

Robert Bennett, Gent. to be Surgeon of the Garrison of Edinburgh Castle, vice Robert Gardner, who retires.

Major-General George Garth to be Lieutenant-Governor of the Garrison of Placentia, vice Lieutenant-General Robert Watson, deceased.

**ERRATUM** in the Army Promotions, inserted in the Gazette of Saturday last.

8th (or Royal Irish) Regiment of Foot, FOR William Johnston, Gent. to be Ensign, by Purchase, vice Henry Wolfeley, who retires, READ; William Johnston, Gent. to be Ensign, by Purchase, vice Henry Wolfeley, promoted.

General Post Office, Saturday, May 28, 1791.

**T**HE Post-Boy bringing the Mail from Ailsbury to Hemel Hempstead, containing the Bags of Letters from Ailsbury, Winslow, Tring, Wendover and Berkhamstead for London, with the Bye-Letters from Ailsbury and Tring, was stop'd between the Hours of Ten and Eleven o'Clock last Night by a Man on Foot, who appeared to be lusty, between Berkhamstead and Hemel Hempstead, who seized the Bridle of his Horse, and made him dismount. The Robber then fastened the Horse to a Gate on the Road, and took the Boy into a Field at some Distance, where he tied his Hands, blindfolded him and fastened him to a Gate, and afterwards rode away with the Mail and Horse.

Whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed this Robbery, will be entitled 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 Robbery, or knowing thereof, shall make Discovery, whereby the Person who committed the same may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be entitled to the same Reward, and will also receive His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Post-Master General,  
Anth. Todd, Sec.

East India-House, June 17, 1791.

**AT A COURT OF DIRECTORS HELD ON FRIDAY THE 3d OF JUNE, 1791.**

**W**HERRAS the Court of Directors of the East India Company have Reason to believe that an illicit and unlawful Trade is carried on between Europe and India by British Subjects, under the false Colours and Passes of Foreign Nations: And as it is their Duty to suppress the same, it is resolved, That Prosecutions shall be commenced against such Persons residing within the Jurisdiction of the Courts of England, as shall upon Information be found (by the Directors) offending against the Laws now in Force for the Prevention of all illicit and unlawful Commerce to the East Indies.

It is likewise resolved, That if any Servant of the Company's, Civil or Military, or any Person holding Office or Employment, or receiving Salary or Wages from the East India Company, shall be proved to have any Concern, either directly or indirectly, as Principal or Agent, for the carrying on any illicit or unlawful Trade in, to or from the East Indies, such Person, upon

being found guilty of the same before the Governor-General of India, or the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Bengal, or any Two of the Puisne Judges of the said Court, or any Two Members of the General Council at Fort William, or before the Governor and Council of any of the Company's Settlements in India, or before the Company's Super-Cargoes at China, shall be dismissed the Service of the East India Company, and rendered incapable of ever serving again in any Capacity whatsoever.

And it is further resolved, That if any other Description of Persons residing in India shall be found guilty of the like Offence, such Person or Persons shall be considered as having forfeited all Right to the Company's Licence for continuing in India, and are to be sent to England to be prosecuted as the Law directs.

Resolved, That the above Resolutions be published in the London Gazette, together with an Abstract of several Acts of Parliament now in Force, for securing the lawful Trade to the East Indies.

Abstract of several Acts of Parliament now in Force made for securing to the East India Company the sole Trade to, in and from the East Indies, and for preventing British Subjects (without the Company's Licence) from going or trading to, in or from the East Indies, either directly from this Kingdom, or under Foreign Commissions; and from being interested or concerned in any Foreign East India Company to be erected.

**B**y the following Acts of Parliament now in Force it is enacted as follows, viz.

9 and 10 Will. III. cap. 44.

Enacts, That the Persons or Corporations who, pursuant to that Act, should have a Right to trade to the East Indies, should have the whole and sole Trade and Traffick there; and if any other British Subjects should, directly or indirectly, visit, haunt, frequent, trade, traffick or adventure in, to or from the East Indies, contrary to the Meaning of that Act, they should forfeit and lose the Ships and Vessels employed, with their Guns, Tackle, &c. and the Goods laden thereon, and the Proceed of the same, and double the Value thereof.

5 Geo. I. cap. 21.

By an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His Majesty King George the First, all British Subjects, except those licensed by the East India Company, are prohibited from going to the East Indies: And to the End such Offenders may be brought to Justice, the East India Company are empowered to arrest and seize such Offenders in the East Indies, and to send them to England, there to answer for the said Offence. And every British Subject who shall procure, solicit for, obtain, or act under, any Commission, Authority or Pass, from any Foreign Prince or State, to sail, or go in Trade, in or to the East Indies, incurs and forfeits, for every such Offence, FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS.

7 Geo. I. cap. 21.

By another Act passed in the Seventh Year of His Majesty King George the First, every British Subject who shall go to, or shall trade or adventure in, to or from, the East Indies, (contrary to the Laws

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