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Dublin Castle, December 25, 1773.

THIS Day his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant went in State to the House of Peers with the usual Solemnity, and, the Commons being sent for, gave the Royal Assent to the following Bills:

An Act intitled, An Act for granting unto His Majesty an additional Duty on Beer, Ale, Strong Waters, Wine, Tobacco, Hides, and other Goods and Merchandizes therein mentioned; and for prohibiting the Importation of all Gold and Silver Lace, and of all Cambricks and Lawns, except of the Manufacture of Great Britain.

An Act for granting unto His Majesty the several Duties, Rates, Impositions, and Taxes, therein particularly expressed, to be applied to pay an Interest, at the Rate of Four per Cent. per Annum, for such Part of the several Principal Sums formerly borrowed, as shall remain unpaid on the 25th of December, 1773; and to apply the Surplus of the said Duties in such Manner, and for such Purposes, as shall be directed by Parliament.

An Act for granting to His Majesty an additional Duty upon the several Goods and Merchandizes therein mentioned.

An Act to repeal an Act, intituled An Act for the more effectual punishing wicked and disorderly Persons, who have committed or shall commit Violencies and do Injuries to the Persons or Properties of any of His Majesty's Subjects in the Counties of Antrim, Down, Armagh, City and County of Londonderry, and County of Tyrone, or any of them, or who shall deliver or publish threatening Letters, or who resist or oppose the levying the Public Taxes in the said Counties, or any of them; and for the more effectual bringing to Justice certain Offenders therein mentioned.

Madrid, December 13. A few Days ago we received the melancholy Account of the Destruction of the Town of Guatimala by an Earthquake. The Earthquakes have generally been felt there every Spring and Autumn, but the first Shocks of this did not come on till June, the frequent Reiterations of which alarmed the Inhabitants so, that they removed themselves and their Effects in Time; the publick Edifices, Churches, Convents, &c. could not withstand the Violence of these repeated Shocks; however, there have not been many Lives lost, though the Damage is otherwise very considerable.

It is said, that his Catholick Majesty, upon this Occasion, has declared his Intention, that

the old Situation should be abandoned, and a new Town built at the Distance of about eight Leagues.

General Post Office, January 3, 1774.

THE Post-boy who was robbed of the Mail from London, of the 21st of December, was again robbed at Eleven o'Clock on Friday Night last, near Casterton, two Miles North of Stamford; of the Mail of Thursday Night, from this Office, by the same Person, as he verily believes, who robbed him before, and who opened the following Bags, viz. Lincoln, Hull, Grantham, Newcastle, Belford, Morpeth, Alnwick, Berwick, and the Bye Bag, with the Letters from Caxton, for the North, and took something out of one of them, but he does not know which, and then put the Mail upon the Cart, not suffering the Boy to alight.

The Person is now described to be middle-aged, rather more than Five Feet high, of a pale Complexion, weak Voice, dark short brown or black Hair, rather bulky, was dressed in a blue Great Coat, with two Rows of white Buttons, had on a round bound Hat, with a black Crape round it, and dirty Leather Breeches.

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 given by Act of Parliament for apprehending Highwaymen; or if any Person, whether an Accomplice in the 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 Party, be intitled to the same Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, and will also receive His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Post-Master General,
Anth. Todd, Secretary.

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich,
September 25, 1773.

THE Commissioners of the said Royal Hospital do hereby give Notice, That, at Salters-Hall in London, on Wednesday the 26th Day of January next, or as soon after as may be, the following Estates will be lett upon Lease, to commence upon the Twelfth Day of May following, viz.

In NORTHUMBERLAND.

Greymare Colliery and Mount Royal Estate, now in the Tenure or Occupation of William Leighton.

[Price Three-Pence.]

