

Wells for their Health, or other lawful Occasions: For preventing which Mischiefs and Disorders, and suppressing of the said unlawful Games for the future, it is thought fit and ordered by this Court, that it be recommended to the several Justices of Peace of this County of the Division wherein *Tunbridge Wells* lie, or who shall be there residing, to assemble and meet together as often as there shall be occasion, and to take and use such lawful means as may be most effectual for preventing any of the said unlawful Games at the Places aforesaid, or any Riots or Routs occasioned thereby; and the Constables, Bortholders, and other Peace-Officers of the Parish of *Spelaburff*, and other Parishes in this County where *Tunbridge Wells*, or the Houses or Buildings thereunto adjoining is or are situate, are hereby required to be aiding and assisting to the said Justices of Peace, as they and every of them will answer the contrary at their Peril. And the said Constables, Bortholders, and other Peace-Officers, are hereby farther ordered to give publick Notice of this Order, by affixing Copies thereof in the most notorious Places near *Tunbridge Wells* aforesaid: And it is also farther ordered by this Court, that this Order be forthwith printed and published in the *London Gazette*, for the better Notification thereof, and that no Person may pretend Ignorance. Per Cur.

S. Fuller, Cler' Pat' Com' Kane' prad.

Whitehall, May 2, 1729.

Whereas on Friday the 11th Day of April last, about nine a Clock at Night, *William Pearce*, a Tidesman in the Port of London, going by Water from *Whitehall* Straits towards London Bridge, three Persons unknown, in Disguise, their Faces appearing black, as if covered with Grape, and the Brims of their Hats pulled down over them, come in a Wherry alongside the Boat he was in, and having asked his Name, which he told them, they laid hold of him, and endeavoured to pull him out of the Boat, in order, as it most probable, to have drowned him, but were prevented by other Boats which happening to pass by at the same Time, came to his Assistance. And whereas from the Expressions used by the said Persons in Disguise, there is the greatest Reason to believe, that they mistook the said *William Pearce* for *Thomas Pearce*, another Tidesman, resembling him in Face and Stature, whom they intended to murder, in Revenge for the great Service he has done in detecting and convicting several Persons guilty of very notorious Frauds, to the Prejudice of His Majesty's Revenue, and of the fair Merchants, in stealing and running Tobacco and other Goods, who have thereupon been brought to condign Punishment. His Majesty for the better Discovery of an Attempt so barbarous and inhuman, and so highly criminal, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders, who shall discover his Accomplices, so as they be apprehended and convicted thereof.

And as a farther Encouragement for such Discovery, His Majesty is pleased to promise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds to any Person or Persons whatsoever, who shall make the said Discovery, payable by the Receiver General of His Majesty's Customs, on the Conviction of one or more of the said Offenders.

Holles Newcastle.

Admiralty Office, June 10, 1729.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty being informed that several Seamen have taken an unjustifiable Liberty of absenting themselves from the Ships of the Fleet whereto they belong, and straggling up to Town; Their Lordships do hereby give Notice, that if the Men who have or do absent themselves do not repair on board the respective Ships wherunto they belong by the 20th Day of this Month, they will be taken up and prosecuted as Deserters with the utmost Severity; but that such of them as do return to their Duty by the aforesaid Time, shall not be punished for their Desertion.

By Command of their Lordships, J. Burchetts

Stamp-Office, June 6, 1729.

Whereas by a Clause in an Act of last Session of Parliament, to revive the Laws therein mentioned, it is enacted, That no Person or Persons whatsoever shall, from and after the 24th of June 1729, sell Brandy or other distilled Liquors by Retail, to be drank in his, her, or their House, or Houses, but such Persons only as shall be thereunto licensed and allowed, in the same Manner as common Alehouse Keepers; and every Person or Persons so selling Brandy or other distilled Liquors by Retail, as aforesaid, shall be subject to such Rules Penalties and Forfeitures, as common Alehouse Keepers now are for selling Drink without Licence. The Commissioners for managing His Majesty's Stamp Duties, to prevent the Retailers of Brandy or other distilled Liquors incurring the Penalty for selling such Liquors without Licence, do give this publick Notice.

East India House, June 4, 1729:

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies do hereby give Notice, That a General Court of the said Company will be holden at their House in *Benchurch-Street*, London, on Wednesday the 18th of this Instant June, at Eleven in the Forenoon, the same being a Quarterly Court. And that the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut up from Thursday the 19th Instant, till Thursday the 17th of July next. And that the Annuity and Dividend Warrants due at Midsummer next will be ready to be delivered to the Adventurers on Wednesday the 30th of the said July.

London Assurance House, June 11, 1729.

The Court of Directors of the London Assurance do hereby give Notice, that the Transfer Books of the said Corporation will be shut on Tuesday the 17th of this Instant June: And that a General Court will be held at their House in *Cornhill*, London, on Thursday the 26th, from Ten in the Forenoon to Four in the Afternoon, for the Election of a Governor, Sub-Governor and Deputy-Governor, which Election will be declared that Evening; and that the said Court will be continued by Adjournment, and held at the same Place, and during the same Hours, on Friday the 27th Instant, for the Election of 24 Directors, which Election will be declared as soon as the Scrutiny is over. Printed Lists of the Proprietors qualified to vote will be ready to be delivered on Monday the 23d Instant.

Custom-House, London, June 10, 1729.

For Sale, by Order of the Honourable Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, &c. On Wednesday the 18th Instant, at Three a-Clock in the Afternoon, will be exposed