

Houses, Outhouses, Buildings, and Stacks of Hay and Corn, killed, wounded, poisoned, and destroyed many Horses, Beasts, and Sheep, and written several threatening and incendiary Letters to many Persons interested in, and whom they think Will-Wishers to, the Division of the said Fen; His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in such Felonies, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his, her, or their Accomplices or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

WEYMOUTH.

And, as a farther Encouragement, Edward Draper, of Boston in the said County of Lincoln, Gent. Clerk to the said Commissioners, doth hereby promise the following Rewards to any Person or Persons, who shall, within Six Months from the Date hereof, make such Discovery as aforesaid, to be paid by him on Conviction of the respective Offenders; that is to say,

To the Person who shall first apply to the said Edward Draper, and make Information before any Magistrate, against any Person or Persons guilty of any of the above Offences, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS

To the second Person who shall apply to the said Edward Draper, and make Information before any Magistrate, against any other Person or Persons guilty of any of the above Offences not before informed against, ONE HUNDRED POUNDS.

To the third Person who shall apply to the said Edward Draper, and make Information before any Magistrate, against any other Person or Persons guilty of any of the above Offences not before informed against, ONE HUNDRED POUNDS.

And to the fourth Person who shall apply to the said Edward Draper, and make Information before any Magistrate, against any other Person or Persons guilty of any of the above Offences not before informed against, ONE HUNDRED POUNDS.

N. B. The above Rewards are offered in Lieu of all Rewards formerly promised by the said Edward Draper, or any other Person or Persons, for the Discovery of the Perpetrators of the above Crimes or Offences, or any of them; and further, all such Informers may depend on every reasonable Protection.

Admiralty-Office, August 7, 1770.

Whereas, about Four o'Clock in the Morning of Friday the 27th Day of July last, a dreadful Fire broke out in His Majesty's Dock Yard at Portsmouth, which raged with such Violence, that before the same could be extinguished, several of His Majesty's Storehouses and Buildings were burnt down, and great Quantities of Naval Stores totally consumed and destroyed, and others greatly damaged; And whereas there is Reason to suspect that the said Buildings and Stores were wilfully and maliciously set on Fire, by some evil-disposed Persons, at present unknown: In order therefore to discover, and bring to Justice, the Persons guilty of the above-mentioned Offence, My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are pleased to promise a Reward of ONE THOUSAND POUNDS unto, or amongst, such Person or Persons, as shall, within Three Months from this Time, discover any of the Offenders guilty of the said Offence, so as such Offenders, or any one or more of them, shall be apprehended and duly convicted thereof; the said Reward to be paid clear of all Deductions whatsoever, by the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy, immediately after the Conviction of such Offender or Offenders.

And, as a further Encouragement, His Majesty is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any of the said Offenders, (except the Person who actually set the Premises on Fire) who shall discover any one or more of his or their Accomplices in the said Offence, so as he or they shall be apprehended and prosecuted to Conviction.

Ph. Stephens.

General Post-Office, August 24, 1770.

This Morning, about a Quarter before Four o'Clock, the Post-Boy, carrying the Chester Mail from this Office, was attacked and robbed at the Foot of Highgate Hill,

by a single Highwayman, who took out of the Cart a small Mail ticketed Chester B. B. containing the following Bags of Letters, viz.

Barnet, St. Albans, Dunstable, Fenny Stratford; Stony Stratford, Daventry, Rugby, Lutterworth, Luton, Towcester, Amptill, and Bedford.

The Person who committed this Robbery is described to be a tall thin Man, about Five Feet Nine Inches high, dressed in a light coloured close bodied Coat, dark Waistcoat, white Breeches, Boots and Spurs, a round Hat turned up only behind, and well mounted on a black Horse, about fourteen Hands and an Half high, with two white Feet before, and a cut Tail.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, over and above the Reward by Act of Parliament for apprehending Highwaymen: Or, if any Person, whether an Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby the Person who committed the same may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Person who committed this Robbery, be intitled to the said Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, and will also receive His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Postmaster General,
Anth. Todd, Secretary.

General Post-Office, July 20, 1770.

The Chichester Mail which was sent from this Office, this Morning about Two o'Clock, was soon afterwards stolen out of the Mail Cart, between Newington and Clapham, by some Person or Persons unknown, who cut the Straps which fastened the Mail to the Cart.

The said Mail contained the following Bags of Letters, viz.

Chichester, Petworth, Arundel, Midhurst, Havant, Godalmin, Haslemere, Steyning, Guilford, Shoreham, Kingston, Claremont, Cobham, Ripley, Petersfield, and Portsmouth.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person or Persons who stole the said Mail, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds: Or, if any Person or Persons, whether an Accomplice or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby the Offender or Offenders may be apprehended and brought to Justice; such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Person or Persons who stole the said Mail, be intitled to the said Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, and will also receive His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Postmaster General,
Anth. Todd, Secretary.

General Post-Office, Aug. 19, 1770.

This Morning, about Four o'Clock, the Post-Boy, carrying the Chester Mail from this Office, was attacked and robbed near the Six Mile Stone on Finchley Common, by a single Highwayman, who took out of the said Mail two Bags of Letters, ticketed Colehill and Irish.

The Person, who committed this Robbery, is described to be rather a thin Man, about five Feet six Inches high, dressed in a dark brown close-bodied Coat, and well mounted on a very light Bay Gelding, about Fifteen Hands high, with a cut Tail.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed the said Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, over and above the Reward by Act of Parliament for apprehending Highwaymen: Or if any Person, whether an Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery whereby the Person who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Person who committed this Robbery, be intitled to the said Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, and will also receive His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

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