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Whitehall, August 24.

BY Letters from Commodore St. Lo, dated from on Board His Majesty's Ship the Lyon at Port Royal in Jamaica, July 24, 1728, we have an Account, That Captain Gray came in there the Day before with His Majesty's Ships the Lark, Lenox, Nottingham, Dragon, Tyger, Portland, and Diamond, from before Cartagena, having on the 10th of that Month, at Nine in the Morning, received by the Conde de Avene, Commander of a Spanish Man of War called the St. Lorenzo, Duplicates of his Grace the Duke of Newcastle's Letters, signifying His Majesty's Pleasure for the Execution of the Preliminary Articles, as likewise several Packets containing the like Orders from the King of Spain for the Commandant of the Galleons, the Governour of Cartagena, and the other Viceroyes and Governours of the Spanish Colonies in America; upon which Captain Gray had sent an Officer ashore at Cartagena with the Packet for the Governour of that Place, as likewise that which was directed to the Commandant of the Galleons, and acquainted them that he had received the King his Master's Orders to withdraw from that Coast, and that he should forthwith proceed to Jamaica, offering to convey any Packets they might have Occasion to send Home. When the Officer he sent ashore carried them the News of the Peace, the whole Town

was filled with Joy, and Chearfulness appeared in the Face of every Person. That on the 3d of the said Month His Majesty's Ship the Solebay arrived at Jamaica with His Majesty's Orders above-mentioned to the Admiral or Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Squadron, and Duplicates of those of the King of Spain to his Officers, which Ship Commodore St. Lo sent away on the 6th to Vera Cruz with the Packet directed to the Viceroy of Mexico, and the Greyhound to Portobelo with that directed to the Viceroy of Peru and the President of Panama; and that he was in Hopes he should dispatch all the Ships that were ordered Home in about three Weeks, except the Lyon and Nottingham, which having suffered at Sea, would take up some Time to be refitted.

Hampton-Court, Aug. 2. 1728.

His Majesty being informed that Nathaniel Bostock, Exchange Broker, having on Friday the 19th of July last transacted Business for considerable Sums of Money, and paid Six Thousand Pounds, besides between Three and Four Hundred Pounds deposited the same Day in the Hands of Mr. Pepys, Banker, in Lombard-street, was seen that Evening at Lambeth, between Seven and Eight a Clock, by several Persons, and has ever since been missing and not yet heard of; and that Parts of his Cloaths having been found at Lambeth next Morning much torn and bloody, it is violently presumed from that and other Circumstances that he was murdered: His Majesty, for the Discovery of so heinous a Crime, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of the Accomplices therein (except the Person by whose Hand the Murder was committed) who shall discover