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At the Court at *WHITEHALL*,
This 26th day of *March*, 1686.

Present,
The KING's Most Excellent Majesty,
And the
Lords of His Majesties Most Honourable
Privy Council.

Whereas it has been Represented to His Majesty, That by reason of the frequent Abuses of a lewd sort of People, called SPIRITS, in seducing many of His Majesties Subjects to go on Shipboard, where they have been seized, and carried by force to His Majesties Plantations in America, and that many in Persons who have Lifted themselves Voluntarily to be Transported thither, and have received money upon their Entering into Service for that purpose, have afterwards pretended they were betrayed, and carried away against their Wills, and procured their Friends to procure the Merchants who Transported them, or in whose Service they are, by Indictments, or Informations in the Crown Office in His Majesties Name, which is a great Disturbance to them, and an Hindrance to the Management of the Trade of the said Plantations, and Navigation of this Kingdom; And several Merchants and Planters having made humble Applications to His Majesty; That He would be Graciously pleased to direct such Methods for their retaining of Servants to serve in His Majesties Plantations, as in His Royal Wisdom He should think meet, whereby His Majesty may be so satisfied of their Fair Dealing, as to take off all Prosecutions against them at His Majesties Suit; And also that the Scandal that now lies upon them in general, by reason of such Evil-disposed Persons, may not remain upon such as shall for the future follow such Methods as His Majesty shall think fit to be pursued.

His Majesty taking into His Royal Consideration the said Request, is Graciously pleased to Declare, That such Merchants, Factors, Masters of Ships, or other Persons that shall use the Method hereafter following, in the Hiring of Servants for His Majesties Plantations, shall not be Diligently searched by any Suit on His Majesties behalf, but upon Certificate thereof, that He will cause all such Suits to be stopped, to the end they may receive no further molestation thereby.

I. Such Servants as are to be taken by Indenture, to be Executed by the Servant, in the presence of the Magistrate, or Magistrates hereafter appointed; One part thereof signed by such Servant, and also underwritten or endorsed with the Name and Hand-writing of such Magistrate, which is to remain with the Clerk of the Peace, to be returned to the next Sessions, there to be filed upon a distinct File, and numbered and kept with the Records.

II. The Clerk of the Peace is to keep a fair Book, wherein in the Name of the Person to be bound, and the Magistrates Name before whom the same was done, and the time and place of doing thereof, and the Number of Files shall be entered: And for the more ease finding the same, the Entries are to be made Alphabetically, according to the first Letter of the Surname.

III. All Persons above the Age of One and twenty years, or who shall, upon View and Examination, appear to be so in the Judgment of the Magistrate, may be bound in the presence of One Justice of the Peace, or of the Mayor, or chief Magistrate of the Place where they shall go on Shipboard, who is to be fully satisfied from him, of his free and voluntary Agreement, to enter into the said Service.

IV. If any Person be under the Age of One and Twenty years, or shall appear so to be, he shall be Bound in the presence of the Lord Mayor of London, or One of the Judges, or an Alderman of London, being a Justice of

Peace, or the Recorder, or Two Justices of the Peace of any other County, or Place, who shall carefully Examine whether the Person so to be bound, have any Parents or Masters; And if he be not Free, they are not to take such Indenture, unless the Parents, or Masters give their Consents, and some Person that knows the said Servant to be of the Name, and Addition mentioned in the Indenture, is to Attest his said knowledge upon the said Indenture.

V. If the Person be under the Age of Fourteen years, unless his Parents shall be present, and Consent, he is not to be carried on Shipboard, till a Fortnight at least, after he comes Bound, to the intent that if there be any Abuse, it may be discovered before he be Transported. And where his Parents do not appear before the Magistrate Notice is to be sent to them; or where they cannot be found, to the Churchwardens, or Overseers of the Parish where he was last Settled, in such manner as the said Magistrates shall think fit, and direct.

And because Clerks of the Peace may conceive this not to be any part of the Duty of their Office, and may therefore exact unreasonable Rewards for their trouble and pains therein, His Majesty doth Declare, That if any Merchants, or other Persons shall be aggrieved thereby, and upon Complaint to the Justices cannot obtain Relief, His Majesty will take such further care for their ease herein, as in His Royal Wisdom He shall think meet.

And His Majesties further Pleasure is, That this Order be Printed and Published, to the end all Persons whom it may concern, may take Notice thereof; and govern themselves accordingly.

W. BRIDGES. Act.

Venice, April 13. This morning arrived here an Expres, by the way of *Oranto*, from *Corsou*, with the News that Captain-General *Morosini*, upon advice that Eight thousand *Turks* were marching towards *Zarnatz*, sailed the 26th past with the Fleet from *Corsou*, and having landed his Troops as near as he could to the said place, attacked the *Turks* in the night, of whom 3000 were slain, 800 taken, with all their Baggage and Cannon, and the rest put to flight; of which you may expect a more particular Account in our next.

Vienna April 14. The last Letters from *Zolnocke* told us, that Lieutenant-General *de Mercy*, having advice that the *Ottoman* Forces on that side were separated, had sent the Troops he drew together to observe them back to their several Quarters. The last advices from the Camp before *Mongatz* say, the *Imperialists* had almost drained the great Ditch, and were going to fill it; that they had taken several Persons whom the Besieged were sending to Count *Teckelej*, and were informed by them, that the Bombs which had been shot into the place had done considerable execution, but that the Besieged continued notwithstanding firm in their Resolution not to hearken to any Treaty, being confident they shall be relieved. Several Persons of Quality are come hither with intention to pass the Campaign in *Hungary*; The Recruits raised in the Empire arrive daily; and a great many Boats pass continually down the *Danube* laden with Provisions and Ammunition, to fill the Magazines that are providing at *Raab*, *Somora*, and other places in *Hungary*. The *Imperial* Forces, we are told, will act this Summer.

mer in two Armies, the one commanded by the Elector of *Bavaria*, and the other by the Duke of *Lorraine*.

Vienna, April 18. The last Letters from the Camp before *Mongatz*, said, They had drawn all the water out of the Ditch of the *Palanque*; And that they were filling the said Ditch, and making their Galleries, and hoped to be ready in three or four days to give an Assault to the Lower Town; That they continued to throw a great many Bombs and Carcasses into the place, which put the Besieged into much disorder; And that they had taken a Jew, who endeavoured to escape out of the Town with Jewels to a very considerable value. The General Rendezvous of the Imperial Army is appointed to be on the 15th of the next Month; It's said the Prince of *Transylvania* will join his Forces with those of the Emperor against the *Turks*.

Elague, April 30. The *States General* have ratified the Instrument for the including the Elector of *Brandenburg* in the Treaty of Alliance lately renewed between the King of *Sweden* and this State. They write from *Cleves*, that the Landgrave of *Hesse-Cassel* was expected there in few days, and that from thence he would go to *Berlin*, to confer with the Elector of *Brandenburg* about the present Juncture of Affairs.

Brussels, April 30. Yesterday our Governor General went from hence for *Flanders*, accompanied with a great many Persons of Quality; He will be this night at *Gaunt*, and on Thursday at *Bruges*, and is not expected back here till the beginning of the next week. The *French*, we are told, are preparing for three Encampments, one in *Artois*, another between the *Sambre* and the *Meuse*, and the third on the *Saar*. The Letters from *Vienna* of the 18th Instant tell us, that the Rebels in *Mongatz* make a very vigorous defence, and that the *Imperialists* carry on their Galleries with a great deal of difficulty.

Paris, May 1. The *Marschal d'Estree* sailed from *Brest* the 19th past, with Nine Men of War, and Four Fireships, besides Tenders; And the next day the *Sieur de Villette* joined him with the four Ships under his Command. And we have likewise advice, that the Duke of *Mortemar* sailed the 20th of the same Month from *Toulon* with nine Men of War, three Fireships, three Gallies with Mortars, and three Fly-boats carrying Ammunition and Bombs. The King has made Four new Knights of the Order, the Duke of *Chartres*, the Duke of *Bourbon*, the Prince of *Conti*, and the Duke of *Maine*.

Dublin, April 19. The 15th Instant the Right Honourable Sir *Charles Porter*, appointed by His Majesty to be Lord Chancellor of this Kingdom, arrived here from *England*; And the next day the Great Seal was delivered to him by his Excellency the Lord-Lieutenant in Council, where his Lordship took his Place, after having taken the usual Oaths.

Westminster, April 23. Sir *John Holt* Recorder of *London*, Sir *Ambrose Philips*, *Christopher Milton* Esq; *John Powell* Esq; *John Tate* Esq; *William Rawlinson* Esq; *William Killingworth* Esq; *Hugh Hodgson* Esq; *Thomas Geeres* Esq; and *George Hutchins* Esq; being called by the Kings Writ to take upon them the State and Degree of Serjeants at Law, they accordingly appeared the first day of the Term at the *Chancery Bar*, where having taken the Oaths according to Custom, the Lord Chancellor made a short Speech to them; After which the new Serjeants delivered a Ring to his Lordship, praying him to present it to the King, with their Duty and most Humble Thanks for the Honor His Majesty had been pleased to confer upon them. And this day the new Serjeants

having met and performed in the *Inner Temple Hall* (the Lord Chief Justice of *England* being of that Society) the Ceremony of Counting, and had their Quoifs put on by the Judges, walked from thence, being clothed in Party coloured Robes, Violet and Purple, accompanied by a great many Gentlemen of the Long Robe out of the several Societies in the usual manner to *Westminster*; Being come into the Hall, they were brought, each between two Senior Serjeants, to the Bar of the *Common-Pleas*, where they again Counted in their order before all the Judges; and then gave Rings with this Motto, *Deus, Rex, Lex*. After which the Court rose; and the new Serjeants entertained the Lord Chancellor, with many of the Nobility, the Judges, and other Persons of Quality, at a splendid Dinner in *Serjeants Inn* in *Fleet-street*.

Sir *John Holt* and Sir *Ambrose Philips* are made the Kings Serjeants at Law.

Whitehall, April 25. This day Count *Salazar*, Envoy from the Marquis de *Gastagna* Governor General of the *Spanish Netherlands*, had Audiente of their Majesties, being Conducted by Sir *Charles Cottrell* Master of the Ceremonies.

All Persons owing Arrears of Rent for Wine-Licences, or whose Licences are expired, are hereby desired to take Notice, That if they do not pay their said Arrears, and renew their said Wine-Licences with all speed, they will be forthwith sued at Law for the same.

Advertisements.

Systema Medicinale: A Complete System of Physick, Theoretical and Practica In Six Books. Written in Latin by the Learned John De Jeus, and Translated into English by William Salmon, Containing a Summary of the Ancient and Modern way of Practice. Whereunto is added a Prefatory Discourse concerning the Method of studying Physick, and other Accommodations relating to the same. Printed for T. Passinger on London-bridge, and T. Sawbridge in Little-Britain, and sold by Randal Taylor near Stationers-Hall by Ludgate.

Lost the 20th Instant, between Whitehall and the Royal Exchange, a large Key with a Coronet and fluted Shank filed cross. Whoever brings it to Mr. Richard Bickford Locksmith in Queen-street by Lincolns-Inn Fields, shall have Ten shillings Reward.

A Person was Robbed the 20th Instant near Kinsington, by four Highway-men, of a Silver Watch made by one Bennet, a Sapphire Stone Seal set in Silver, with a Coat of Arms of Three Flower de-luces, and a Lyon cut in it, a pair of plain Pistols with flat Locks, and one of the Catches broke off from the Lock, a Buckhorn-haft Knife tipped with Silver. One of the Robbers had short brown hair, full visage, of a middle stature, with a cinnamon coloured Coat faced with black, Rid on a grey Gelding; the other a black Man, thin faced, long visage, with black short hair, Rid on a bay Gelding with a star in his forehead, and the other on a black Gelding. Whoever shall give Notice to Mr. Middleton at the Rolls Coffee-house in Chancery-lane, London, of the said Goods or Men, shall have Two Guinea's Reward.

Stolen out of the Stable of Joseph Preitiley of Barnley in the County of York, the 12th Instant. A grizzle Gelding about 15 hands high, trots all, comes six years old this Grass, a cloudy Face; a great quantity of hair on his Nose end, and a knot on the Fetlock joint of the far hinder Foot. Also a dapple gray Gelding about 15 hands and an half high, all his paces, with a bob tail. Whoever gives Notice of them so as to be had again, to Mr. Wilcock at the Fox and Goose on Snow-hill, London, or to Joseph Preitiley aforesaid, shall be well Rewarded.

Lost or Volen the 20th Instant, out of Peckham Meade in Surrey near the Halfway-House, An Iron Gray Mare about 13 hands and an half high, with Bridle and Saddle, a Speck on her Eye, a Hole in her further Shoulder, and a Bob-tail. Whoever gives Notice of her to Mr. Houghton Wine-Merchant over against the Kings-head Inn in Southwark, or to Mr. Michael Blowar at the Bull-head Inn in Dartford in the County of Kent, shall have 20 s. Reward.

Lost the 25th Instant near Somerset-House, a black laced Palatin with Diamond Tags upon black Ribon. Whoever gives Notice of it to Mr. Hoare at the Golden Bottle in Cheap-side, shall have Three Guinea's Reward.

At the King's Square at Soho, is a large House to be Lett or Sold well Finished, with a good Coach-house, Stable, and other Conveniences; next door to Mr. Broton's, where any Person may be further satisfied.