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*Petersbourg, August 9, O. S.*

**M.** Backhoff, the Danish Resident, had on the 3d Instant an Audience of the Czarina as Envoy Extraordinary; as had also the same Afternoon an Envoy from Chiva, which is a District of Tartary lying between the Caspian Sea and the Lake of Arol: and an Envoy from the Tartars of Bücharia, is just arrived here. The Velt Marthal Munich, with the Hereditary Prince of Courland, set out Yesterday Morning for Wyburgh to view the Fortifications there. M. Podoski, who came hither some time ago, to solicit this Court to indemnify the Damages the Czartowiski Family, particularly the Palatin of Russia, had sustained by the March of the Muscovite Troops through Poland, set out from hence last Week, after having obtained thirty thousand Rubles on that Account.

*Stockholm, Aug. 15.* The Universalia for summoning an extraordinary Assembly of the States of this Kingdom, for a Diet to be held here on the 4th of December next, are prepared, and will be published To-morrow, at which Time it is expected the Court will be in Town. General Diemar set out from hence on Saturday last in his Way to Hanover. Count Cronstedt, who now commands in Finland, is made President of the College of War; Count Lewenhaupt, General of the Horse; M. During, Lieutenant General; M. Zulick, General of Foot, and M. Buddenbroke, Lieutenant General; and it is expected Count Lewenhaupt will be sent to command in Finland in the room of Count Cronstedt.

*Copenhagen, Aug. 20, N. S.* A Vessel of 60 Guns was launched here Yesterday; and three more, the first of 70, the second of 50, and the third of 40 Guns, will forthwith be put upon the Stocks.

Whitehall, August 26., 1740.

Whereas on Friday the 15th Instant, Mr. George Worge, of Battell, in Suffex, received a threatening Letter, requiring him to lay Five Guineas in the Porch of the said Parish Church, otherwise his dwelling House, situate

in the said Part'h of Battell, should be set on Fire; and accordingly on the Sunday following, about half an Hour after Ten at Night, there came Two Men with an Intention, as there is Reason to believe, either to rob or burn the said Mr. Worge's House, but the Guard that he had placed there, firing upon them, they were obliged to retire. In order to discover the Person or Persons concerned in writing or sending the said Letter, or in making an Attempt upon the said House, their Excellencies the Lords Justices are pleased to promise His Majesty's most gracious Pardon to any one of them who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices, so as he or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

John Couraud.

And as a further Encouragement, for such Discovery as aforesaid, the said George Worge hereby promises a Reward of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons making the same.

George Worge.

N. B. 'Tis believed one of the Persons that made an Attempt upon Mr. Worge's House, was wounded. One was a very tall Man, and the other seem'd to be a square set Man.

Admiralty Office, August 1, 1740.

His Majesty having been graciously pleased, by his Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, dated the 10th of June, 1733, to establish certain Rules and Orders for the better Government of the Charity for the Relief of poor Widows of Commission and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy: These are to give Notice to all such Widows whose Husbands died on or since the 30th of August 1732, that Copies of the said Rules and Orders are lodg'd with the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy at Chatham, Portsmouth, and Plymouth; as also with the Clerks of the Cheque at Deptford, Woolwich, and Sheerness; and with the Naval Officers at Harwich, Deal, and Kinsale; where they may be informed of all Particulars which entitle them to the Benefit of the said Charity, and receive the proper Certificates for that Purpose. But such Widows as live at too great a Distance from the Places above-mentioned, may apply by Letter to Thomas Corbett, Esq; at the Admiralty Office, who will send them all necessary Information. And the Governors of the said Charity intending to distribute to the Widows of such Sea Officers who died before the 30th of August 1732, and whose Circumstances come within the Rules of the Establishment, their Share of the Bounty granted by Parliament; these are to give Notice of the same to all such Widows, that they may procure the proper Certificates and Affidavits, and send or bring them hither. And the Court of Assistants do hereby give Notice, that they will meet at this Office on Tuesday the 16th of September next, at Eight o'Clock in the Morning, to receive the Claims of such Widows as shall be qualified according to the said Rules and Orders.

General

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 Aualey-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.

General Post-Office, London, June 16, 1740.

Whereas the Post-Boy carrying the North Mail from Royston to Ware, was attacked in the Highway, be-

tween One and Two of the Clock last Friday Morning, the 13th Instant, on the North Side of Hamill's Park, belonging to Ralph Freeman, Esq; about three Miles beyond Ware, by a single Highwayman, who was a short thick Man in his own Hair, with a brown great Coat, riding a black Horse, with a Star in his Forehead, having two white Heels behind, who took from him the Peterborough Mail, which contained the following Bags, viz. Peterborough, Boston, Louth, Horncastle, and Spalding.

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 entitled 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 entitled to the same Reward, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

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#### UNION FIRE-OFFICE.

The Directors of the Union Society for Insuring Goods and Merchandize from Loss by Fire, give Notice, That the Half-yearly General Meeting of the said Society, for Choice of Directors for the Year ensuing, will be held by Ballotting, at their Office in Gutter-lane Cheapside, on Tuesday the 23d of September Instant, from Nine in the Morning to Six in the Evening; and that the said General Meeting will be continued by Adjournment till Wednesday the Day following, at Three in the Afternoon; where all who are Insured in the said Office, are desired to be present.

#### Advertisement.

Whereas Mrs. Mary Hammond, late of Salisbury Court in the Parish of St. Bride's, London, Widow, deceased, has by her Will given the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, to be divided amongst Elias Depuy, John Martin, Andrew Jacquin, Philip Woodward, William S endict, Richard Humphrys, Richard Houghton, Benjamin Wilson Thomas Thomas, John Kiggil, George Morty, Charles Satton, and Andrew Bois, who were the Compounding Creditors of her late Husband Charles Hammond, deceased, in or about the Year 1707, which said 150 l. is by her said Will, directed to be paid to them upon an Average, according to their several and respective Debts. The said Creditors, or their Representatives, are desired to meet at the King's Head Tavern, against Symond's Inn in Chancery Lane, on Tuesday Sept. 30, at Six in the Evening, and Enquire for Number I. and to bring with them their Debt Books, or other Evidences of their said Debts, in order to the adjusting their several Claims on the said Sum of 150 l. and to the receiving Satisfaction for the same, according to the Direction of the said Will, and a Decree of the High Court of Chancery made thereupon.