

being seated at two Tables provided for them, each of 100 Covers; and at Night there was a Drawing Room. Count Christiani, Minister Plenipotentiary from the Empress Queen to the Government of Austrian Lombardy, is arrived here from Milan, and has laid before their Imperial Majesties an Account of the State of Affairs in that Country.

Brussels, Oct. 14. The Elders of the different Companies in this City have given their Consent to an Augmentation, for five Years, of the Duties upon Coffee, Tea, and Chocolate, as also upon Wine and Cards; by Virtue of which, Tea is to pay an additional Duty of Fifteen-pence a Pound, Coffee Six-pence, and Chocolate Eight-pence; Wine Two-pence a Bottle, and Cards Two-pence a Pack: And 'tis hoped that the Elders of the Cities of Antwerp and Machlin will likewise Consent to this Augmentation.

Hague, Oct. 17. Her Royal Highness the Princess Governante, and her Family, returned this Afternoon in perfect Health from Soestdyk.

Whitehall, October 22, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That the Dwelling-house of William Marshall, of Leeds in the County of York, Merchant, was, in the Night, betwixt the 13th and 14th of this Instant October, broke open, and a considerable Sum of Money feloniously taken thereout: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons concerned therein, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any Person, who shall discover his, or her, Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

T. ROBINSON.

And as a farther Encouragement, the said Mr. Marshall does hereby promise a Reward of Twenty Pounds to any Person or Persons making such Discovery, to be paid on the Conviction of one or more of the Offenders.

William Marshall.

General Post Office, October 14, 1754.

Whereas the Post Boy carrying the Hungerford Branch Mail, dispatched from this Office on Thursday the 10th Instant, was, upon Saturday last, between Morden and Lavington in the County of Wilts, attacked and robbed, by two Highwaymen, who opened the said Mail, and took thereout the Lavington and Titehead Bags of Letters, and likewise took from the Post Boy five Shillings, and otherwise used him very cruelly.

The only Description that is yet come to hand, of the two Persons who committed this Robbery, is, that the one was mounted upon a black Horse or Mare, the other upon a brown one.

This is therefore to give Notice, That whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the two Persons, or either 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 the Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof,

do, or shall make Discovery, whereby both, or either of the Persons, who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer, or Discoverers will, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties, 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.

Mine Office, Upper St. Thomas the Apostle's,
October 25, 1754.

This is to give Notice, That a General Court of the Governor and Company of the Mine Adventurers of England, will be held at this Office on Thursday the 14th Day of November next, at Twelve at Noon, for the Election of a Governor, Deputy Governor, and twelve Directors for the Year ensuing, pursuant to the Terms of the Charter and Act of Parliament relating to the Affairs of the said Company: And that the Transfer Books will be shut from and after Thursday the 11th, and opened again on Thursday the 21st of the said Month of November.

M. O'Connor, Secretary.

WHEREAS the Town of Southampton is one of the most ancient, and was formerly one of the most considerable trading Sea-Ports in the Kingdom, and is so advantageously situated, that the present Decay of its Trade has been Matter of universal Wonder; and has been generally thought to be owing to the Town Dues, called Petty Customs, payable on Goods and Merchandizes, whereby the Merchants, not free, are discouraged from trading at the said Town. We, therefore, the Mayor, Bailiffs and Burgeses, of the said Town of Southampton, in Common Council assembled, this 25th Day of October 1754, for the Encouragement and Revival of the Trade thereof, have unanimously come to the following Resolutions, and do hereby resolve, order, and agree, as follows, viz.

That no Petty Customs shall be demanded or paid for any Goods or Merchandizes whatsoever, to be imported at either of the Keys of this Town, from any Parts of Africa or America; or to be exported, from either of the said Keys, to any of the said Parts, for the Space of twenty-one Years now next ensuing: And that if by this Encouragement the Trade of the said Town shall be revived, and considerably increased, the said Term shall hereafter be enlarged;

That any Merchants, inclinable to carry on any other foreign Trade here, shall, on Application to the Mayor, be treated with, and allowed to compound with the Common Council for the said Duties, upon the most reasonable Terms, for a certain Number of Years, or otherwise: And if they please to come and reside here, their Encouragement shall be the greater.

In Testimony whereof, We have caused this Order to be entred in our Journal; and do hereby direct, that the same be published in the London Gazette. Signed by Order of the Common Council, by me,

John Godfrey, Town Clerk.