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Whitehall, July 27, 1754.

WHEREAS, on the 17th Instant, a Written Paper of Verses was dropt in the Market Place at Oxford, containing the most infamous and audacious Expressions of Treason, Sedition, and Rebellion, and such false, wicked, and traitorous Aspersions of His Majesty's Sacred Person and Government, as must raise the utmost Indignation and Abhorrence in all those, who have any Sense of the Duty, and Gratitude, they so justly owe to His Majesty, or the least Regard to the Peace and Happiness of the Nation, under His Majesty's most mild and gracious Government; In order that the Author, or Authors, of the said presumptuous, seditious, and treasonable Paper, or any Person, or Persons, concerned in writing, publishing, or dropping the same, as aforesaid, may be discovered, and brought to the Punishment due to so high and heinous an Offence; These are, in His Majesty's Name, strictly to require and enjoin all His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and all other Civil Magistrates whatsoever, to make diligent Search after the Author or Authors, Publisher or Publishers, of the said seditious, treasonable, infamous, and abominable Paper, and that, on discovering him, her, or them, they do immediately apprehend and seize the said Person, or Persons, and carry him, her, or them, before a proper Magistrate, that the said Offender, or Offenders, may be prosecuted for the said Offence, according to the utmost Rigour of the Law. And all His Majesty's loving Subjects are hereby strictly charged, that they do use their utmost Endeavours to discover and apprehend the said Offender, or Offenders. And for the Encouragement of all Persons to be diligent and industrious in their Endeavours to make such Discovery, His Majesty does, hereby, promise a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds to any Person, or Persons, who shall discover the Author, or Authors, or Publisher, or Publishers, of the said detestable, treasonable, and seditious Paper, or any of them, so as such Offender, or Offenders, be convicted thereof: For the Payment of which aforesaid Reward, His Majesty hath given the necessary Orders to the Lords Commissioners of His Treasury.

HOLDERNESSE.

AT the Court at Kensington, the 6th Day of August 1754,

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to Order, That the Parliament which stands prorogued to Thursday the Eighth of this Instant August, should be further prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty Second Day of October next. And that the Convocations of the Provinces of Canterbury and York, which stand prorogued to Friday the Ninth of this Instant August, should be further prorogued to Wednesday the Twenty Third Day of October next.

Lisbon, June 25. The King has received, by a Courier from Rome, the Pope's Approbation of his Majesty's Nomination of Cardinal Attalaya to be Patriarch of this City, and he will shortly be installed into that high Dignity. The three Men of War, that have been for some Time equipping in this Port, are to sail To-morrow, under the Command of Commodore Brito, on a Cruize against the Corsairs of Barbary, who greatly interrupt the Navigation of these Seas. Last Week the two Ships that sailed from hence some Time ago with Provisions for Mazagan, returned safe from thence, and brought an Account, that a Detachment of Horse of that Garrison had lately had a smart Skirmish with a large Body of Moors, whom they had put to Flight, having killed about Twenty, amongst whom were two of their Chiefs, and wounded and taken several others.

Gibraltar, June 28. We are informed by our last Advices from Tunis, that the Corsairs of that Place have proved very unsuccessful in their late Cruizes against the Ships of the Christian Powers, having taken but very few Prizes, and consequently made but few Slaves.

Naples, July 5. Last Wednesday Morning the Queen was safely delivered of a Princess, which happy Event was soon after made known to the People, by a triple Discharge of the Cannon of the Castle of St. Elme.

Petersbourg, July 8. The Empress, who since her Return from Moscow has resided at the Summer Palace, set out from thence last Thursday for Petershorff, and was saluted at her Departure by a triple Discharge of the Cannon of the Fortress, and of all the Ships at Anchor in this Port. The Great Princess advances happily in her Pregnancy.

Leghorn, July 9. They write from Corfica, that since the Retreat of the Rebels from before Bastia, the Marquis de Grimaldi has caused some new Batteries to be raised, and many new Works to be added for the better Defence of that Place; the Garrison is also greatly augmented, and they doubt not of giving the Rebels a warm Reception in Case they return.

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