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Pisa, December 23.

THE Great Duke went Yesterday to Leghorn to see a new Frigate launched, and returned hither in the Evening. His Royal Highness with the Great Dutcheſs intend ſoon to return to that Place, and reſide there for ſome Time.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, Stable Yard St. James's, January 12, 1769.

Such Ladies as deſire to dance Minuets at the Ball at St. James's on Wednesday next the 18th Inſtant, are requeſted to ſend their Names and Rank to this Office on or before Monday next the 16th Inſtant, and to ſend for their Tickets the next Day, (Tuesday) between the Hours of Eleven in the Morning and Two in the Afternoon.

Whitehall, January 14, 1769.

Whereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That a large Rick of Oats, ſtanding in a Field belonging to a Farm of John Durand, Eſq; in the Pariſh of Walton upon the Hill in the County of Surrey, in the Occupation of Edward Chillman, was maliciously ſet on Fire in the Night of the 27th Day of December laſt, and entirely conſumed: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in ſetting the ſame on Fire, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Perſon who actually ſet the ſame on Fire) who ſhall diſcover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, ſo that he, ſhe, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

ROCHFORD.

And, as a further Encouragement, the ſaid John Durand doth hereby promiſe a Reward of TWENTY GUINEAS to any Perſon or Perſons making ſuch Diſcovery as aforeſaid, (except as before excepted:) to be paid by him on Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.

John Durand.

East-India House, January 13, 1769.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the Eaſt Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a General Court of the ſaid Company will be held, by Adjournment, at Merchant Taylors Hall in Threadneedle-Street, on Friday next the 20th Inſtant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, on ſpecial Affairs.

General Post-Office, December 17, 1768.

His Majeſty's Poſtmaſter General being deſirous to render the Six Day Poſts, which have been eſtabliſhed at a great Expence to moſt of the conſiderable Towns in England, Scotland, and Ireland, as univerſally beneficial as poſſible, have been pleaſed to order the Letter-Carriers to go round their reſpective Walks with their Bells every Night in the Week, Sundays excepted.

The many Inſtances of Letters being delayed by the Perſons entruſted to bring them to this Office on Mondays, Wedneſdays, and Fridays, as likewiſe of their not putting them into the Receiving-Houſes, in order to embezzle the Penny it has been cuſtomary to give with ſuch Letters on thoſe Days, has induced their Lordſhips to give Directions at the ſeveral Receiving-Houſes to take in, both Foreign and Inland Letters, to the uſual Hour, every Day in the Week, except Sunday, without any Gratuity.

All Perſons who may be obliged to ſend their Letters after that Hour to the Bell-Men, ſhould be cautious whom they truſt therewith, to prevent their being either detained till the next Day, or deſtroyed for the Pence.

Each Letter-Carrier will for the Future, beſides the uſual Ticket at his Breaſt, be furniſhed with a Printed one of the Hour he is daily diſpatched from hence, in order to produce it to ſuch Perſons as may deſire to be ſatisfied their Letters are not delayed.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter General,

Anth. Todd, Secretary.

Navy-Office, January 6, 1769.

Whereas the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty have thought proper, upon the Recommendation of the Commiſſioners appointed by Act of Parliament for the Diſcovery of the Longitude at Sea, to direct, that no Maſter ſhall be henceforward appointed to any of His Majeſty's Ships or Veſſels until he ſhall have learnt or perfected himſelf in the Uſe of a Nautical Almanack or Aſtronomical Ephemeris, annually publiſhed by the ſaid Commiſſioners, in Tables (they have engaged proper Perſons to compute) for ſhewing the Effects of Parallax and Refraction, in order to make the Lunar Tables conſtructed by the late Profeſſor Meyer more generally uſeful, and thereby facilitate the above-mentioned Diſcovery, and in the Uſe of Hadley's Quadrant in taking the Lunar Obſervations; in all which Particulars they are to be inſtructed by the Head Maſter or Mathematical Uſher of the Royal Academy at Portſmouth, or by Mr. Robert Biſhop or Mr. Samuel Dunn, both living in London, from one of whom they are to produce a Certificate that they

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