

may have deserted from Our Ships to return to the Service, We do promise Our most gracious Pardon to all such as shall repair on Board any of Our Ships or Vessels by or before the Third Day of July next; and also to all such who have deserted, but are now belonging to some one of Our Ships, (in which Ship they are hereby permitted to continue.) And We do hereby further Declare, that such Seamen who have absented themselves from any of Our Ships, and shall render themselves on Board the same, or any other of Our Ships of War, by or before the Time abovementioned, shall not be prosecuted for such their Desertion; but that all such Deserters who shall not, on or before the said Third Day of July next, render themselves on Board some of Our Ships or Vessels of War, or who shall hereafter absent themselves from the Ships to which they belong, without Leave from the Commanding Officer, shall be tried at a Court Martial, and being found guilty of deserting at this Time, when their Country so much wants their Service, they shall be deemed unfit Objects of Our Royal Mercy, and shall suffer Death according to Law. And We do hereby Require and Command, all Our Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Bayliffs and Magistrates of the several Shires, Counties, Cities, Towns Corporate, and all other Places within Our Kingdom of Great Britain, to give the strictest Orders and Directions to the Constables, and other inferior Civil Officers, to take up all straggling Seamen, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, who shall be of Health and Ability fit for Our Service, and send them by careful Conductors to a Sea Officer employed in raising Men on Shore, or to the nearest Sea Port Town, in order to their being put on Board Our Ships of War: Which Conductors shall be paid by the said Sea Officer on Shore, or the Captains of such Ships to whom such Seamen shall be delivered, Twenty Shillings for each Seaman, and Six-pence a Mile for each Man, for every Mile they may respectively travel. And We do hereby likewise require and command all Our said Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Bayliffs and Magistrates, to receive all such Seamen and Seafaring Men, who shall appear before them, and offer to enter as Volunteers on or before the said Third Day of July next, in case they are of Health and Ability fit for Our Service, and not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, and to grant to each Seaman a Certificate of such his Voluntary Offer, and to cause them to be conducted in like Manner and with the same Allowances as above directed with respect to straggling Seamen; and the Sea Officer on Shore, or the Captains of such Ships, to whom such Volunteer Seamen shall be delivered, shall pay to every such Seaman, after his being so put on Board, (upon producing the Certificate abovementioned) the Bounties of FIVE POUNDS to every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings to every Ordinary Seaman.

Given at Our Court at Kensington, the Fifteenth Day of May, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Nine, in the Thirty Second Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

*Naples, May 22.* The Captain of a Dutch Ship, who is come into this Port, reports, that on the 15th Instant he was visited off the Island of Giglio by the Lieutenant of His Britannick Majesty's Ship the Tartar's Prize, who informed him they had taken a French Frigate of 36 Guns, after an obstinate Engagement, which had been sent to Cagliari; but that Captain Baillie having learnt from his Prize that she had a Consort of smaller Force, was cruising in Search of her.

*Florence, June 2.* The Fame Privateer of London has brought into Leghorn a small French Vessel laden with Wax, &c. from the Coast of Barbary, valued at about 4000 l. Sterling. On the 29th past his Britannick Majesty's Ship the Glasgow, Captain Wilkinson, Commander, returned from Genoa to Leghorn, where he went to purchase a Mast (as there was none to be had at Leghorn) to repair the Damages she had received in an Engagement near the Island of Sardinia, with the French Frigate of War the Oiseau.

Whitehall, June 11, 1759.

*Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, that, a Stable, belonging to the late dwelling House of Henry Bates, Esq; deceased, and which now belongs to Edward Richardson, Gent. at Datchet, near Windsor, in the County of Bucks, was, on Sunday the 11th of February last, in the Night, broke open; and that a Black cropt Mare, with a bald Face, about Fourteen Hands high, and also a Saddle, and double rein'd Curb-Bridle, were feloniously taken thereout, and have not since been heard of, or discover'd, by the said Edward Richardson, the Owner of them, though a Reward has been offered, and published, in the News Papers, by him, for that Purpose; and, that, it is supposed there were several Confederates in the said Robbery, as, in the Evening of the said Sunday, on which it was committed, as aforesaid, several Persons were seen, near the said Stable, armed with Fire Arms, Cutlasses, and other offensive Weapons, some of whom threatened the Lives of the Servants of the said Edward Richardson: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in breaking open the said Stable, and committing the said Robbery, is, hereby, pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon, to any One of them, (except the Person principally concerned therein,) who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices in the said Facts, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof. HOLDERNESSE.*

*And, as a further Encouragement, the said Edward Richardson, of Datchet aforesaid, does, hereby, promise a Reward of Twenty Pounds to any Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except the Person principally concerned in the Robbery,) to be paid by him, upon the Conviction of One or more of the Offenders.*

Navy Office, June 11, 1759.

*The principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, that on Wednesday the 27th Instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Morning precisely, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as are willing to contract for the following Particulars, to be paid for by Bill registered on the Course of the Navy, viz.*

*Shirts of good 7 8ths chequered Linnen.*

*Drawers of Cotton Cheque.*

*Patterns of which may be viewed in the Slop Office in Crutched Fryars, by such Persons as are willing to undertake the same.*

Navy Office, June 14, 1759.

*The Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, That on Thursday the 1st Instant,*