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**I**N Pursuance of the Directions of an Act passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King George the Third, intituled, "An Act to enable the Speaker of the House of Commons to issue his Warrants to make out new Writs for the Choice of Members to serve in Parliament, in the room of such Members as shall die during the Recess of Parliament;" I do hereby give Notice, That the Death of Edward Popham, Esquire, late Member of Parliament for the County of Wilts, hath been certified to me in Writing, under the Hands of two Members of Parliament; and that I shall issue my Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the Electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the said County of Wilts, in the room of the said Edward Popham, deceased, at the End of Fourteen Days after the Intention of this Notice in the Gazette. Dated the Twenty-first Day of July, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-two.

FLR. NORTON, Speaker.

Erratum in the 8th Line of the Carmarthen Circuit, inserted in last Saturday's Gazette, for Thursday August 21, read *Thursday August 27*.

St. James's, July 21, 1772.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That, by Information from a corresponding Magistrate in the Country, it appears, that Joseph Abbott stands charged with being concerned in the wilful Murder of one Joseph Symonds, at Bicester in Oxfordshire, on the 9th Day of December 1770: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the said Joseph Abbott, is hereby pleased to promise His Majesty's most gracious Pardon, and also a Reward of FIFTY POUNDS, to any one of his Accomplices in the said Murder, (except the Person who actually murdered the said Joseph Symonds, and except Parker, who stands charged as an Accomplice, and is now in Oxford Goal, and also to any other Person or Persons, who shall discover the said Joseph Abbott, so as he may be apprehended and convicted of the said Murder.

ROCHFORD.

N. B. Joseph Abbott is a Blacksmith by Trade, about 33 Years old, five Feet nine Inches high, well made, dark Complexion, and dark brown Hair; he lately worked at Watlington in Oxfordshire, and went from thence on a Bay Horse, three pads well, with a cut Tail; He was then dressed in a brown Great Coat, and Boots; and was seen riding towards Buckingham.

St. James's, July 18, 1772.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That on Tuesday the 26th Day of May last, the Prince Ernest Shallop, Michael Cock late Master, in the Service of His Majesty's Customs at the Port of St. Ives, being on a Cruise off the Land's End, saw at an

Anchor off a Cove called Port Gwarra, in the Parish of St. Levan in the County of Cornwall, about two Miles from the Shore, a large Smuggling Vessel, about One Hundred Tons Burthen, with one Mast, Cutter rigged, an upright Stern, without a Counter, a great Rake in her Stern, deep waisted, a short Mast-head with a Vane upon it painted Black, her Sails White, with three new Pieces about ten or twelve Feet long each, in the Weather of her Main Sail about Half-Way up, and one whole new Cloib in the Lee of the same Sail, had about Thirty Men on Board, and a six pound Shot; which Vessel, as soon as the Prince Ernest appeared, made Sail towards her, and when she came within Pistol-shot, began firing upon her with Eight Carriage Guns, and also with Swivels loaded with Grape shot, and Balls about Four or Six Pounds Weight, and with Musquets, which was continued very hot for half an Hour, when the Master of the Prince Ernest, having no Great Guns or Swivels to make any Resistance, ran the Shallop as near as he could to the Shore, without stranding her, and she brought her to an Anchor, and then he and his Crew took to their Boat, and got on Shore; during which, the said Vessel sent out firing Cannon and Small Arms at them; and about an Hour after they had got on Shore, the Boat, belonging to the aforesaid Vessel, with Ten Men in her, went along Side the Prince Ernest Shallop, cut her Cable, and let her drive, the Vessel still continuing her Fire at the Shallop's People on Shore; and after the Prince Ernest had drove out about a Quarter of a Mile, she was hindered by the People belonging to the Smuggling Vessel, who hooped her Gibbials, ran her off about a League from the Shore, and after pursuing her, it is supposed they killed her, as she was seen to sink about Seven o'Clock in the Evening of the said Day: — His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the said Offence, is hereby pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

ROCHFORD.

And, as a further Encouragement, the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs do hereby promise a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS to the Person making such Discovery; to be paid by the Receiver-General of His Majesty's Customs, upon Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.

Edw. Stanley, Secretary.

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich,  
July 21, 1772.

The Commissioners of the said Royal Hospital do hereby give Notice, that, at Saleers Hall in London, on Wednesday the 26th Day of August next, (or as soon after as may be) the following Estates will be left, viz. The Lough, now in the Tenure or Occupation of Whitelock, Widow; The Lees, now in the Tenure or Occupation of the said Mrs Whitelock; Lightbirks, now in the Tenure or Occupation of Wil-

