

ago, in order to take Possession of that Employment.

Naples, July 30. The King had lately a Return of his Fever, and continued indisposed several Days, but is again recovered. On Friday Morning came Advice of the Death of the Duke de la Vieuville, Vice-Roy of Sicily.

Lisbon, July 31. For about a Week past, this Court has been in great Alarms, on Account of the Queen Dowager, whose Life was despaired of on the 26th Instant; but the Physicians now think her Majesty so far relieved, as to begin to entertain Hopes of her Recovery.

Vienna, July 31. Their Imperial Majesties returned here the Day before Yesterday from Schonbrun, and honoured Field Marshal Prince Lichtenstein with their Company at Dinner. M. Crifelli, the new Nuncio from the Pope to this Court, arrived here last Sunday Night.

Berlin, August 6. Last Sunday, during the Time of Divine Service, we had a great Storm, accompanied with terrible Claps of Thunder. The Lightning fell upon the Churches of the Holy Trinity and St. Mary. The former was in an Instant filled with a very stinking Smoke, which almost suffocated the Congregation; but the Church received little Damage. The Marriage of Count de Konigsmark, Colonel Commandant of the Regiment of Foot of Forcade, with the eldest Daughter of Count de Haacke, Commandant of this City, will be celebrated this Evening with great Magnificence. By the last Letters from Prussia we learn, that M. de Roeder, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, in his Majesty's Service, and Bailiff and Intendant of the District of Barthen, &c. died, on the 27th of last Month, at Pillau, in the 60th Year of his Age.

Hanau, August 8. The Landgrave of Hesse Cassel, our Serene Sovereign, arrived last Friday Night in perfect Health at Philipruhe, and was saluted, as he passed near this City, by a triple Discharge of the Cannon of our Ramparts.

Hagut, August 13. Field Marshal Louis de Wolfembutte, who has been to visit the Fortifications of Gueldres, Overysseel and Groninguen, is returned here. The States of Holland and Westfrizeland will assemble on the 20th Instant, for which Purpose the necessary Summons have been sent to the respective Provinces. Their Royal and Serene Highnesses propose to make a Tour to Rotterdam, at which Place great Preparations are making for their Reception. The Corps of M. van Hees, President of the High Council of Holland, was brought here Yesterday Morning from Berkee, in order to be interred with the Remains of his Ancestors.

Victualling Office, August 19, 1754.

The Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 11th of December next, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as may be willing to undertake the furnishing His Majesty's Ships with Foyal Wines, that shall touch at that Island: The Conditions of the Contract may be seen at the Secretary's Office at the Victualling Office, London, or by applying to his Majesty's Consul at Lisbon; or his Majesty's Vice Consul at Foyal.

East India House, August 14, 1754.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenball Street, on Wednesday the 25th Day of September next, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon.

East India House, August 14, 1754.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That the Transfer Books for the said Company's $3\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent. Annuities, will be shut on Friday the 13th Day of September next, at Two of the Clock, and opened again on Wednesday the 16th Day of October following.

That the Transfer Books for the said Company's 3 per Cent. Annuities, will be shut on Saturday the 14th Day of September next, at Two of the Clock, and opened again on Thursday the 17th Day of October following.

And that the Dividend Warrants both for the said $3\frac{1}{2}$ and 3 per Cent. Annuities, due on the 10th of October next, will be delivered on Wednesday the 6th Day of November following.

N. B. The Possessors of the Company's Mark'd Bonds and Certificates for East India Annuities, are desired to bring them in to be made Stock before the shutting of the Books, as otherwise Warrants for the next Dividends due thereon cannot be made out.

No Certificates or Permits will be taken in to be made Stock during the Time the Books are shut.

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.

General Post-Office, April 13, 1754.

Publick Notice is hereby given, That a Mail for Corunna, including the Letters to Oporto, will, for the Future, be made up, and forwarded, from this Office, every Tuesday; and that all such Letters, for Oporto, as are intended to pass by the Way of Lisbon, must be marked accordingly, otherwise they will, in Course, be forwarded by the Corunna Mail.

By Command of the Postmaster-General,
Geo. Shelvocke, Secretary.