

augment the present Duties; nor to raise the Nominal Value of the current Coin; nor to employ the Revenues of the Crown, raised for the Support of the Militia, to any other Use; nor to make any Alteration in the Manufactures established for the Advantage of the Commerce and Navigation of this Kingdom; nor to introduce any new Law by his own Authority; nor, in Case of the Death of her present Majesty, to marry any other than a Protestant Prince, and first acquainting the States with such his Intention.

*Venice, April 23.* The Pope has granted the necessary Bulls, and as a Mark of being entirely satisfied with the Behaviour of the Republick, has allowed them the Privilege of nominating to three Bishopricks in the Dogado. The Inundations occasioned by the late heavy Rains have done considerable Damages in several Parts of this State, particularly in the Polesine, where the Adige has broke its Banks, and overflowed a large Tract of Land.

*Venlo, May 1.* Last Monday a Fire broke out at Brugge, a small Town a little Distance from hence, which burnt with such Violence, that the principal Church, and several Houses adjoining, were soon reduced to Ashes.

*Hague, May 4.* We hear that Mess. Benthem and Godyn, Deputies to the Council of State on the Part of the Provinces of Guelderland and Utrecht, are appointed to repair to Maestricht, in order to visit the Fortifications and Magazines of that Place. His Serene Highness the Prince of Orange has disposed of the Regiment of Foot of the late Baron d'Eck Pantaleon, in Favour of Major General Leli, and that vacant by the Death of Count Wartensleben, in Favour of the Prince of Stolberg. On Friday last we received the melancholy News of a Fire's breaking out on the 26th past at Osch, one of the most considerable Towns in the Mayoralty of Bois-le-duc; and tho' it happened about Two o'Clock in the Afternoon, and consequently they had all the Succour possible, it burnt with such prodigious Violence, that the great Church, together with upwards of 100 Houses, were reduced to Ashes; some Persons, and a considerable Number of Cattle, perished in the Flames.

*Whitehall, April 27.*

The King has been pleased to grant unto the Right Honourable James Earl Waldegrave, the Offices of Steward of the Dutchy of Cornwall, and of the Borough and Manor of Bradninch in the County of Devon, and Steward of all the Castles, Manors and Lands within the Counties of Cornwall and Devon, Parcel of the said Dutchy; and of Warden and Steward of the Stannaries and of the Stannary Courts; and of Rider and Master of the Forest and Chace of Dartmore, Parcel of the said Dutchy, during his Majesty's Pleasure.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Jonathan Wells, Esq; the Office of Steward, or the Stewardship of all the Lordships, Manors, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments to his Majesty's Honor and Castle of Windsor in the County of Berks belonging; and also of all his Majesty's Courts of Record in the same; and also the Office of Clerk to the Constable of his Majesty's said Castle of Windsor, and the Office of Clerk of his Majesty's said Castle, and of Keeper of the Seals of the said Courts, in the room of George Proctor, Esq; lately deceased.

April 19, 1751.

### General Post Office.

Whereas the Post-Boy bringing the Cirencester Mail to this Office, was Yesterday Morning, between Two and Three of the Clock, on Gerrard's Cross Common, between Wickham and Uxbridge, attacked and robbed by a single Highwayman, mounted on a Bay Mare, who carried off the said Mail, which contained the following Bags of Letters, viz.

Bristol,	Worcester,
Exeter,	Birmingham,
Tiverton,	Wolverhampton,
Taunton,	Woodstock,
Wellington,	Bath,
Bridgewater,	Cirencester,
Wells,	Gloucester,
Oxford,	Thame,
Burford,	Wickham,
Witney,	Beconsfield,
Chipping-norton,	Gerrard's Cross,
Campden,	Abingdon, and
Evesham,	Farringdon.

The Person who committed this Robbery, was a tall lusty black Man, about Six Feet high, between Forty and Fifty Years of Age, marked with the Small Pox, and had on a blue Surtout or Horseman's Coat, and under it a dark coloured one, with white Metal Buttons, and wore a black or dark coloured Wig, and rode upon a large Brown Bay Horse or Mare, Fifteen Hands high, with a bald Face, and a dark black Mane, the Tail lately docked and nicked, the Wounds not healed.

This therefore is to give Notice, 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, over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Person or Persons, whether Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery, whereby the Person, who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer or Discoverers will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intitled to the same Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, and also have His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Post-Master-General,  
George Shelvocke, Secretary.

Tower of London, April 26, 1751.

The Lieutenant General and Principal Officers of his Majesty's Ordnance give Notice, that they will sell by publick Auction, on Tuesday the 21st of May next, sundry Lotts of Parchment, Paper and Cotton Cartridges, Tann'd Hides, Handscrews, Drums, Shovels, Spades, Leather Coats for Firemen, Woolpacks, Tents, Match, Tarr'd Rope, Breechings, Tacklefalls, and other old and unserviceable Stores lying in the Tower, where they may be viewed till the Time of Sale; and printed Lists of the Lotts will be delivered to such Persons as apply for the same.

By Order of the Board,  
Charles Bush.

South Sea House, London, April 25, 1751.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That a General Court of the said Company will be held at this House on Friday the 10th of next Month, at Eleven in the Forenoon, on special Affairs.

Mercers Hall, April 25, 1751.

The President, Vice-President and Council of the Society of the Free British Fishery, do hereby give Notice, That a General Court will be held on special Affairs, on Saturday the 4th of May next, at Ten for Eleven precisely, at this Place; when all Persons duly qualified are desired to attend.

By Order of the Council,  
John Lockman, Secretary.

April 23, 1751.

Notice is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Trustees for the River L E E, will be held by Adjournment at the Bull Inn at Hoddesdon in the County of Hertford, on Friday the 17th Day of May next, at Ten in the Forenoon.

Bos. Toller, Clerk to the Trustees.