

Whitehall, March 21, 1758.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that in the Night of the 14th and 15th Instant, the Shop and Compting-house of Thomas Wagstaffe, Watch-maker, in Grace Church Street, London, were broke open and robbed of Watches and other Goods to the Value of 250 l. (as described in the following List) His Majesty, in order for the apprehending and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons who committed the said Robbery, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one who was concerned therein, who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

W. PITT.

And as a farther Encouragement, I the said Thomas Wagstaffe do hereby promise to pay a Reward of Twenty Guineas, to any Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, to be paid upon the Conviction of any one or more of the said Robbers.

Thomas Wagstaffe.

List of Watches and other Goods referred to by the above Advertisement, viz.

A Gold Watch, Name Thomas Wagstaffe, London, No. 969; a Gold Cylinder Watch in a Shagreen Case, Name John Fry junior, Melksham; a Silver Repeating Watch, Name David Lestourgeon, the Cases are new; a Silver Repeating Watch, Name Thomas Wagstaffe, London, No. 1343; a Cylinder Watch, capp'd and jewell'd, ditto Name, Cylinder broke; a Silver capp'd and jewell'd Watch, ditto Name, No. 1560; two Silver ditto jewell'd, ditto Name, No. 1590, 1651; two ditto, with Silver Plates, ditto Name, No. 2, and 1692; two ditto, ditto Name, No. 1714, 1715; a ditto, ditto Name, Number forgot; a ditto, ditto Name, Case Engine turn'd Edges, Number forgot; a ditto, ditto Name, No. 1682, or 83; a ditto Metal, green Shagreen Case, ditto Name, No. 1678; a ditto, Silver Cases, ditto Name, Number forgot; two ditto in the Boxes, without Cases, ditto Name, Numbers forgot; four ditto, Name James Cole, Norwich, Numbers forgot; a ditto, Name John Gilkes, Shipston, No. 1760; a ditto, Name Thomas West, Reading, No. 1623; two ditto, Name Charles Reynolds, No. 1687, 1722; four ditto, ditto Name, Numbers forgot; three ditto, Name William Walbank, No. 188, 189, 190, made for Caps, but they are not on; a Gold Watch, Name Tompion, in a Tortoiseshell Case; a ditto, Name Finch, No. 1753; a Metal Watch, Name Wagstaffe, London; a Metal Watch, Name Charles Reynolds, Case Engine turn'd; a Woman's Silver Watch Chain, Stone Seals, Stone Buttons, uncertain the Number; with other Watches or Goods not at present recollected.

Whitehall, March 25, 1758.

It having been humbly represented to the King, that, in the Night of the 21st or 22d of February last, at a Place called Copenhagen House, in the Parish of Saint Mary Islington, a Quantity of Leather, which Joseph Such, who lives at the said Place, and is a Carrier by Trade, was preparing for Sale, was stolen from the said Premises; and since, in the Night of the last Day of February, his Warehouse was broke open, and another Parcel of Leather, and most of his working Tools, stolen thereout. That two Men were seen near the said House, one in a light coloured Coat, the other supposed in dark coloured Cloaths; which Men were pursued by the said Joseph Such and his Servants, but they escaped by the Darkness of the Night: That in the Warehouse from whence the said Leather and Tools were stolen, he found a Letter directed to "Gipsey Soutch or his Wife" of which the following is a Copy, viz.

gipsey Soutch

"time back you have we bused, we have them
"fast and will not let them lose, we will have our
"Revenge of you before we have done we will lay
"a trap we catch you if we can we worn't we catch
"you one of these Nights either Gipsey Soutch or
"his Wife and when we have you we will tell you
"ho we be but we worn't we will not let you go to
"tell any body else for we will blow your Brainsfe
"out and set fire of the House some night wen you
"little think of it so the Devil take take you all."

His Majesty for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons concerned in the said Robberies, and the Author or Authors of the said Letter,

(except the Person who wrote the said Letter) is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon, and also a Reward of Fifty Pounds to be paid by the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, to any one who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices in the said Robberies, and writing the said Letter (except as before excepted) to be paid upon the Conviction of any one or more of them.

W. PITT.

Office of Ordnance, March 14, 1758.

The Lieutenant General, and the rest of the Principal Officers of the Ordnance, give Notice to all Persons that are willing to supply His Majesty's Stores with Elm Plank, Elm and Oak Scantling, of well grown Timber, free from Shakes and Dead Knots, the Center Planks cut clean out, the Elm Plank to be well seasoned and perfectly dry, and the Oak quite free from Sap, that they may deliver their Proposals, sealed up, to the Office of Ordnance in the Tower, on or before Friday the 7th Day of April next; when their several Proposals will be taken into Consideration, and the lowest Bidder agreed with. In the mean Time, on Application to the said Office in the Tower, they will be informed of the particular Dimensions of the said Plank and Scantling.

By Order of the Board,

W. Bogdani.

Office of Ordnance, Tower of London,
March 21, 1758.

The Lieutenant-General and the rest of the Principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance give Notice to all such Persons as are willing to contract for Transporting about 145 Tons of Stores to Jamaica, and about 220 Tons to Antigua, that they may deliver their Proposals in Writing, sealed up, to this Office, on or before Tuesday the 4th of April next; and that they attend on the said 4th of April, at the Office of Ordnance in Old Palace Yard, Westminster, when their several Proposals will be taken into Consideration.

By Order of the Board,

W. Bogdani.

East-India-House, March 8, 1758.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, That they will lay before the Quarterly General Court of the said Company, which is to be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 15th Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, the Letters lately received from Bengal; which give an Account of a Revolution in that Country very advantageous to the Company.

Westminster Fire Office, March 23, 1758.

The Directors of the said Office do hereby give Notice, That a General Meeting of the Contributors of the said Office will be held at their Office in Bedford Street, Covent-Garden, on Thursday the 20th Day of April next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, for choosing Auditors for the Year ensuing; and upon other Affairs relating to the said Society.

Royal Exchange Assurance Office, London,
March 15, 1758.

The Court of Directors of the Royal Exchange Assurance Company do hereby give Notice, that a General Court of the said Company will be held at their Office on the Royal Exchange, on Wednesday the 5th Day of April next, at Eleven in the Forenoon, to consider of the Confirmation of the By-Law, made at the last General Court, touching the future Elections of Directors.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majesty's Ship *Essex*, who were actually on board at the taking of the *Esperance*, *Angelique*, *Bien Amie*, and *Margueritte*, that they will be paid their respective Shares of the said Prizes on board the said Ship at Portsmouth before she proceeds to Sea; and the Shares not then demanded will be paid the first Tuesday in every Month at the French Horn in Crutched Friars for Three Years to come, after the Ship has been paid at the Port.

Notice is hereby given to the Captain and to the Commission and Warrant Officers of His Majesty's Ship *Dover*,