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*Whitehall, May 26.*

**Y**esterday in the Evening arrived a Messenger, dispatched by the Right Honourable the Lord Harrington Principal Secretary of State attending his Majesty, with a Letter dated from Helvoetsluys Saturday the 24th Instant, at Nine a-Clock in the Morning, giving an Account, that his Majesty being arrived there in perfect Health (God be praised) was going on shore, in order to proceed on his Journey to Hanover. His Majesty had a very fine Passage, the Wind having come to the South-West on Friday Morning at Break of Day, when the Yachts and Convoy were at Anchor below the Nore.

This Morning the Lords Justices met at the Cockpit, and opened their Commission. Their Excellencies have been pleased to appoint John Couraud and Andrew Stone, Esqrs. to be their Secretaries.

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On the 24th Instant came in Letters from Vice-Admiral Vernon, dated the 25th of February, giving an Account, that the Burford (which was the Admiral-Ship at the taking of Porto Bello) having, in returning from a Cruize on the Spanish Coast, run upon a Rock off Point Canoa, two Leagues from the Shore, was found when she came into Port Royal to be so very leaky, that there was an absolute Necessity for her being careen'd before she can put to Sea again. The Admiral therefore hoisted his Flag in the Strafford, for the Expedition he has now in Hand; and having caused the rest of the Squadron he takes with him to be repaired, victualled, and stored, with all the Diligence that could be used, he put out of Port Royal with the Strafford, Princess Louisa, Windsor, Greenwich, and Norwich: The Falmouth had been sent away with the London Convoy, but was ordered to join the Admiral at a certain Station. The Admiral has also with him all the Fireships, Bomb-Vessels, and Tenders;

and being got out of the Harbour of Port Royal, dates his said Letters of the 25th of February from on board the Strafford at Sea. He had ordered the Burford to follow him as soon as she could be got ready, according to Directions left sealed up with her Commander Captain Watson. The Torrington was likewise getting ready in order to follow the Admiral. Commodore Brown with several of his Majesty's Ships was left at Port Royal. On the 21st of February, Captain Wyndham in the Greenwich returned to Port Royal from a Cruize, in which he had chased ashore and destroyed, just to the Leeward of the Port of St. Jago, the Spanish Brigantine Privateer that was the South-Sea Company's, commanded by Captain Willis, and seized in that Port, and fitted out for a Privateer, and might have been very pernicious to our Trade if she had not been timely destroyed; she was towing in an English Brigantine that had left Company with the Convoy, but was brought safe into Port Royal by the Greenwich.

On the 25th arrived Letters from Rear-Admiral Haddock, dated from on board the Ipswich at Port Mahon the 7th of May, advising, that on the 5th he dispatched his Majesty's Ships the Prince of Orange, Sunderland and Jersey to joyn Sir Chaloner Ogle at Gibraltar, whose Squadron, when these have joyned him, will consist of twelve stout Ships of War. Rear Admiral Haddock remains at Port Mahon with the rest of his Squadron, some of his Ships being employed to cruize on the Coast of Catalonia, and on that of Italy.

*Florence, May 15, N. S.* Letters from Rome of the 7th Instant advise, that Sig. Bolognetti was returned from Civita Vecchia, where, on the 29th past, he had caused the Sea-Horse, an English Ship, Captain Read Master, to be restored to him by Virtue of an Instrument drawn up by Order of the Government of Rome. That Ship had been chased and seized by a Spanish Privateer within Reach of the Cannon of the Fort at Civita Vecchia,

Vecchia, and was therefore adjudged to be an unlawful Prize. Accordingly Sig. Bolognetti saw the Spaniards turned out, and Captain Read, to whom the said Instrument was consigned, put in Possession of his Ship. The said Instrument empowers the Captain to sue for Damages and for Restitution of such Goods as may have been taken out of her. Sig. Bolognetti, at parting, told the Captain, that at his Return to Rome, Articles for the Neutrality of the Ports of the Roman State, would be established on the same Foot as those for Leghorn.

General Post Office, March 14, 1739.

*Whereas the Post-Boy, who was carrying the Worcester Mail from London to Southall, was set upon this Morning about Four of the Clock, between Audley-street End and Tyburn Turnpike, by Two Footpads, one of which was a lusty Man, in a white Cape Coat, who presented a Pistol to the said Boy, and demanding the Oxford Bag, led him into a Field against Audley-street End, opened the Mail, and took thereout the Worcester and Oxford Bags; the Worcester Bag containing the Ludlow, Tenbury, and Bromyard Letters; the Oxford Bag containing the Burford, Whitney, and Woodstock Letters.*

*The Postmaster General thinks proper to advertise the Publick, that whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, both or either of the Persons who committed the said Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of 200 l. besides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. Or if any Person, whether Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby the Persons, or either of them who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties, be intitled to the same Reward, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.*

*By Command of the Postmaster General.*

*J. D. Barbutt, Secretary.*

General Post-Office, April 2, 1740.

*Whereas the Post Boy carrying the Bristol Mail from London to Hounslow, was attacked and set upon between Three and Four a Clock this Morning, a little beyond Knightsbridge, by a single Person on Foot, of a dark Complexion, and a middle Stature, having on a light-colour'd Horseman's Coat with the Cape button'd up, who led him into an adjacent Field, and there took from him the Bath and Bristol Bags, put them into a Green Bag, and rode off with them towards London on the Horse that carried the said Mail.*

*The Postmaster General thinks proper to advertise the Publick, that whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, besides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Person, whether Accomplice in the said Robbery,*

*or knowing thereof, shall make a Discovery whereby the Person who committed the same may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intitled to the same Reward, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.*

*By Command of the Postmaster General.*

*J. D. Barbutt, Secretary.*

#### *Advertisements.*

**T**HE Creditors of Anselme Frederick Pigou and Crommelin Pigou, late of London, Merchants and Partners, are desired to meet the Assignees on Thursday the 5th Day of June next, at Five in the Afternoon, at Garraway's Coffee-house in Exchange-Alley, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing one or more Suits or Suits in Equity for Recovery of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, and their submitting to Arbitration any Differences or Disputes relating thereto, and compounding any Debt or Debts, or otherwise agreeing the same, and on other special Affairs.

**T**HE Creditors of Richard Crozier, late of London, and William Crozier, late of Reading in the County of Berks, Hair Merchants and Partners, Bankrupts, are desired to meet the Assignees under the said Commission, on Monday the 16th Day of June next, at Four a Clock in the Afternoon, at the Cross-Keys Tavern in Cornhill, London, to assent or dissent to the Sale of the Bankrupt's Estate, Debts, and Effects, and to sign an Authority to the said Assignees for selling the same, in order that a final Dividend may be forthwith made.

**T**HE Creditors of John Rankin, late of Epping in the County of Essex, Tanner, are desired to meet the surviving Assignee of the said Bankrupt's Estate, on Tuesday the 31 of June next, at Four in the Afternoon, at the Nag's Head Tavern in Leadenhall-street, London, to authorize and empower the said Assignee to compound and agree with Mary Fareham, Spinster, touching a Claim made on the Estate of the said Bankrupt, and on other special Affairs.

**P**Ursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of William Vanderplank, late of Rumley, in the County of Southampton, Clothier, deceased, are hereby peremptorily required to come in and prove their Debts before Samuel B. troughs, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his Chambers in Chancery-Lane, on or before Monday the 9th Day of June next, otherwise they will be absolutely foreclosed the Benefit of the said Decree.

**T**O be sold, together or in Parcels, before Edmund Sawyer, Esq; one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, pursuant to a Decree of the same Court, The Manors of Whiteley St. Mary and Whiteley St. Andrew, and the Rectories impropriate of Whiteley St. Mary and Whiteley St. Andrew, in the Isle of Ely and County of Cambridge, and divers Messuages, Tythes, Lands, Rents and Hereditaments in Whiteley St. Mary and Whiteley St. Andrew aforesaid, of about the yearly Value of 1000 l. late the Estate of George Downes, Gentleman, deceased. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's Chambers.

**W**HEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Cowden, of the Parish of St. Giles's in the Fields, in the County of Middlesex, Carpenter, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 3d and 10th of June next, and on the 8th of July following, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the First Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint.