

Whitehall, March 19.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint the Right Honourable John Earl of Ashburnham to be Lieutenant, and Custos Rotulorum, of, and in the County of Sussex,

Whitehall, February 26, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that in the Night between Monday the 11th and Tuesday the 12th Instant, two Persons, with Ladders, and one of them being armed with a very long Knife, or Hanger, forcibly broke through the Windows into the Bedchamber of the Dwelling-House of James Poulton, (Park-Keeper to the Honourable Philip Yorke, Esq;) at Wrest, in the County of Bedford; and, after violently assaulting and beating the said James Poulton; and also, after assaulting and striking his Wife, proceeded (with the most dreadful Threats of murdering both of them immediately, if they offered to make any Resistance,) to rifle, and to take, the said James Poulton, in the said House, of Money, Wearing Apparel, and other Things, to the Value of about Thirty Pounds; and afterwards, made their Escape; and whereas there is Reason to suspect that, besides the two Persons above-mentioned, there might be other Accomplices in the said Housebreaking and Robbery, (who they did not appear;) His Majesty, for the better discovering, and bringing to Justice, the Persons concerned in the same, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them (except the two Persons who actually broke into the said House,) who shall discover his, or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

#### HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

And, as a further Encouragement, the Honourable Philip Yorke, Esq; does hereby, promise a Reward of Sixty Pounds to any Person, or Persons, who shall make Discovery of either, or both, of the Persons, who broke into the House, and committed the Robbery, as above-mentioned, so that they, or either of them, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

N. B. One of the Persons above-mentioned is about five Feet seven Inches high; and the other is a stout well made Man, about five Feet nine Inches high.

Whitehall, March 16, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That on Friday the 18th of January last, John Spurrill, (commonly known by the Name of Sparrier,) and his Wife, were most inhumanly murdered, in their Dwelling House at Hopcroft's Hole, (alone House) in the Parish of Sceptle Aston, in the County of Oxford; His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons who committed the said Murders, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of the Persons concerned therein, except the Person or Persons who actually committed the said Murders, who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices in the same, so that he, she or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

#### HOLDERNESSE.

And as a further Encouragement, His Grace the Duke of Marlborough does hereby promise a Reward of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons making such Discovery, (except the Person or Persons who actually committed the said Murders) to be paid upon the Conviction of one or more of the said Murderers.

General Post Office, March 2, 1754.

Whereas the Post Boy, bringing the Kent Mail to this Office, upon Thursday the 28th of February last, was, between the Hours of Eight and Nine of the Clock in the Evening, attacked and robbed, at a Place called Snipps Hill, about a Mile beyond Sittingborn by three Footpads, one of whom fired a Pistol, seized the Horse which carried the Mail, beat the said Post Boy cruelly, and cut the Mail from the Horse and carried it away.

Two of the Persons who committed this Robbery are described as short Men, dressed like Sailors; and the other a tall Man in a red Coat.

This is therefore to give Notice, That whoever shall apprehend and convict, the Persons, or any of them 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, do, or shall make Discovery, whereby any one, or more of the Persons, who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer, or Discoverers will, upon Conviction of any one, or more of the said Robbers, 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,  
Geo. Shelvocke, Secretary.

N. B. This Mail was afterwards found and brought safe to the Office.

Office of Ordnance, Tower of London,

March 14, 1754.

The Lieutenant-General and rest of the Principal Officers of his Majesty's Ordnance do hereby give Notice to such Persons as are willing to furnish Carts, Horses and Drivers, for his Majesty's Service, to be employed in carrying Salt Petre, Guns, Carriages, and other Stores and Habilitments of War, to and from the Storehouses, Magazines, and Places in and about the Tower, the adjacent Wharfs, and other Places as far as Kensington; also to cart and take away the Rabbish, Ashes and Dirt bred and made in and about the Barracks, Guard-Rooms, Houses, Lodgings and Apartments belonging to the said Office, and to unload the same at the Place made Use of for that Purpose; That they may leave their Proposals here in Writing sealed up, on or before Thursday the 28th Instant: And those who offer the cheapest and best Terms will be contracted with.

By Order of the Board,

W. Bogdani.

Stamp-Office, March 16, 1754.

The Commissioners for managing his Majesty's Stamp Duties do hereby give Notice, That there is in their Office a Quantity of damaged and useless Parchment, Paper, and printed Blanks, to be disposed of to the best Advantage of the Revenue under their Care, which are intended to be sold by Weight; wherefore any Person or Persons, who are willing to purchase and pay ready Money for the same, are desired to send in their Proposals in Writing, sealed up and directed to the said Commissioners, on or before the 25th Instant: And every such Person or Persons, may, in the mean Time, by applying to the Warehouse-Keeper, have Liberty, during Office Hours, to view the said Parchment, Paper, and printed Blanks.

Navy.