the Wardens of the Craft, and marked with the Leopard's-Head; and if any Goldsmith be attained that he hath done otherwise, he shall be punished by Imprisonment, and Ransom, at the King's Pleasure.

Stat. 18th Eliz. Chap. 15. Enacts, That no Goldsmith shall Work, Sell, or Exchange, or cause to be Wrought, Sold, or Exchanged, any Wares of Gold less in Fineness than Twenty-two Carraets, nor any Wares of Silver less in Fineness than 11 Ounces 2 Penny Weights; nor put to Sale, Exchange, or Sell any Plate, or Goldsmiths Work of Silver, before he hath set his Mark thereto, upon Pain to forfeit the Value of the Thing so sold or exchanged.

Stat. 6th Geo. I. Chap. 11. Enacts, That no Person shall Work any Manufacture of Silver less in Fineness than 11 Ounces 2 Penny Weights, or put to Sale or Exchange the same till touched, assayed, and marked, under the Penalties prescribed by the Laws in Being.

Stat. 12th Geo. II. Chap. 26. Recites, That the Company of Goldsmiths of the City of London have been a Corporation Time out of Mind, with divers Privileges, confirmed and enlarged by several Charters, for the searching, assaying, supervising, marking, and regulating Wrought Plate, in order to ascertain the Standard thereof, for the Good and Safety of the Public.

SECT. 1st, Enacts, that no Person making, trading, or dealing in Gold or Silver Wares, shall make, or cause to be made, any Manufacture of Gold less in Fineness than 22 Carraets of fine Gold, per Pound Troy; nor any Manufacture of Silver less in Fineness than 11 Ounces 2 Penny-weights of fine Silver, per Pound Troy; nor shall sell, exchange, expose to Sale, or export any Manufacture of Gold or Silver of less Fineness, upon Pain, for every such Offence, to forfeit Ten Pounds; and for Default of Payment, to be committed to the House of Correction, and kept to hard Labour, for any Time not exceeding Six Months, or until Payment.

SECT. 5th, Enacts, That no Person, making, selling, trading, or dealing in Gold or Silver Wares, shall Sell, Exchange, expose to Sale, or export any Manufacture of Gold or Silver, until marked with the Maker's and the Company's Marks, upon Pain, for every such Offence, to forfeit Ten Pounds; or be committed.

SECT. 21st, Enacts, That every Person who shall make, or cause to be made, any Manufacture of Gold or Silver, shall first enter his Mark, Name, and Place of Abode, in the Assay-Office, upon Pain to forfeit Ten Pounds, and Ten Pounds more for using any other Mark, or be committed.

SECT. 22d, Enacts, That the said Penalties and Forfeitures shall be recovered, with full Costs of Suit, in any Court of Record at Westminster; and that the Defendants shall put in special Bail: And that one Moiety of the said Penalties shall go to His Majesty, and the other Moiety to the Person who shall sue for the same.

Stat. 31st Geo. II. Chap. 32d, Enacts, That if any Person shall forge, or cause to be forged, any Stamp, used for marking Gold or Silver Plate, by the Goldsmiths Company, or by any Maker of Gold or Silver Plate; or shall cast, forge, or counterfeit, or cause to be cast, forged, or counterfeited, any Impression, in Imitation of any Mark made with any Stamp used as aforesaid; or shall mark, or cause to be marked, any Wrought Plate of Gold or Silver, or any Wares of Brass or other base Metal, silvered or gilt over, and resembling Plate of Gold or Silver, with any Mark, forged, or counterfeited, in Imitation of any Mark used as aforesaid; or shall remove, or cause to be removed, from one Piece of Wrought Plate to another, or to any Vessel of such base Metal, any Mark, made with any Stamp used as aforesaid; or shall Sell, Exchange, expose to Sale, or Export any Wrought Plate of Gold or Silver, or any Vessel of such base Metal as aforesaid, with any such forged, or counterfeit, or removed Mark thereon, knowing such Mark to be forged, counterfeited, or removed; or shall wilfully have, or be possessed of any forged or counterfeited Mark or Stamp; every Person, offending in any of the Cases aforesaid,