

*give Notice, That the Transfer Books of Three per Cent. Annuities 1753 will be shut on Tuesday the 17th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Tuesday the 14th of January next.*

*That the Transfer Books of New South Sea Annuities will be shut on Thursday the 19th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Tuesday the 21st of January next.*

*That the Transfer Books of the Capital Stock will be shut on Friday the 20th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Monday the 20th of January next.*

*And that the Warrants for the Half-Year's Dividend on the Capital Stock, and the Half Year's Interest on the New South Sea Annuities, both due the 5th of January next, will be paid on Saturday the 8th of February following; on which Day of Payment the Transfer Books of New South Sea Annuities will be shut.*

Merchants Seamen's Office, Royal Exchange,  
December 5, 1776.

*A Quarterly General Court of the President and Governors for the Relief and Support of Sick, Maimed, and Disabled Seamen, and of the Widows and Children of such as shall be killed, slain, or drowned, in the Merchants Service, will be held at this Office, on Tuesday the 24th of December instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.*

By Order of the President and Committee,  
Wm. Oddy, Secretary.

Royal Exchange Assurance Office,  
London, December 4, 1776.

*THE Court of Directors of the Royal Exchange Assurance Company do hereby give Notice, that their Transfer Books will be shut from Thursday the 12th of December instant to Thursday the 9th of January next; and that the Annual General Court of the said Company will be held at their Office on the Royal Exchange, on Wednesday the 18th of December instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon; and that a Dividend will be considered of at the said Court.*

East-India House, December 6; 1776.

*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 at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Thursday the 12th of December instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, on special Affairs; being at the Desire of Nine Proprietors.*

#### YORK BUILDINGS COMPANY.

*THE Creditors of the York Buildings Company, under the Deed of Trust of the 18th of January, 1731, are desired, by some principal Creditors under that Deed, to meet, either by themselves or their Agents, at the Crown and Anchor Tavern in the Strand, on Tuesday the 17th of December instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, to consider of proper Measures to be taken, by an Application to Parliament or otherwise, for obtaining Payment of the Principal and Interest due to them respectively from the Company.*

#### PATENT SNUFFERS.

*HIS Majesty having been graciously pleased to grant His Royal Letters Patent, bearing Date the 14th of March, 1776, to Mr. Christopher Pinchbeck, of Cockspur-street, for the Sole Making and Vending his new-invented Improvement on Snuffers, for Fourteen Years:—Mr. Pinchbeck, extremely happy at the kind Approbation his Invention has received from the generous Public, begs Leave to inform them, that he is Hopes, from the Connexion he has now made with some of the first Workmen in this Branch, to have it soon in his Power not only to oblige the Nobility, Gentry, &c. but likewise the Trade and Merchants for Exportation.*

*TO be sold, pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, in Three Lots, before John Eames, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, Chancery-lane, London, The several Freehold and Leasehold Estates late of John Holbeche, deceased, situate and being in Cooper's-court, Nightingale-lane, near East-smithfield, and in Cloth-fair, London. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's Chambers.*

*THE Copartnership which lately subsisted between Mess. Christopher Atkinson and Evans, of Mark-lane, London, Corn-factors, is dissolved this 5th Day of December, 1776; and the Business is continued by the said Christopher Atkinson: And all Debts due and owing to and from the said Copartnership will be liquidated, received, and paid by the said Christopher Atkinson only.*

Chr. Atkinson.

*Be extending between James Wright, Ivory Comber-maker in Birmingham, and Thomas his Son, does not exist, nor was there any Articles for the same ever signed by the said Parties, though mentioned in the Bills of Parcels of James Wright under a Promise of such to take Place; the Public are therefore hereby acquainted, so that the said Thomas Wright may not be considered as any Way concerned in the said Partnership. Witness our Hands, this 18th Day of November, 1776.*

James Wright.  
Thomas Wright.

*THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Thomas King, of Odiham in the County of Southampton, Ironmonger, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Wednesday next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, precisely, at the Rainbow Coffee-house, Cornhill, London, to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending any Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.*

*THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Richard Tidswell the Younger, of Greenwich in the County of Kent, Merchant, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Tuesday the 30th Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, at the King's Arms Tavern, Cornhill, to assent or dissent to the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity; and to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating to the said Bankrupt's Estate; and on other special Affairs.*

*THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against William Bolts, late of Harpur-street near Redlion-square in the County of Middlesex, Merchant, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Thursday next, the 24th of December instant, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, at the Queen's Arms Tavern, St. Paul's Church-yard, London, in order to assent to or dissent from said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity for recovering any Part of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; and to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.*

Notice to the Creditors of Davidson, Dick, and Ronald,  
Upholsterers, in Edinburgh.

*THESE are intimating to all Concerned, That the Lord Ellick, Ordinary officiating on the Bills, did, on the 20th Day of August last, on the Application of the said Davidson, Dick, and Ronald, sequester their whole Personal Estate within Scotland, and within the Jurisdiction of the said Court; and, on the 10th of September last, the Lord Cowington, officiating as Ordinary on the Bills, nominated and appointed Donald Smith, Merchant in Edinburgh, to be Factor thereon, in Terms of the late Act of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for rendering the Payment of the Creditors of Insolvent Debtors in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland more equal and expeditious."*

*The said Donald Smith, therefore, in Terms of said Statute, and of an Order of Court, hereby requires the whole Creditors of the said Davidson, Dick, and Ronald, by themselves, or their Attornies or Agents properly authorized to act for them, to meet in Forrest's Coffee-house at Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 11th of December instant, at Twelve at Noon, in order to their continuing the said Donald Smith as Factor on the said sequestered Estate, or choosing another Factor thereon, or a Trustee or Trustees in his Place, all in Terms of the said Statute.*

Donald Smith.

*WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Weaver, of the Parish of Avenbury in the County of Hereford, Mealman, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 13th and 14th Days of December instant, and on the 18th Day of January next, at the White Lion, in Moore-street, Birmingham, in the County of Warwick, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to choose Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Mayhew, Attorney, in Bridge-street, Blackfriars, London.*

*WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Saxton, of Wakebridge in the Parish of Crich and County of Derby, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 30th and 31st Days of December instant, and on the 18th Day of January next, at Ten in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at the House of George Wallis, jun. the New Inn, in Derby aforesaid, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove*