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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.

Bastia, Aug. 9. On Wednesday last the Marquess Doria, our new Commissary General, arrived here from Genoa with a Reinforcement of 300 Men. He is at present employed in consulting, with his Predecessor the Marquess de Grimaldi, the necessary Means of frustrating the Designs of the Malecontents. When these Things are settled, the Marquess de Grimaldi will return to Genoa.

Milan, Aug. 17. The Conferences that were begun at Vaprio, for regulating the Limits of the Emptess Queen, of Hungary and the Republick of Venice, being suspended till next Spring, the Great Chancellor Count Christiani, her Imperial Majesty's Commissary, is expected here this Night from thence, in order to make Preparations for the Reception of the Duke of Modena, who is expected here next Tuesday. The strict Searches that have been lately made by the Farmers of the Duty on Tobacco, in private Houses, and even in those of the Ecclesiasticks, have caused such Murmurings amongst the Inhabitants, that 'tis feared, if these Things are not executed for the Future with less Rigour, some Commotions or other will happen on their Account.

Marseilles, Aug. 18. The Lys, Capt. Ponts, who arrived here a few Days ago from Martinico, fell in with an Algerine Corsair on the 19th of last Month, off Cape St. Mary, who, after obliging her to produce her Passports, suffered