

of Holland and Westfrizeland will open their ordinary Assembly; for which Purpose most of the Members are already arrived: Yesterday the new Council and Magistrates of this Place were sworn in for the Year ensuing, and took their respective Seats in the accustomed Manner.

Whitehall, December 2.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Charles Saunders, Thomas Slade, William Bately, Daniel Devert, Richard Hall, Robert Osborn, George Adams, Arthur Scott, Frederick Rogers, Richard Hughes the Younger, and Thomas Cooper, Esqrs. Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint William Blair, Mathew Kenrick, John Barnard, and Robert Thompson, Esqrs. together with George Whitmore, Esq; in the room of Richard Shelley, Esq; deceased, to be Commissioners for managing the Stamp Duties.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Edward Younge, Henry Kelsall, Joseph Richardson, Christopher Rigby, and Richard Frankland, Esqrs. together with John Trenchard, Esq; in the room of John Bromfield, Esq; to be Commissioners of Taxes.

General Post-Office, London, Oct. 24, 1755.

Whereas a Number of Pacquet-Boats are provided and established, at Falmouth, for carrying on a regular Monthly Correspondence between these Kingdoms and His Majesty's Islands in the West-Indies; and also to and from the several Colonies on the Continent of North-America;

Public Notice is hereby given to all Merchants, and others, whom it may concern, That Letters and Packets for the said Islands, and Colonies on the Continent of North-America, will be taken in and received, at this Office, from the Date hereof, upon their being paid for, after the Rates, settled by Act of Parliament, as under-mentioned, viz.

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From London to the Islands of Barbadoes Antegoa, Mountserratt, Nevis, St. Christophers and Jamaica,	For a Single Letter	1	6
	a Double Letter	3	0
	a Treble Letter	4	6
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From London to New-York, New-England, Virginia, Maryland, and all the other Colonies on the Con- tinent of North-America,	For a Single Letter	1	0
	a Double Letter	2	0
	a Treble Letter	3	0
	an Ounce	—	4 0

The first Mail of Letters, for the several Islands in the West-Indies, will be made up, and dispatched from this Office, upon Saturday the 8th Day of November next, and be continued on the First Saturday of every Month following.

The first Mail of Letters, by the way of New-York, for the several Colonies on the Continent of North-America, will be made up and dispatched from this Office, upon the 15th of the said Month of November next, and so be continued on the Second Saturday of every Month throughout the Year.

The full Postage of the above Letters and Packets must be paid at the Time of their Delivery into this Office, or at the Receiving-Houses in Town; And all such as are put into the several Post-Houses in Great-Britain and Ireland, must, over and above the said Rates, pay also the full Inland Postage to London, without which they cannot be forwarded from hence.

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

East India House, London, Nov. 19, 1755.

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 East India Annuities at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent. will be shut on Monday the 15th of December, and for the Annuities at 3 per Cent. on Tuesday the 16th of December, in order to ascertain the respective Sums standing in the Names of the Annuitants, in Conformity to the Act of Parliament of the 23d of His present Majesty, which directs that the Interest of the Annuities at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent. per Annum should determine and cease at Christmas 1755, and from that Time should commence at 3 per Cent. per Ann. the Transfer Books for which will be opened on the 15th of January next.

And they further give Notice, that Warrants for 2 s. 6 d. per Cent. on the $3\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent. Annuities (being the Difference between 3 per Cent. and $3\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent. Annuities for the Quarter due at Christmas next Old Stile) will be made out to the Proprietors thereof, and be delivered and paid the 29th of January next.

N. B. The Transfer Days for the Stock will be on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday; and Annuities on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Office of Ordnance, Tower of London,
Nov. 13, 1755.

The Principal Officers of his Majesty's Ordnance do hereby give Notice, that whatsoever will discover to them any Fire Arms concealed in any Part of Great Britain, so as the same may be properly secured till his Majesty's Pleasure shall be known therein, the Name or Names of the Person or Persons who shall make such Discovery shall be concealed, if required, and he or they shall receive, as a Reward for the same, after the Rate of Twenty Five Pounds for every 100 Arms, and so in Proportion be the Number more or less.

By Order of the Board,
William Bogdani.

Admiralty Office, Nov. 15. 1755.

Notice is hereby given, to all Sea Officers who are absent with Leave, from my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that it is their Lordships Directions, that they return to England, within six Months after the Date hereof; or they will forfeit all the Half-Pay that may be due to them.

J. Cleveland.

South Sea House, London, Dec. 2, 1755.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That the Transfer Books of New South Sea Annuities First Subscription will be shut on Thursday the 18th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Thursday the 29th of January next.

That the Transfer Books of New South Sea Annuities Second Subscription will be shut on Wednesday the 17th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Wednesday the 28th of January next.

That the Transfer Books of the 3 per Cent. Annuities 1751, will be shut on Monday the 22d Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Monday the 19th of January next.

That the Transfer Books of the Capital Stock will be shut on Monday the 22d Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Friday the 6th of February next.

That the Warrants for the Half Year's Interest, due on the 5th of January next, on the New South Sea Annuities First and Second Subscriptions, will be paid on Tuesday the 10th of February next; on which Day the Transfer Books of New South Sea Annuities First Subscription will be shut.

And that the Warrants for the Half Year's Dividend on the Capital Stock, also due on the 5th of January next, will be paid on Saturday the 14th of February next.