

“So no more from Your Ever Lasting Damnation  
“Seas You.”—And that it is apprehended that the  
Name John Burcett, in the said Letter, was intended to  
denote John Derbyshire Birkhead, Esq; a Justice of the  
Peace, acting for the said County, and living in the said  
Parish; and that such Letter was contrived, and wrote,  
by some malicious Person, or Persons, there, as the  
said Mr. Birkhead has had, within three Years past,  
several private Injuries done to his Property, and scan-  
dalous Papers have been affixed up, in the said Parish,  
reflecting on him for having done his Duty as a Mag-  
istrate: His Majesty, for the better discovering, and  
bringing to Justice, the Person, or Persons, principally  
concerned in contriving and writing the said Letter, is  
pleas'd to promise His most gracious Pardon, and also a  
Reward of One Hundred Pounds, to any one of them  
(except the Person who actually wrote the said Letter,)  
who shall discover his, or her, Accomplice, or Accom-  
plices in contriving and writing the same, so that he,  
she, or they, being principally concerned in the said Facts,  
may be apprehended and convicted thereof: The said Re-  
ward, of One Hundred Pounds to be paid by the Right  
Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's  
Treasury, to the Person making such Discovery as afore-  
said, upon the Conviction of one, or more of the Of-  
fenders.

**HOLDERNESSE.**

And, as a farther Encouragement, I, the said John  
Derbyshire Birkhead, of Illeworth, in the County of  
Middlesex, do, hereby, promise a Reward of Twenty  
Pounds to the Person making such Discovery, as afore-  
said, to be paid, by me, upon the Conviction of one or more of  
the Offenders.

John Derbyshire Birkhead.

Whitehall, February 16, 1756.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King,  
That on Sunday last, about the Hour of Nine at Night,  
James Moore, a Prisoner in the Gatehouse Prison, West-  
minster, and committed there for stealing, out of the  
Stables of William Underwood, a Brown Gelding, and  
a bright Bay Mare out of the Stables of George Williams,  
did make his Escape out of the said Prison: And  
whereas there is great Reason to believe, from the Cir-  
cumstances attending the said Escape, that some Person or  
Persons were privy to, and aiding and assisting in the  
Escape of the said James Moore, particularly some Per-  
son or Persons in the said Goal; His Majesty, for the  
better discovering and bringing to Justice, the Person or  
Persons privy to, or concerned in contriving, or in  
aiding and assisting in the Escape of the said  
James Moore, is pleas'd to promise His most gracious  
Pardon, (except the Person principally contriving or  
aiding and assisting in the Escape of the said James  
Moore, should prove to be the Turnkey of the said  
Prison) to any one of them, who shall discover the Per-  
son or Persons privy to, or concerned in contriving or  
aiding and assisting in the Escape of the said James  
Moore, so that he, she, or they, concerned therein, may  
be apprehended and convicted thereof; And His Majesty  
does also farther promise His most gracious Pardon, to  
any Accomplice of the said James Moore, who shall  
retake, or cause to be retaken, the said James Moore,  
so that he may be convicted of the Offence with which  
he stands charged:

**H. FOX.**

And, as a farther Encouragement, I John Maffett,  
Gent. at the Gatehouse Westminster, do hereby promise a  
Reward of Twenty Pounds to any Person or Persons  
apprehending and bringing to Justice the said James  
Moore, to be paid upon his Conviction.

John Maffett.

N. B. The said James Moore is about five Feet eight  
Inches high, inclined to be thin, his Hands and Face

much pitted with the Small Pox, of a brownish Com-  
plexion, about Nineteen Years old, tho' he appears to be  
about Twenty six, Left Handed, his right Hand lamish,  
wore his own short curled Hair, of a lightish Brown,  
was born at Bagshot in Surrey, had on when he made his  
Escape a whitish coloured Surtout Coat, with two Pat-  
ches near the Waist behind, two Waistcoats, one red and  
white Cherry Derry, with wrought Brass Buttons, the  
other Linen, dirty Leather Breeches, black rib'd Stock-  
ings, White Metal Buckles, and a tolerable good Hat  
flaped, wore a Neckcloth, and had brown Fustian  
Sleeves with two red Worsted Buttons. He had in his  
Pocket, sealed in a Piece of Paper, the Will and Power  
of Thomas Kirke, belonging to the Ramillies Man of  
War; dated in March 1755.

Whereas on the 27th Day of June last past, George  
Blight, an Officer to the Sheriff of the County of Corn-  
wall, (being in the Execution of his Office, levying a  
Sum of Money on the Goods and Chattles of John Cock,  
of Endellian in the said County, Esq; by Virtue of the  
said Sheriff's Warrant, on a Writ of fieri facias, issued  
out of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at West-  
minster, at the Suit of Arundell Cock, Gent.) was bur-  
barously Murdered by a Shot received from a Gun, fired  
at him by the said John Cock, and that at the last Assi-  
zes held for the said County, a Bill of Indictment was  
found against the said John Cock; for the said Murder;  
and that notwithstanding legal Processes have been  
issued on the said Indictment, and all possible Endeavours  
used for apprehending and bringing to Justice the said  
John Cock, the same have hitherto proved ineffectual;  
and the said John Cock, being invironed and protected  
by a Set of Smugglers and other desperate Persons, there  
is great Reason to believe that he will not be apprehended  
by the ordinary Course of Law: In order for the more  
speedy apprehending and bringing to Justice him the said  
John Cock, a Reward of One Hundred Pounds is hereby  
offered to any Person or Persons who shall apprehend  
him the said John Cock, and get him secured in one of  
His Majesty's Goals within the Kingdom of England;  
the said Reward to be paid by Mr. John Wallis, Junior,  
of Camelford in the said County, on the said John  
Cock's being tried and convicted of the said Murder.  
Feb. 1756. John Wallis, Jun.

General Post Office, Sept. 20, 1755.

His Majesty's Postmaster General, for the further Im-  
provement of Correspondence, having been pleased to or-  
der, That Letters shall for the future be conveyed, 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, Shrews-  
bury, Stafford, Stone, Namptwich, Chester, Mid-  
dlewich, Northwich, Warrington, Liverpool, and  
Manchester, through Oxford, Worcester, Birming-  
ham, and Wolverhampton, on the three additional  
Days.

And to order the Letters to be conveyed 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,  
Brittol, and the whole Cross Road: As well as be-  
tween Liverpool, Manchester, Wigan, Preston,  
Lancaster, Kendal, and all Parts of Westmorland  
and Cumberland: And between Liverpool, and all  
Parts of Yorkshire, Durham, Northumberland, Scot-  
land,