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**H**IS Majesty being informed of frequent Robberies committed on the Highways, has been pleased, out of His Royal Care for the Security of His Subjects Travelling on the Roads, and for the Encouragement of such as shall apprehend any Highwaymen, to Command the following Order of Council, formerly published, to be again Re-printed.

At the Court at *WHITEHALL*,  
This 20th of *MARCH*, 1684.

By the King's most Excellent Majesty,  
And the Lords of His Majesties most Honourable  
Privy-Council.

**H**IS Majesty minding to secure all His Loving Subjects, in Travelling, and going about their Lawful Occasions. Is this day in Council pleased to Order, and it is hereby Ordered, That all His Majesties Officers of Justice, and others His Loving Subjects, do use their utmost Diligence and Endeavour, for the Apprehending all Robbers, and Highway-men, to the end they may be proceeded against according to Law; And for the Encouragement of such as shall Apprehend any such Offender, or Offenders. It is further Ordered by His Majesty, That such Person or Persons, who shall at any Time from the Day of the Date hereof, till the 20th of *MARCH*, which shall be in the Year of our Lord God 1685. and after that day till His Majesty shall please to recal this Order, either by Proclamation or His Order in Council, Apprehend any Robber, or Highway-man, and cause him to be brought into Custody, shall within Fifteen Days after his Conviction, have a Reward of Ten pounds for every such Offender, so Apprehended, and Convicted, and all and every Sheriff, and Sheriff of the respective Counties, and Sheriffs-wicks, where such Conviction shall be had, are and is hereby required upon the Certificate of the Judge, or Two or more Justices of the Peace, before whom such Person or Persons, shall be Convicted of such Apprehension and Conviction, to pay unto the Person, or Persons, who shall apprehend such Offender, or Offenders, the Reward aforesaid, within the Time aforesaid, for each and every Offender, so Apprehended and Convicted as aforesaid; Out of His Majesties Monies, received by such Sheriff, or Sheriffs in that County where such Conviction shall be, which shall be allowed unto him, or them, upon his or their Accounts in the Exchequer; and the Right Honourable the Lord High Treasurer of England, is hereby Authorized, and Empowered to give such Warrants, to the Officers, and others concerned in the Exchequer, to give allowance thereof accordingly. And it is also further Ordered, that all Lieutenants, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bayliffs, and other Officers, and Persons whatsoever, do take Notice thereof, and give due Obedience accordingly. And also be aiding and assisting in all things, tending to the Execution thereof, as they tender His Majesties Displeasure, and upon Pain of being proceeded against as Contemners of His Majesties Royal Authority.

WILLIAM BRIDGEMAN.

Whitehall, February 25.

**I**nformation being given, that divers loose and desperate Persons who have committed Notorious Piracies in America are lately come into England, with intent to seduce others of His Majesties Subjects, and with them to return to their accustomed Piracies: Assurance is hereby given pursuant to the Authorities granted by His Majesty, to Sir Robert Holmes, His Majesties sole Commissioner for Suppressing of Pirats, That if any

Person or Persons shall, in England, or within any of the Plantations, or other His Majesties Dominions, Discover to Sir Robert Holmes or his Agents, and shall cause to be Apprehended any Pirats or Accomplices of Pirats, their Estates or Goods, so that they may be brought to Justice, or their Estate or Goods or any part thereof Seized: Such Discoverer shall, for his Encouragement, receive Twenty per Cent. or one full Fifth part of all their Estate or Goods that shall be recovered by the apprehension or prosecution of any such Pirat or Accomplice of Pirats, or by the Discovery of all or any part of their Estate or Goods; and if such Discoverer or other Person or Persons, causing any Pirat or Pirats to be apprehended, shall, any or all of them, have heretofore committed Piracy, His Majesty will be Graciously pleased to grant him or them a full Pardon for all Piracies, pursuant to His Majesties late Proclamation in that behalf; and he or they shall further receive and enjoy Twenty per Cent. or one full Fifth part of any Estate or Goods to be recovered as aforesaid. And whatsoever, within or near the City of London, shall be able to make any such Discovery, or be helpful therein, they may repair to Mr. James Kinvin in Bow-lane, from whom they may receive such further Directions and Satisfaction as shall be necessary concerning the same.

*Venice, Febr. 14.* After that the Palace of Foscarini had been prepared for the Reception of the Elector of *Bavaria*, and the necessary Provisions laid in, Notice was sent to his Domesticks that he had altered his Resolutions of coming hither, and they were ordered to return. The Prince of *Tuscany* receives great Satisfaction in the Variety of Diversions that are contrived for his Entertainment. On *Tuesday* next is to be a great Bull Feast in the Plain of *Santa Maria Formosa*. There wanting Conveniences at *Corzola* for the re-fitting the great Men of War, 4 of them are come to *Carreen* in the Haven of *Malamocco*. The two new Ships lately launched from the *Arsenal*, are lying in the Haven of *Spigone*, to take in their Guns and what else is necessary for their Voyage to the *Levant*. There are several Vessels arrived from several Parts, which only satisfy us, that there is little News stirring. All that we hear from *Athens* is, That the Inhabitants of *Achaia* have offered themselves to undertake the attacking of *Negrepont*, provided they may be assisted with 1000 Men, which, it is believed, will be accepted. It is confirmed from all Parts, that the *Turks* apply themselves with the utmost Industry to get together a numerous Army for the next Campaign: That Messengers have been sent to all the Governments in that Empire, to give an Account of the new Sultan's Establishment on the Throne; and to carry his Orders to the *Bassia's* and *Begs*, Requiring them, upon pain of the highest Displeasure, to take an exact account of such as are able to serve the State within their district; and to begin to make Levies that they may have them in a readiness to march upon the first Summons. We hear they begin to be better quietted at *Constantinople*, since the *Spahis* have been gratified with a Permission to visit their own Homes for some short time; though they are not without some fresh Remembrances of the ill Effects of the late licentiousness. The Regiment of *Wolfenbuttel* is arrived at *Verona* 1200 Men strong, and yet 700 of them are said to have deserted by the way, and the Vessels are in a readiness for their Transportation.

*Vienna, Febr. 19.* The States of *Stiria* assembled at *Graz*, have granted to his Imperial Majesty the ordinary Subsidy of 300000 Florins, besides 160000 which they furnish towards the Entertainment of the Troops necessary for the Security of their Frontiers. And it is not doubted but the States of the other Provinces, which are now assembled, will cheerfully contribute, according to their Abilities, to put the Emperor into a Condition to

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