

Whitehall, September 1, 1738.

Whereas divers evil-disposed Persons have, for some time past, made a Practice of filing Guineas, and putting them off at the Bank, and other Places: His Majesty, for the apprehending the Persons concerned in filing Guineas as aforesaid, is pleased to promise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds, over and above the Reward allowed by Act of Parliament, upon Conviction of each of the Persons concerned in the aforesaid Practice. And whereas some of the Persons concerned in filing of Guineas have been supplied with Engines for edging or milling the Guineas after they have been filed as aforesaid, by one or more Persons that have made the same for the Purposes aforesaid; His Majesty, for the apprehending any Person or Persons concerned in the making or mending any Engine or Instrument made for the edging or milling any of the Gold Coin of this Kingdom, doth promise the like Reward, upon Conviction of each of the Persons concerned in making or mending any Instrument made for the Purposes aforesaid. And whereas John Carter, Francis Kelham, David Roberts, and Joseph Benson, against whom Informations have been taken upon Oath, have, since the Discovery of these Facts, left their Habitations, and absconded: His Majesty is pleased to promise the like Reward for the apprehending each of them, upon their or either of their being convicted; and, as a further Encouragement, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any Person who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices in the said Facts.

HARRINGTON.

John Carter is a tall thin Man, of a pale Complexion, and is lame of one Foot which turns inwards; he is a Watch-Graver by Trade, formerly kept an Ale-house in West-Smithfield, but lodged last at the Duke's Head in St. John's Square.

Francis Kelham, a little Man with a red Complexion, who lately kept the Rose and Crown Ale-house in Bartholomew Close, till he absconded. They have both been frequently seen at Horse Races, Gaming-Tables, Hazard, Cockfighting Matches.

David Roberts, by Trade a Carpenter, about 5 Foot 2 or 3 Inches high, of a fairish fresh Complexion, about 25 Years of Age, who kept the Coach and Horses Inn in the City of Coventry about two Years ago, since lodged in Cold Bath Fields, London, afterwards at one Williams, a Chandler on Saffron Hill, afterwards moved and kept a House in the Market-place, Hoxton, from thence moved to the Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, from thence to the Mulberry Garden in St. George's Fields, South wark, from thence to Wood's Close near Clerkenwell; his last Habitation was near the Three Hats, Islington.

Joseph Benson, about 5 Foot 6 Inches high, between 60 and 70 Years old, stoops a little, wears a Wig, and his Hair pretty long under it, and is a thin spare Man, born near Naresborough in Yorkshire, by Trade a Gunsmith, noted for making Cross Bows, formerly lived in Dublin; his last Place of Habitation was at Cats-Hole in St. Catherine's, near the Tower. N. B. Joseph Benson is the Maker of the Engine lately found in the New River, and has made several Engines for milling the Guineas, and is reckoned by the Gunsmiths an ingenious Man at his Business. Whoever apprehends either of the said Persons, or any other Person concerned in these Practices, may apply themselves to Mr. Abiam, in Surry-street in the Strand, or to Mr. North, near Fishmongers-Hall, in Thames street.

General Post Office, London, August 27, 1738.

Whereas the Post-Boy carrying the North Mail from London, was set upon and robbed by a single Person on

Foot, this Morning between the Hours of Two and Three, on this Side Kingland, near London: The Postmaster General thinks proper to make it publicly known, that whoever shall apprehend the Person who committed this Robbery, will, upon Conviction, be entitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, besides the Reward by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Accomplice in the said Robbery, shall make a Discovery of the Person who committed the Fact, such Accomplice will be entitled to the said Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Order of the Post Master General,

John Jesse, Clerk.

The Person who committed this Robbery, is described to be a middle-sized Man, had on a light-colour'd close bodied Coat, with close Sleeves, and a full Bob Wig pretty light, with a Paper Mask over his Face. He carried off the five following Bags, viz. Hartford, Peterborough, Horncastle, Louth, and Boston; and likewise took the greatest Part of the Letters out of the Enfield, Ware, St. Ives, and Roylton Bags.

Note, There were two Men at a small Distance from him, suppos'd to be his Accomplices.

General Post-Office, London, Sept. 13, 1738.

Whereas the Post-Boy, carrying the Bristol Mail from London, was set upon and robbed by three Men on Horseback, and one on Foot, about three of the Clock this Morning, between Knightsbridge and Kensington, who carried off the Bristol, Bath, Hereford, Leominster, and Prestign Bags.

The Postmaster General thinks proper to make it publicly known, that whoever shall apprehend the Persons who committed this Robbery, or any of them, will, upon Conviction, be entitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, besides the Reward by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Accomplice in the said Robbery shall make a Discovery of the Persons (or any of them) who committed the Fact, such Accomplice will be entitled to the said Reward of two Hundred Pounds, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Order of the Postmaster General

John Jesse, Clerk.

Whitehall, October 6, 1738.

Whereas a Letter sign'd R. W. was found at the Door of Robert Harvey, Esq, Mayor of the City of Norwich, on the 28th of September last in the Evening, threatening to burn his House, and if that failed to shoot him, and two other Persons, unless he comply'd with certain Conditions therein mentioned: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person concerned in writing and sending the said Letter, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them that shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices, so as they or any of them may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

And as a further Encouragement to such Discovery, the Court of Mayoralty of the said City of Norwich do hereby promise One Hundred Pounds to any Person or Persons making the same as aforesaid; to be paid by the Chamberlain of the said City, upon the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

Neh. Lodge, Town Clerk.

Pay Office, Sept. 21, 1738.

These are to give Notice, That the Widows of the Commission and Warrants Officers of the Royal Navy, will