

is published, all being in the utmost Consternation. The Inhabitants of Portici, Torre del Greco, and Torre del Annonciata, have fled; and as their Situation is much nearer to the Volcano than the Country destroyed, they must have suffered more, had not the Wind been much in their Favour, and carried all the erupted Matter in a contrary Direction.

Yesterday Vesuvius was much agitated, and threw violently, but nothing in Comparison of what is above related. Until the Lava (which by its Confinement in the Bowels of the Mountain occasions these horrid Spasms) finds a Vent, we cannot be free from the Apprehensions of an Earthquake, which might do great Damage to this Capital.

The Appearance of the Eruption on Sunday Night was far beyond Description: Clouds of the blackest Smoke accompanied the liquid Fire that that was thrown up; and from these Clouds constantly issued the brightest forked Lightning. The rest of the Sky was free from Clouds; and, before the Eruption, it had been a clear Star-light Night. We are in the Midst of Processions; and the Head of St. Januarius has been exposed, which is considered as the last Resource in Times of Danger. We hope we shall soon see the Lava break out, when all will be calm again.

St. James's, September 4, 1779.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That early on Monday Morning last a Fire broke out in the House of Mrs. Crowley and Co. at Greenwich, and that there is Reason to believe the said House was wilfully and maliciously set on Fire by some evil-disposed Person or Persons at present unknown: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons concerned therein, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Person or Persons who actually set Fire to the said House) who shall discover his or her Accomplices or Accomplices in the said Offence, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

WEYMOUTH.

And, as a farther Encouragement, Mrs. Crowley and Co. do hereby promise a Reward of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS, to any Person or Persons (except as before excepted) who shall discover the Offender or Offenders, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted, as above.

If. Millington.

Custom-House, London, August 26, 1779.

FOR SALE,

BY Order of the Honourable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, in the Long Room at the Custom-House, on Thursday the 16th of September next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, in Lots of 2, 6, 8, and 10 Hbds. each.

S U G A R.			
Hh.	T.	B.	
105	0	0	Barbadoes.
56	14	0	Antigua.
103	278	141	St. Kitts.
45	24	8	Nevis.
24	32	78	Montserrat.
42	10	0	Tortola.

And 54 Barrels Ginger from Barbadoes.

Samples to be viewed in Wycherley's-yard, opposite Bear Quay, on Tuesday the 14th, Wednesday the 15th, and Thursday the 16th, of September next.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majesty's Ship Brune, James Fergusson, Esq; Commander, who were actually on Board at the taking of the Independence, an American Sloop, on the 6th of September, 1778, that they will be paid their respective Shares of the Produce of the said Sloop, on

Friday the 17th of September, 1779, at the French Horn in Crutched Fryars, London; and the Shares remaining unpaid will be recalled at the same Place the First Monday in every Month for Three Years to come.

Walter Stirling, jun. Agent.

General Post-Office, August 17, 1779.

EDWARD DEAN, of Westell-hill near Burford in the County of Oxford, by Trade a Wool-comber, stands charged on Oath upon Suspicion of being concerned in the Robbery of the Mail between Enston and Shipstone on the 20th of February last, and has absconded from his Dwelling-house at Westell hill aforesaid on Sunday the 8th Instant.

The said Edward Dean is between 40 and 50 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 10 or 11 Inches high, of a light Complexion, wears his Hair sometimes straight, at other Times curled, of a light Colour, large full Eyes, strong Features, a little pitted with the Small Pox, and has two remarkable Scars, one on each Side of his Face near the Jaw Bone, and dressed in light-coloured Drab Cloaths.

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

There being Reason to believe that the said Edward Dean is concealed at some House not far distant from Westell-hill before-mentioned, whoever therefore shall harbour or conceal him after this Notice will be prosecuted with the utmost Rigour of the Law.

By Command of the Postmaster-General,
Anth. Todd, Sec.

The said Edward Dean has constantly attended most of the Cock Fights and Races in that Part of the Country, is well known at such Places, and is charged upon Oath with being a reputed Deer-stealer.

East-India House, August 18, 1779.

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

That the Transfer Books of the East-India Annuities will be shut on Friday the 10th of September next, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Monday the 11th of October following.

And that the Dividend Warrants, due the 10th of said October, will be ready to be delivered on Tuesday the 2d of November next.

South Sea House, September 4, 1779.

THE Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, that a General Court of the said Company will be held at this House on Thursday the 23d Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, being one of the Half-yearly General Courts appointed by the Charter; and to chuse a Committee of Seven to inspect the Bye-Laws.

Mercers Hall, London, September 4, 1779.

THE Wardens and Commonalty of the Mystery of Mercers of the City of London do hereby desire their Annuitants and other Creditors to meet a General Court of the said Wardens and Commonalty, at their Hall in Cheap-side, on Thursday the 23d Instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, in order to consent to and approve of the Leases proposed to be made of Part of the said Company's Estates.

Rob. Cawne, Clerk.