

they have lately taken two Barks, on board of which were found 572 Fuzils, a great Quantity of Matches, and 70 Barrels of Gun Powder. We learn from Massa, that the Duke of Modena, accompanied by the Hereditary Prince, has visited the Work of a new Port, which is building at the Mouth of the River Lavenza, and that his Serene Highness shewed great Satisfaction to find the Works in such good Order.

Bern, Aug. 16. A Body of Peasants, of the Frontiers of Burgundy, to the Number of 50 or 60, some of them armed, have broke in upon the Swiss Territory in the Bayliwick of Nyon, in the Pays de Vaud; their View was to seize on a Mountain, which has been formerly in Dispute, and on which the People of the Country graze their Cattle in Summer; they drove the Subjects of the Canton from the Post, wounded three of them, and carried off about 50 Head of Cattle. The Bayliff of Nyon, M. Sturler, at the same Time that he informed the Senate here of this Act of Violence, applied for Redress to the Intendant of Burgundy; but before he could send his Orders for putting a Stop to these Outrages, the French Peasants had made a second Incurfion, in which some Shot were exchanged on both Sides, though without any Mischief on either. The Bourgoignons remained Masters of the Mountain in Dispute, which, though it might formerly belong to the Convent of St. Claude, has constantly and avowedly, within these hundred Years, been comprehended in the Limits of the Canton of Bern; and particularly in a new Limitation that was settled, and very exactly described two Years ago, between the Intendant of Burgundy, and the Bayliff of Nyon, was again included within the Boundaries, and as Part of the Swiss Territory. Upon the Receipt of this Advice, M. Lerber, Commissary General, was sent to make the proper and strongest Representations to M. Chavigny the French Ambassador, on these Outrages, who has given M. Lerber the strongest Assurances of the King his Master's disapproving these Acts of Violence, and promised, that he would write immediately both to the Intendant of Burgundy, and to his Court, in such a Manner, as he did not doubt would soon procure the Canton of Bern all the Satisfaction, Redress and Security they could reasonably expect.

Berlin Aug. 21. The King, accompanied by Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick, and several General Officers, arrived here from Potzdam on Friday Morning, and went to dine with the Queen Dowager at Montbijou. It is determined, that the Troops which are to form the Camp at Dobritz, shall go into the same on the first of next Month; and that they are to be commanded, under the King, by the Field Marshals Schwerin, Kalchsteyns, and Keith.

Hague, Aug. 26. Baron Haaren, is arrived at Soestdyk from Brussels, where he was most

graciously received by her Royal Highness the Princess Governante, and the most Serene Family. They write from Brussels, that Count Cobentzel, who arrived there from Vienna on the 19th of this Instant, set out from thence two Days afterwards, in order to make a Tour through Flanders.

Whitehall, August 23, 1753

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That, on Friday last, the 17th Instant, a Letter, directed "To Mr. Browning, Woodcot, at Epsom, "Surry", was received by the said Mr. Browning, by the General Post, the Words of which Letter are, as follow, viz. — "If you do not, immediately upon "the Receipt of this, lay Twenty Pound, at the "Foot of the Starting Post, upon the Downs, that "it may be ready any Time of the Night, you may "depend, that you or yours shall be treated with the "utmost Severity, the first Opportunity that offers; "so, beware, and comply with this Demand, or, "expect my Vengeance, and take what follows, "from Y & X Z". — His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice, the Person or Persons principally concerned in writing and sending the said threatening Letter, as aforesaid, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon, to any one of them, who shall discover his, or her, Accomplice, or Accomplices, therein, so that he, she, or they, being principally concerned in the same, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

And as a further Encouragement, I do hereby, promise a Reward of Thirty Guineas, to any Person, or Persons, making such Discovery as aforesaid, to be paid upon the Conviction of the principal Offender, or Offenders, by me,

John Browning.

London, March 17, 1753.
General Post-Office.

Whereas a Person of about Six Feet high, Fifty Years of Age, of a Swarthy Complexion, much pitted with the Small Pox, and wore a darkish coloured Coat, and a brown Bob Wig, came last Night, about Six of the Clock, to the Shop of Mr. Thomas Harding, Goldsmith, in the Minories, and bought of him a straight bodied Silver Tankard, Weight 25 oz. 18 dwt, with the Letters C. D. marked, by his Desire, on the Handle thereof; and the said Person having given, in Payment for the said Tankard, a Bank Post Bill, which was taken out of the Cirencester Mail, which was robbed on the 18th of April, 1751, and indorsed the said Bank Post Bill by the Name of Charles Dew.

This is therefore to give Notice to all Goldsmiths and others, to whom the said Tankard may be offered in Sale, that whoever apprehends, or causes to be apprehended the Person above described, who is strongly suspected of having been a Principal, or an Accomplice in the said Robbery, shall, upon Conviction, be entitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen.

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