

Brussels, Jan. 30. We are informed from Dunkirk, that on the 27th Instant, all the English Vessels at that Place were stop'd, and their Crews (amounting to about 50 Men) sent to Prison. The Vessels seized, are two Colliers, two Sloops, one London Trader, and four Cutters. We don't yet hear however, that War has been declared by the Court of France. All our Advices from the Frontiers agree, that Troops are marching from all Parts towards the Coast of Normandy; and that Orders have been issued for compleating the Militia all over the Kingdom, and for augmenting the same from 500 to 590 Men per Battalion. The Empress Queen has granted Letters Patent, bearing Date the 7th Instant, for the Erection of a new Lottery in the Low Countries, for raising the Sum of Four Millions of Florins Exchange Money, amounting to about Four Hundred Thousand Pounds Sterling. This Lottery is to consist of Twenty Thousand Tickets at Two Hundred Florins each, and to be divided into Ten Classes, the first of which (consisting of 2000 Tickets) is to be drawn the 15th of May next ensuing, and the same Number of Tickets every Year, till the whole is drawn; each Ticket undrawn bearing an Interest of Four per Cent. Her Majesty, to secure the Payment of this Money, engages the Revenues, not only of the Low Countries, but also of her hereditary Dominions in Germany.

Brussels, Feb. 4. Sixteen Battalions from different French Garrisons upon our Frontiers, are ordered to march directly towards the Coasts of Normandy, where, it is said, a considerable Body of Troops, and a large Train of Artillery, are to be assembled near Havre de Grace. Other Advices from several Parts of France agree, that all the Troops, that were in the interior Provinces, are moving towards the Coasts of Normandy and Brittany.

Whitehall, February 7.

The King has been pleas'd to constitute and appoint the following Lord and Gentlemen to be Majors General, viz.

James Kennedy, Esq;
 Lewis Dejeane, Esq;
 Henry Conway, Esq;
 James Abercrombie, Esq;
 The Right Hon. George Earl of Albemarle.
 Henry Holmes, Esq;
 Sir Andrew Agnew.
 Robert Napier, Esq;.

Whitehall, February 3, 1756.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that Mr. Thomas Davis, of St. Alban-street, near Pallmall, hath lately received by the Penny Post, an anonymous Letter, threatening, that if he don't clear Mr. Thompson, (a Person now under Sentence of Death in Newgate,) he, the said Davis, shall have a Present sent him of his Son's Heart, who is a Boy of Twelve Years of Age; That, if the said Thompson suffers, so sure shall one of his, the said Davis's Family, suffer likewise a crueller Death; and, containing several other menacing and shocking Expressions, with regard to the Certainty of the Execution of the above wicked De-

signs, against the said Mr. Davis and his Family; His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in Writing and sending the said anonymous threatening Letter, to the said Mr. Thomas Davis, is pleas'd to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his, or her, Accomplice, or Accomplices, in the said Facts, (except the Person who actually wrote the said anonymous threatening Letter) so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

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And, as a further Encouragement, I Thomas Davis, of St. Alban-street, near Pallmall, do hereby promise a Reward of Twenty Pounds to any Person, making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except the Person who actually wrote the said anonymous threatening Letter,) to be paid by me upon the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

Tho. Davis.

General Post Office, Sept. 20, 1755.

His Majesty's Postmaster General, for the further Improvement of Correspondence, having been pleas'd to order, That Letters shall for the future be convey'd, Six Days in every Week, instead of three Days as at present, betwixt London and Wobourn, Newport Pagnell, Northampton, Market Harborough, Leicester, Loughborough, Derby, and Nottingham, through Hertford, on the three additional Post Days.

And likewise betwixt London and Shiffnal, Shrewsbury, Stafford, Stone, Namptwich, Chelster, Middlewich, Northwich, Warrington, Liverpool, and Manchester, through Oxford, Worcester, Birmingham, and Wolverhampton, on the three additional Days.

And to order the Letters to be convey'd three Days a Week (instead of two Days as at present) betwixt London and Aimesbury.

Also to quicken the Communication by Post, betwixt Sheffield and the great North Road, through Doncaster: And the Correspondence between Manchester, Liverpool, Warrington, Chester, Gloucester, South Wales, Bristol, and the whole Cross Road: As well as between Liverpool, Manchester, Wigan, Preston, Lancaster, Kendal, and all Parts of Westmorland and Cumberland: And between Liverpool, and all Parts of Yorkshire, Durham, Northumberland, Scotland, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, Huntingdonshire, Cambridgeshire, and Norfolk.

Publick Notice is hereby given, that these several additional Conveyances, Improvements, and Regulations, will take Place from Friday the 10th Day of October next, being Michaelmas Day according to the Old Style.

And whereas great Numbers of Letters have hitherto been privately collected and delivered, as well in these as in other Parts of the Kingdom, contrary to Law, to the great Prejudice of the Revenue of the Post Office, Notice is likewise hereby given, that all Carriers, Coachmen, Watermen, Wherry-men, Dispersers of Country News Papers, and all other Persons whatsoever, hereafter detected in the illegal collecting, conveying or delivering of Letters, will be prosecuted with the utmost Severity.

N. B. The Penalty is Five Pounds for every Letter collected or delivered contrary to Law, and One Hundred Pounds for every Week this Practice is continu'd.

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

Admiralty