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Stockholm, October 31. O. S.

TH E Diet of the States of this Kingdom being brought to a Conclusion, the four Orders of the said States met at the Great Hall of the Court the 28th Instant, and according to Custom waited on the King in a Body to take their Leave of him. Before the Nobility separated, they elected Count Horn to be first Director of their House in the Room of Count Charles Gyllenstierna, who died some Months ago. M. Rumpf, who was several Years Resident at this Court from the States General, and has been for some Months past in Holland, returned hither this Day from thence with the Character of Envoy Extraordinary.

If the Person who sent by the Penny Post a Letter dated December 10, 1723. and subscribed R. I. to a Gentleman at the Secretaries Office in the Cockpit, will come thither and make out what he proposes, he may be assured of all fitting Encouragement.

Whitehall, Dec: 10, 1723.

Whereas on Thursday Night the 31st of October last, several Persons unknown being about Twelve in Number, disguised and armed with Swords and Staves, did in a most inhuman and barbarous manner, assault, beat and abuse Joseph Clapp, an Officer of His Majesty's Customs, of Titchfield in the Port of Portsmouth, at a Place called Crayton-Lane End, being in the Execution of his Office, and stole from him his Horse and Arms, (threatning the Lives of several other Officers of the Customs, if they should meet them) and are since absconded and fled from Justice:

For the better Discovery of the Offenders, their Excellencies the Lords Justices are pleased to promise His Majesty's most gracious Pardon to any one or two of them who shall discover his Accomplices, so as one or more of them be apprehended and convicted of the Crimes abovementioned: And for a further Encouragement, their Excellencies are also pleased to promise a Reward of Sixty Pounds, over and above all other Rewards to which he or they may be entitled by Law, to any Person or Persons whatso-

ever making such Discovery, to be paid by the Receiver-General and Cashier of the Customs, upon the Conviction of one or more of the said Offenders.

Ch. Delafaye.

Navy-Office, Dec. 11, 1723.

This Board intending on Friday the 3d of January next, at Ten a-Clock in the Morning, to treat for the Importation of Iron for his Majesty's Service the ensuing Year; These are to give Notice thereof, that such Persons as are willing to undertake the same, may attend with their Proposals at that Time accordingly.

The Court of Directors of the Bank of England give Notice, that a General Court will be held at the Bank, on Thursday the 19th Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, being one of the Quarterly General Courts appointed by their Charter.

South-Sea-House, Dec. 12, 1723.

The Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company give Notice, That in Order to the next Christmas Dividend on their Capital Stock, the Transfer-Books thereof will be shut on Monday the 23d Instant; which Transfer Books will be opened again on Monday the 10th of February next.

South-Sea-House, Dec. 12, 1723.

The Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company do hereby give Notice, that all Bonds of the said Company dated the 26th of December 1715, 1717, 1718, 1719, or which shall become due the 26th of this Instant December, will be paid off on the said 26th Instant, from which Time the Interest on the said Bonds will cease.

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 holden at the East-India House in Leadenhall-street, London, on Friday the 20th of this Instant December, at 11 a-Clock in the Forenoon. That the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut up from Friday the said 20th of this Instant December, to Monday the 20th of January next; and that the Annuity and Dividend Warrants due at Christmas, will be ready to be delivered to the Adventurers on Tuesday the 28th of January next.

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