

Laws, and all other Laws made for the Prevention and Punishment of Offences of this Sort, be duly put in Execution: And we do hereby strictly command and require all our Justices, Sheriffs, Under Sheriffs, and Civil Officers whatsoever, and all other our loving Subjects, that they do use their utmost Endeavours to discover and apprehend all such Persons as have been or shall be guilty of the Offences before mentioned, and that they do effectually put the said Laws in Execution; and for the Encouragement of all Persons to be diligent in endeavouring to discover and apprehend all such Offenders, we do hereby promise and declare, That any Person or Persons, who shall discover and apprehend any Offender, who hath at any Time within three Months last past committed, or hereafter, within the Space of Fifteen Months from the Date hereof, shall commit any Murder whatsoever, or any Robbery, with open Force and Violence, in any Street, Highway, Road, Passage, Field, or open Place in the Cities of London or Westminster, or within Five Miles round the same, or shall discover and apprehend the said Thomas Jones, otherwise Harper, or any of the said Persons who were concerned, or aiding and assisting in the Rescuing the said Thomas Jones, otherwise Harper, so as the said Thomas Jones, otherwise Harper, or any other of the said Offenders, so to be apprehended, be convicted of the said Offences, or any of them, shall have and receive for the said Thomas Jones, otherwise Harper, and each and every such other Offender so apprehended and convicted as aforesaid, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, over and above all other Rewards to which such Person or Persons may by any Act of Parliament be intitled; which said Sum of One Hundred Pounds, for every such Person so apprehended and convicted as aforesaid, The Commissioners of our Treasury, or our High Treasurer of Great Britain for the Time being, are hereby directed and required to pay accordingly, without any further or other Warrant in that Behalf; and if the Person so discovering and apprehending any such Persons as aforesaid, (except the Persons actually giving a Wound in any such Murder, and the said Thomas Jones, otherwise Harper) shall have been an Accomplice in any such Murder, Robbery, or Rescue, and by reason thereof shall stand in Need of our most gracious Pardon, we do hereby further promise and declare, That such Person shall have our most gracious Pardon.

Given at our Court at St. James's, the First Day of February, 1748, in the Twenty second Year of our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

*Bassora, October 12.* Ibrahim Shaw came from Fabirez to Koom, where he and the Ophgoon Soldiers left their Families and Effects, and set out for Mushat to meet Shawrook Shaw; when they had passed some Stages, the People, whose Business it was to provide Grain for the Army, returned and acquainted him, that the Subjects at a Village by Samnune had refused to give any, and were retired into the Castle; upon this the King ordered away Emeer Caun, Head Gun-

ner, with all the Artillery, to take it; but after he was set out one or two Days, the King was very apprehensive he should go farther than he had ordered, and join Shawrook Shaw; this he communicated to the Ophgoons (whom he depended upon, and encouraged more than the Persians, which from the Beginning has offended the latter much) who advised him immediately to send a Messenger to him with Orders to return; and as soon as he got him into his Hands, to cut off all the Persians; this Emeer Caun's People, that were in the Camp, advised him of; in Answer to which he sent him Word that the Mules were so tired they could not draw the Guns back again. As soon as he had dispatched the Messenger, he sent Word to the People he was come against, how the Case was, that he would join them, and when Ibrahim Shaw came near with his Camp, he would fire upon them; this they were glad of. The next Day the Army arrived, and accordingly, when they came very near, the whole Artillery were discharged upon them, which irritated the Ophgoons so much, that they fell upon the Persians in the Camp, and killed all they could, and the rest run away. The Ophgoons immediately marched to Koom, in order to get their Wives and Effects, but the People in the Town refused to deliver them, saying they belonged to Shawrook Shaw. Ibrahim Shaw followed the Ophgoons, and received the same Answer they had done. Emeer Caun, when he saw the Camp in that Confusion, followed them with his Soldiers, and arrived at Koom when they were parleying, fell upon the Ophgoons, cut the greatest Part of them to Pieces, and took the King Prisoner. The News of this soon spread about, and Spahaun was taken Possession of for Shawrook.

*Naples, Jan. 13.* The King, who since his Advancement to the Throne has had no Ambassador at the Imperial Court, has at length nominated the Prince de Compo Reale, a Sicilian, for that Employment, and his Excellency will set out for Vienna soon after his Majesty shall be informed of their Imperial Majesties having named an Ambassador of equal Rank to reside at this Court. Orders are given for the immediate Equipping our Ships of War and armed Vessels, in order to cruize upon the Corsairs of Barbary, which still continue very much to infest the Coasts of this Kingdom.

*Genoa, Jan. 17.* By Letters from Leghorn we are informed, that a Venetian Frigate of War, and an English Vessel laden with Corn, had both perished at Sea in the Course of the preceding Week, the first near Messina, and the last off the Island of Lys, but that the Crews of them had been saved. The same Letters add, that the Corsairs of Barbary are grown so audacious as to attack indifferently all Ships they meet, without regarding either their Passports or their Flags.

*Turin, Jan. 20.* The Quantity of Silk usually produced in this Kingdom, having fallen very short last Year, the King, at the Request of the Manufacturers of that Commodity, has caused a new Edict to be published, strictly prohibiting the Exportation of it to Foreign Countries. The sending of Oxen out of this Kingdom is likewise prohibited. Orders are sent to Nice to prepare