

other Persons, shall make their several Charges, at and after the known and usual Rates, upon their Client or Employer, by the Number of Skins they shall so ingross or write, and not otherwise; and that if any Attorney, Solicitor, or other Person, shall, for the writing or ingrossing One Skin of Parchment only, charge any Client or Employer for Double or Treble Skins, or for more than One Skin, making his Charge by the Sheet, or in any other Manner than by the Skin, under Pretence of having inserted in such One Skin of Parchment a greater Number of Sheets than what they are obliged to do, or than what is usually done, or under any Pretence whatsoever, such Charge shall not be payable by the Client; and further, that every Attorney, Solicitor, or other Person, shall, for every such Charge so made or demanded, forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Pounds, with Treble Costs of Suit, to any Person or Persons who shall inform or sue for the same, in any Court of Record, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed. Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to the Charge to be made for the engrossing any Deed, the whole Contents of which shall not amount to the Quantity or Number of Sheets to be contained in Two Skins, reckoning the Quantity in each Skin according to the Number of the Sheets above specified.

By Order of the Commissioners,
C. E. Beresford, pro Secretary.

Stamp-Office, June 21, 1779.

HIS Majesty's Commissioners for Managing the Stamp-Duties do hereby give Notice, That every Postmaster, &c. who is to be licensed in Pursuance of an Act for granting several Duties on Post-Horses, &c. is required by the said Act, to cause the Words Licensed to let Horses, to be painted or written in legible Characters, either on a Sign hung out, or in some visible Place in the Front of his House, Stables or Out-Offices, at the respective Places at which he lets out Horses, to denote that such Postmasters, &c. is a Letter of Post-Horses, and authorized to furnish Travellers with the same; and, in Default of such Token, to forfeit 5 l. for every Offence.

They do also give Notice, That every Postmaster, &c. to be licensed as aforesaid, is required, if he furnishes his own Chaises, or other Carriages, with Horses to travel Post, to mark or paint upon some conspicuous Part of his Chaises, &c. his Christian and Surname, and the Name of the City, &c. of his Abode, in legible Characters, and to continue the same thereon so long as such Chaises or Carriages shall be so used: And, in Default thereof, he is subject to a Penalty of 5 l. for every Offence.

And they do likewise give Notice to every Person who shall keep any four-wheel'd Chaise, or other Machine called a Diligence, or Post-Coach, used as mentioned in the said Act, to be licensed as aforesaid, that he is required to mark or paint on the Outside of each Door of every such Carriage, his Christian and Surname, mentioning the Place from whence they set out, and to which they are going, in plain and legible Characters.

By Order of the Commissioners,
C. E. Beresford, pro Secretary.

General Post Office, February 22, 1779.

THE Post Boy, carrying the Mail which was dispatched from this Office last Friday Night, was robbed by two Footpads, with Curses over their Faces,

on Saturday Night at Ten o'Clock, at the Bottom of Hack Lane near Long Compton, between Enstone and Shipstone in Oxfordshire, of the whole Mail, containing the following Bags, viz. Warwick, Stratford on Avon, Shipston on Stour, Ledbury, Hereford, Bromsgrove, Worcester, Stone, Newcastle under Line, Macclesfield, Middlewich, Holms Chaple, Knutsford, Manchester, Stockport, Liverpool, War-rington, Wigan, Preston, Blackburn, Lancaster-Kendall, Wolverhampton, Shrewsbury, Bridgnorth, Stafford, Shiffnal, Namptwich, Cheller, Northop, Conway, St. Asaph, Bangor, Holyhead, and the Irish Mail.

The Persons, who committed this Robbery were small sized Men; but it being a dark foggy Night, the Boy cannot give any further Description of them.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, both or either of the Persons 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 of Highwaymen: Or, if any Person, whether an Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby both or either of the Persons who committed the same may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of both or either of the Parties, 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.

General Post-Office, June 18, 1779.

GEORGE Barris Woodcock, late one of the Clerks in the Inland Department of this Office, having been detected in secreting and embezzling Letters, has absconded. He is about 17 Years of Age, tall and slim, rather fair Complexion, and wears his own Hair, of a light-brown Colour, tied behind.

Whoever apprehends the said George Barris Woodcock, so that he may be brought to Justice, shall receive a Reward of FIFTY POUNDS.

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

East-India House, June 2, 1779.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 23d of June instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the Purpose of declaring a Dividend from Christmas last to Midsummer next; and to consider of altering, repealing, or suspending the 11th and 23d Bye-laws, in certain Cases.

Portsmouth, June 10, 1779.

WHereas, on the 2d Day of June instant, the Tender Charming Molly, belonging to Mr. Samuel Robinson, of Portsmouth Common, Merchant, took Fire off Gosport Beach, and has been very considerably damaged; and, in order to add to the Injury and Prejudice of the said Mr. Robinson, a Report has been maliciously and wickedly made to Admiral Sir Thomas Pye, the Commanding Officer at the Port of Portsmouth, that the said Samuel Robinson had insured his said Tender for Three Times her Value, and that the said Tender had been designedly set on Fire; Therefore the said Samuel Robinson, in Justice to himself, declares his said Tender was not in any Manner insured at the Time of the above Accident, and hereby, in this publick Manner, challenges any Broker or other Person to make known to the World the contrary.

And the said Samuel Robinson hereby offers a Reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS, to any Person or Persons who will discover and make Proof of the Author or Authors of the above infamous Report,

Sam Robinson.