From Saturday November 2, to Tueſday November 5, 1782.

Whitehall, October 26.

THE following Letter has been written, purſuant to His Majeſty's expreſs Command, by the Right Honourable Thomas Townſhend, His Majeſty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department :

Whitehall, October 22, 1782.

To the Chairman of the Seſſions of the Peace for the County of Middleſex.

SIR,

HIS Majeſty being very much concerned at the frequent Robberies and Diſorders of late committed in the Streets of London and Weſtminſter, and Parts adjacent, and being informed that they are greatly to be imputed to the Encouragement given to Rogues and their Accomplices, by Perſons who keep Night-houſes and Cellars, which are reſorted to by great Numbers of looſe and diſorderly Perſons; and that the Gaming-houſes, as alſo the Places where Strong Liquors are drunk to Exceſs, contribute much to the Corruption of the Morals of thoſe of an inferior Rank, and to the leading them into theſe wicked Courſes, has commanded me to recommend it, in His Name, in the ſtrongeſt Manner, to the Juſtices of the Peace for the County of Middleſex, to employ their utmoſt Care and Vigilance in preventing and ſuppreſſing theſe Diſorders, by holding frequent Petty Seſſions for this Purpoſe in their ſeveral Pariſhes, or other Diviſions, by calling beſore them the High Conſtables and other proper Officers under their Direction, and giving them the ſtricteſt Orders and Warrants, from Time to Time, as there ſhall be Occaſion, to ſearch for and apprehend Rogues, Vagabonds, idle and diſorderly Perſons, in order to their being dealt with according to Law; and likewiſe to proceed with Rigour as well againſt all Perſons harbouring ſuch Offenders, as againſt thoſe who keep the ſaid Night-houſes or Cellars, Tippling or common Gaming-houſes, or who practice or encourage unlawful Gaming.

And His Majeſty having very much at Heart the Performance of this Service, wherein the Honor of His Government, the Preſervation of the Peace, and the Safety of His Subjects are ſo much concerned, does further require the ſaid Juſtices in their reſpective Seſſions to draw up in Writing, from Time to Time, an Account of their Proceedings herein, inſerting the Names of the Juſtices attending ſuch Meetings, and of the Peace Officers whom they ſhall employ, taking particular Notice of the Zeal and Diligence of each of them in

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the Performance of his Duty; which Accounts are to be tranſmitted from the ſaid ſeveral Seſſions to One of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, to be laid before His Majeſty; who being informed of their Behaviour may reward ſuch of them as ſhall diſtinguiſh themſelves in the faithful and diligent Execution of their Office; His Majeſty not doubting but the Juſtices, on their Part, will take Care to puniſh with Rigour, as by Law they may, thoſe who ſhall appear to have been guilty of Corruption or Negligence therein.

You will be pleaſed to acquaint the Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid County, and all others whom it may concern, with His Majeſty's Pleaſure, that the ſame may be duly and punctually complied with.

I am, &c.

T. TOWNSHEND.

Letters to the like Effect have alſo been written to the Lord Mayor of London, to his Grace the High Steward of Weſtminſter, the Chairman of the Seſſions of the Peace for the City and Liberty of Weſtminſter, for the Tower Hamlets, and likewiſe for the County of Sutry at St. Margaret's Hill.

St. James's, November 2.

George Arnold, of Hill-Houſe in the County of Northampton, Eſq; was this Day ſworn one of the Gentlemen of His Majeſty's Moſt Honourable Privy Chamber.

Whitehall, November 2, 1782.

WHEREAS it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That on Monday the 28th Day of October laſt, about Nine o'Clock in the Morning, John Newman, Collector of the Tolls at the Turnpike at Hutton, in the Road from Brentwood to Billericay in the County of Eſſex, was found in the Toll-Houſe moſt inhumanly wounded and bruiſed, quite ſpeechleſs, and ſeemingly inſenſible, in which Situation he languiſhed until the Wedneſday following, when he died; and that the Money collected at the ſaid Turnpike, as well as the private Property of the Deceaſed, with his Silver Watch (ſaid to be marked "Jenkins, London, 1744") were ſtolen by ſome Perſon or Perſons unknown.

His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in the Murder and Robbery above-mentioned, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon to any One of them, (except the Perſon or Perſons who actually committed the ſaid Murder) who ſhall diſcover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices