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*Whitehall, Octob. 30.*

**H**IS Majesty has been pleased to command His Royal Proclamation to be Published, For the Discovery of the Murderers of Sir Edmundbury Godfrey, which follows.

- CHARLES R.

**W** Hereas it appears by an Inquisition lately taken before one of His Majesties Coroners of His County of Middlsex, upon view of the Body of Sir Edmundbury Godfrey Knight, One of His Majesties Justices of the Peace for the same County, That the said Sir Edmundbury Godfrey was in a barbarous and inhumane manner lately Murdered by Persons whose Names were to the Fury unknown: The Kings Most Excellent Majesty, out of His Royal Inclination to Justice, and to the intent that so horrid and detestable a Murder may be with utmost severity punished, whereby all others may be deterred from committing or attempting such bloody and wicked Crimes, Doth by this His Royal Proclamation, Strictly Charge and Command all His Judges, Justices of the Peace, and other Magistrates, and all His Officers, and other His Loving Subjects, That they do use their utmost Diligence, in their several Places and Capacities, to Find out and Discover the Murderers of the said Sir Edmundbury Godfrey: And if they make any considerable Discovery, by whom the said Murder was Committed, to give Speedy Information thereof to one of His Majesties Principal Secretaries of State, and likewise to use their utmost Endeavor to Apprehend the Murderers.

And as a Reward to such as shall make a Discovery of the Murderers, His Majesty is graciously pleased hereby to Promise to any Person or Persons, who shall make such a Discovery, whereby the said Murderers, or any of them shall be Apprehended, the Sum of Five hundred pounds, which shall be immediately paid down, upon sufficient Testimony, that such Persons or Person are, or is guilty of the said Murder: And if any one of the Murderers shall Discover the rest, whereby they, or any one of them shall be Apprehended, such Discoverer shall not only be Pardoned his Offence, but shall in like manner receive the said Reward of Five hundred pounds.

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall*, the Twentieth day of *October*, 1678. In the Thirtieth Year of Our Reign.

*Dantzick, Octob. 8.* The last Letters we have from *Riga*, assure us, that the Suedish Troops would very suddenly begin their march towards *Prussia*, to give the Elector of *Brandenburg* a diversion on that side; that Colonel *Wangelin*, who had been sent to the Duke of *Courland* to desire passage through his Countries, was returned to *Riga*, with an answer that gave ground to hope that the said Duke would at length be brought to grant the passage desired, especially if the Poles consented thereto, in order to which Count *Oxenstern* was sent to the Sieur *Paetz*, General

neral of *Lithuania*. From *Poland* they write, that the Nobility begin to be very apprehensive that the Turks will strike up a Peace with the *Moscovites*, and then turn the War against the Crown of *Poland*, which they would prevent by joining with the *Moscovites* in the present War. In *December* a Diet will be, and then a resolution will be taken in this important matter. The Troops that have been raised by the Marquis de *Bethune*, the French Ambassador, continue quartered in these parts, and will join the Suedes Army when it approaches this way.

*Mittaw, Octob. 8.* The Suedish Army in *Livonia* begins to move, and their Artillery has already passed the *Duna*. Count *Oxenstern*, and Colonel *Siddau*, are sent to General *Paetz*, to desire passage through the Territories of *Lisuania*, which, we are told, General *Paetz* is not only resolved to deny them, but has summoned the Nobility of that Duchy to put themselves on Horseback to hinder the passage of the said Army, in case they should attempt it by force. We are told that the Suedes are laying several Bridges on the River *d'A*, about 6 miles from hence.

*Venna, Octob. 9.* Couriers arrive here daily from *Hungary*, with an account of the posture of things there; and that the Rebels, without meeting with any considerable resistance in their marches, either persuade or force the Inhabitants to bring in Provisions, and to take Arms and join with them; that they have possessed themselves of several places of great moment; that they have made their incursions as far as the Borders of the Dutchy of *Defen* in *Stilesia*; but finding there 15000 of the Inhabitants well armed, and in a Body, they made a speedy retreat; that General *Hoffkirke*, *Esherbazi*, and *Forgatz*, marched with their forces to hinder them from falling into *Moravia*, as well as to cut off their return into *Hungary*; that a party of the Rebels had plundered and burnt *Noisolt* and *Sennitz*; that *Faber Joseph*, with his Party, plundering the Country about *Nitra*, was pursued by Count *Ardeci*, and after a sharp dispute taken prisoner. The Letters from *Espres* of the 29th past, tell us, that General *Leslie* had fallen into *Transilvania*, and plundered and burnt several Villages, as also *Veselines* Castle, where the Imperialists defeated some *Transilvanian* Horse, that were got together to relieve it, in which action several were killed on our side, and General *Dinewalt*, with some others wounded.

*Eisenburg, Octob. 12.* The King of *Denmark* having given the command of his Army to Monsieur *Wedel*, General of the *Munster* Troops, was in resolution to have decamped, and to have marched towards the Enemy to engage them to a Battle, when he received advice that the Suedes Army, understanding by some prisoners they had taken, our Kings intention, they had quitted their Camp at *Ronneberg* near *Landscroon*, and were retired, so that there remaineth now nothing to be done, but to put

our Troops into Winter-quarters. Much notice is taken of the liberty which is allowed the *Sieur Griffenfelt* in his Prison, which many people look upon as a mark that the Kings displeasure against him, begins to lessen, and that possibly he may return to his favor again.

*Strasbourg, Octob. 17.* We have this afternoon advice, that the French have taken the Castle of *Lichtenberg*, the Garrison being to march out as this day. The French are making a Way between *Colmar* and *Brisac* of 100 foot broad; and about two Leagues below *Brisac*, they are laying a Bridge over the *Rhine*. Monsieur *Mouclar* continues posted at *Hegerheim*; and we are told, that several French Troops are coming from *Burgundy*, and five Regiments are already arrived at *Ensfelheim*. The Duke of *Lorraine* has his quarters still at *Screcke*, having sent the Dragoons of *Heister* and *Chavaignac*, with the *Lorraine* Cavalry towards the *Moselle*; his Infantry lies encamped along the *Rhine* from *Kastat* to *Golscheir*.

*Cologne, Octob. 21.* Our Magistrates having received a second Message from the Duke of *Luxemburg*, concerning the payment of the 50000 Crowns, seized here by the Imperialists, and finding themselves wholly unable to be secured against the threats of the French, in case they should contest the thing, have thought it more prudence to comply with the present necessity; and accordingly sent Deputies to the Duke of *Luxemburg*, to assure him of their willingness to pay the said 50000 Crowns, in case he would give them time to do it, till the 15 of *November*. The said Deputies were likewise ordered to sollicite a Neutrality for this City. Yesterday they returned, having succeeded as to the first Point, but as for the Neutrality, we do not yet hear that they have obtained it. The French have taken the Town and Castle of *Mountjou*, and caused the Governor to be hanged, for going about to defend the place. The Confederate Troops lie on the other side of the *Rhine*, above *Bonne*, the Bishop of *Osnabrug*, the Marquis de *Grana*, General *Chauvet*, &c. are gone thither.

*Brussels, Octob. 21.* We are still expecting the Ratiications from *Spain*. This day about noon arrived an Express from *Nimeguen*, with Letters to the Marquis de *los Balbaes*, who had a Conference with his Excellency upon them. The French have not yet quitted *Maestricht*, nor according to our Letters from thence, is there any great appearance that they will do it suddenly; but our Letters tell us, that they have drawn their Troops out of *Leeuwe*. The French Army is still in the Dutchy of *Fuliers*, having possessed themselves of all the places in it, except the City of *Fuliers*, which, it is said, they have invested. The Magistrates of *Cologne* have sent Deputies to the Duke of *Luxemburg*, with an offer to pay the 50000 Crowns demanded of them, before the 15th of *November*, and with orders to endeavor to obtain a Neutrality for their City.

*Haage, Octob. 25.* We are told that the French Ambassador hath given in a Memorial to the States, wherein he demands of them to withdraw their Forces out of *Huy* and *Hasselt*, places in the Country of *Liege*, and that they will not suffer such Troops which they shall disband, to enter into the service of the Emperor, or any of the Allies: As for *Huy*, it is said, the States are willing to draw out the Garrison they have there, but think it necessary to keep

their Forces in *Hasselt*; and as to the last Point, that when the Soldiers are put out of their service, it is free for them then to enter into whose they please. The Deputies of the States had two days since a Conference with the French Ambassador about fixing a day for the evacuation of *Maestricht*, which will not be it seems till the 6th of the next month, though the States press to have the Article of the Treaty concerning the restitution of that place complied with, and that it may be delivered up immediately. The Northern Letters tell us, that the Inhabitants of *Strassond* seem resolved to defend the place to the last extremity, being much encouraged by the presence of Count *Cornusmark*, who assures them that their sufferings will be fully considered and rewarded by the King of *Sueden*.

*Whitehall, Octob. 18.* This day the Right Honorable the Earl of *Ailesbury*, was Sworn one of the Lords of His Majesties most Honorable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

Whereas at the last Assizes held for the County of *Durham*, there were Apprehended and Committed to the Gaol of the said County, where they now remain Prisoners, *Thomas Dennis*, alias *Oxley*, *Thomas Buckingham*, *Rihard Rudd*, *William Coucel*, *Henry Arnold*, *Peter Barwick*, alias *Wilkinson*, and *William Atkinson*, seven Notorious old Thieves, who have been often in the Gaol of *Newgate*, *London*, for Felony. There was found in their possession 12 Pieces of six penny broad-coloured taffaty Ribon, pink, green, blew, cloth, and ash-coloured. Eight Pieces of eight-penny taffaty Ribon, all cloth-colour, one althe, one maskered. Eight Pieces of six penny broad black taffaty Ribon, better and worse. Three pieces of eight penny broad, good black Ribon. Three Pieces of four-penny broad black taffaty Ribon. All the Marks are cut out, scraped off, or stamped out. One silver Watch, in a plain black leather Case, with Silver Clasp, cut open for the Dial plate, hath only the hour of the day: The Makers Name is thus, *Pierre Laloué, At. St. Lo*, with a flourish round the Name. One Gold Ring, Poetic, *Prepara to follow I. M. Another, Live in Love*. A third, *Prepara to follow K. P.* These are therefore to give Notice, That if any have been Robbed by the abovenamed persons, or of the said Goods, that they may know where they are: And if any are desirous to have farther information concerning the said Thieves, they may repair to the Keeper of His Majesties Gaol of *Newgate*, *London*, where they may be fully satisfied; To the intent these Offenders may be punished according to Law.

#### Advertisements.

Stolen or strayed the 16th instant, out of the Grounds of *Robert Lee*, in the Parish of *Marybone*, a bay Mare, 9 or 10 years old, between 13 and 14 hands high, a few white hairs in her forehead, her navil gaul hath formerly been hurt, and both her knees broken, a patten-shoe on her near hind-foot, a long bob-tail, trots all. Whoever gives notice of her to the aforesaid *Robert Lee*, or to *Mr. Thomas Kygley*, at the *Red Lyon* in *Coffers* street, over against the Duke of *Montmouth's* Stables in *St. Martin's* Parish, shall have 10 s. Reward.

A Roman Boy, a French Boy, aged about 20 years. speaking but very little English, tall of stature, pale of complexion, with short black hair, a scar on the cheek, in a grey coloured cloth Sute, who lived lately with *Monsieur Bellone*, at the *French* Ordinary in the *Pall-mall*, Run away the 13 instant at night, from *George Caresey* Coffee man near *Grays Inn*, gate in *Hibern*, and took away with him 22 l. in money, one gold Ring, 12 silver Rings, 2 Shirts, one laced Cravat. Whoever shall discover him, so that he may be apprehended, and give notice thereof to the said *George Caresey*, shall have 40 s. Reward.

William Henneghan, alias *Whoghau*, an Irish man, that plays well on the Harp, aged about 40, of middle stature, thick set, short black curl'd hair, of a pale brown complexion; Run away from his Master on the 11th instant, with 100 l. Whoever doth apprehend or discover him, so as he may be sized, and give notice thereof to *Mr. Pitt* at the *Plow* in *St. Pauls* Church yard, or to *Mr. Ambony Best* in *Little* *Lincolns*, *Inn-Fields*, near *Plow* Stables, shall have Five pounds for a Reward, and his charges borne.