

appear to be written with a View to obstruct the Course of Justice, by preventing the Execution of William Thompson, who is now under Sentence of Death in Newgate for Forgery:

His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in writing and sending the Incendiary Letters abovementioned, doth hereby promise His most Gracious Pardon to any one of them (except the Person who actually wrote the said Letters) who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

And, as a further Encouragement, His Majesty doth hereby offer a Reward of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS to any Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as is before excepted) to be paid by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, upon the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.

S Y D N E Y.

General Post-Office, July 22, 1784.

**B***X* an Act of the last, and also one of the present Session of Parliament, for establishing certain Regulations concerning the Portage and Conveyance of Letters and Packets by the Post between Great Britain and Ireland, to take Place on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August next, all Letters and Packets are to be charged and paid for according to the present Rates of Postage in Great Britain, and the Rates established by the Act of Parliament in Ireland, except to and from certain Persons who, by Virtue of the respective Offices in Great Britain and Ireland, now send and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Postage; provided that all such Letters and Packets so sent shall relate to the Business of their respective Offices, and that there shall be certified on the Outside of such Letters and Packets, under the Hand Writing of such Officers respectively to be On His Majesty's Service, and that such Letters and Packets shall be sealed with the Seal of the Office, or of Officer sending the same. And in Case any such Officers shall receive under Cover to them any Letters or Packets intended for or directed to other Persons, all such Officers are required to send the same to the General Post Office in London, or Dublin, in order that such Letters and Packets may be charged with the Duty of Postage; it being the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, that the Privilege of sending and receiving Letters and Packets by such Officers, shall extend to such Letters and Packets only, as relate to the Business of their respective Offices.

It is also enacted, That all Persons may send printed Votes, Proceedings in Parliament, and printed News Papers to and from Great Britain and Ireland, at the Rate of One Penny only for each printed Vote, Proceeding in Parliament, and each printed News Paper, in Covers open at Both Ends, to be paid when they are put into any Post-Office in Great Britain; but the Penny need not be paid before hand upon Papers from Ireland, as it can be received on their Delivery in Great Britain.

It is likewise enacted, That His Majesty's Postmaster-General may authorize certain Persons to send and receive printed Votes, Proceedings in Parliament, and printed News Papers by the Post to and from Great Britain and Ireland, at the Rate of One Penny only for each printed Vote, and Proceeding in Parliament, and each printed News Paper, over and above the printed Price thereon.

All Persons therefore who wish to be supplied with News Papers for Ireland, or from Ireland for Great Britain, may have them regularly sent, by applying by Letter, or otherwise, to the Clerk of the Chester Road, at the General Post-Office in London, or to the Postmaster of any Town in Great Britain, where a News Paper is printed; or to the Secretary of the General Post-Office in Dublin.

The Price of a Paper six Times a Week, at 3d. each, with 1d. for the Postage, will be 5l. 4s. per Annum; an Evening Paper three Times a Week, 2l. 12s. per Annum, and so in Proportion for the London Gazette, other Papers, &c. And by an Act passed

in the last Session of the Parliament of Ireland, each British News Paper, &c. will in all Parts of Ireland be delivered at the Rate of 1d. Postage for each; all which, upon an Average, will be less than the Prices heretofore paid for News Papers furnished by the Public Offices in Great Britain and Ireland.

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

General Post-Office, July 24, 1784.

**H***I*S Majesty's Postmaster-General, being inclined to make an Experiment for the more expeditious Conveyance of the Mails of Letters by Stage Coaches, Machines, &c. have been pleased to order, that a Trial shall be made upon the Road between London and Bristol, to commence at each Place on Monday the 2d of August next, and that the Mails should be made up at this Office every Evening (Sundays excepted) at 7 o'Clock, and at Bristol, in Return, at 3 in the Afternoon (Saturdays excepted) to contain the Bags for the following Post Towns, and their Districts, viz.

H O U N S L O W.

Between 9 and 10 at Night — from London.  
Between 6 and 7 in the Morning — from Bristol.

M A I D E N H E A D.

Between 11 and 12 at Night — from London.  
Between 4 and 5 in the Morning — from Bristol.

R E A D I N G.

About 1 in the Morning — from London.  
Between 2 and 3 in the Morning — from Bristol.

N E W B U R Y.

About 3 in the Morning — from London.  
Between 12 and 1 at Night — from Bristol.

H U N G E R F O R D.

Between 4 and 5 in the Morning — from London.  
About 11 at Night — from Bristol.

M A R L B O R O U G H.

About 6 in the Morning — from London.  
Between 9 and 10 at Night — from Bristol.

C H I P P E N H A M.

Between 8 and 9 in the Morning — from London.  
About 7 in the Evening — from Bristol.

B A T H.

Between 10 and 11 in the Morning — from London.  
Between 5 and 6 in the Afternoon — from Bristol.

B R I S T O L.

About 12 at Noon — from London.

All Persons are therefore to take Notice, that the Letters put into any Receiving House in London before 6 in the Evening, or before 7 at this Office, will be forwarded by this new Conveyance; all others, for the said Post Towns and their Districts, put in afterwards, or given to the Bell-Men, must remain until the following Post, at the same Hour of 7 o'Clock.

Letters also for Colnbrooke, Windsor, Colne and Ramsbury, will be forwarded by this Conveyance every Day; — and for Devizes, Melksham, Trowbridge and Bradford, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays; — for Great Bedwin and Pewsey, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays; — and for Henley, Nettlebed, Wallingford, Wells, Bridgewater, Taunton, Wellington, Tiverton, Froom and Warminster, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. — Letters from all the before-mentioned Post-Towns, and their Districts, will be sorted, and delivered as soon as possible after their Arrival in London, and are not to wait for the general Delivery.

All Carriers, Coachmen, Higlery, News Carriers, and all other Persons, are liable to a Penalty of 5l. for every Letter which they shall receive, take up, order, dispatch, carry, or deliver illegally; and to 100l. for every Week that any Offender shall continue the Practice, one Half to the Informer: And that this Revenue may not be injured by unlawful Collections and Conveyances, all Persons acting contrary to the Law therein will be proceeded against, and punished with the utmost Severity.

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