

*Petersbourg, Dec. 14.* The Preparations that were making for her Imperial Majesty's Journey to Moscow are suspended for the present. On Friday last her Imperial Majesty's Birth Day was celebrated at Court as usual, when Mr. Funck, the new Polish Envoy Extraordinary to this Court, had his first private Audience, and delivered his Credential Letters. We have received Advice by the Way of Astracan, that the Sophi of Persia, being greatly alarmed at the considerable Progress made by Prince Heraclius in Ghilan, had marched with a powerful Force into that Province, and totally defeated that Prince's Army, after a desperate Engagement. The same Advices add, that this important Victory will, in all Probability, entirely re-establish the Tranquillity of Persia.

*Stockholm, Dec. 16.* On Thursday last his Swedish Majesty conferred the Dignity of Count on the Baron de Lowen, Governor of Pomerania, on the Baron de Rosen, Commander in Chief of the Swedish Troops in Finland, and on some others. And at the same Time Vice Admiral Kiddarstolpe, and the Majors General Ackerhielm and Kulbars, had the Title of Barons conferred on them.

*Hambourg, Dec. 24.* By several private Letters received here from Franckfort upon the Mayne we have Advice, that the Protestants have at length obtained Permission to build themselves a Church in that City, and the same is accordingly to be begun next Spring.

*Vienna, Dec. 25.* Notwithstanding the repeated Advices received here of the Plague's being entirely ceased at Constantinople, her Hungarian Majesty has sent fresh Orders to the Officers commanding her Troops upon the Frontiers of Hungary towards Turkey, to continue taking the same Precautions they have hitherto done, in order to prevent that fatal Distemper's being brought into her Dominions. By Letters from Peterwaradin we have Advice, that the two new Magazines of Ammunition and Provisions, lately erected there, have been entirely reduced to Ashes, without any Person's being able to give the least Account how the Accident happened.

*Hague, Jan. 4.* Her Royal Highness the Princess Governante has approved of the Nominations that have been presented to her of the Magistrates of Amsterdam, Turgau and Gorcum for the Year ensuing. M. Bedaulx is appointed by her Royal Highness Colonel Commandant of the Regiment of Major General Thierry. By Letters from Italy we are informed, that Count Stampa, Knight of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and General of Foot in the Service of their Imperial Majesties, died at Milan on the 15th of last Month in the 72d Year of his Age.

British Linnen Office, Edinburgh,  
December 19, 1751.

The Directors of the British Linnen Company hereby give Notice, That a General Court of the Proprietors of the said Company will be held here, on Monday the 30th of February ensuing.

Whitehall, December 27, 1751.

**T**HE Duke of Newcastle having received a Letter, by the General Post, dated Bury, December 22, 1751; If the Person, who wrote it, will attend Him, at His House, in Lincoln's Inn Fields, or at His Office at Whitehall, and there make, and prove, the Discovery, mentioned in the Letter; He may be assured of all fitting Encouragement, and a very handsome Reward.

Admiralty Office, Dec. 23, 1751.

Notice is hereby given, that a Session of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery for the Trial of Offences committed on the High Seas within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England, will be held on Tuesday the 18th Day of February next, at Justice Hall in the Old Baily, London, at Eight of the Clock in the Morning.

J. Cleveland.

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.

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| 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.

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