

tingham, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

The Lord Chancellor has also appointed Thomas Emery, of Kidderminster, in the county of Worcester, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

The Lord Chancellor has also appointed Edward Lambert Newman, of Dursley, in the county of Gloucester, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

Whitehall, December 6, 1816.

WHEREAS it hath been humbly represented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that James Watson the younger, late of Hyde-Street, Bloomsbury, surgeon, stands charged upon oath, on a violent suspicion of having wilfully and feloniously attempted to kill and murder Richard Platt, on Monday the 2d day of this instant December, by firing a loaded pistol at and desperately wounding the said Richard Platt; and that the said James Watson also stands charged on vehement suspicion with having committed divers other high and atrocious offences;

His Royal Highness, for the better and more speedy apprehending and bringing to justice the said James Watson for the felonies and offences aforesaid, is hereby pleased, acting in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, to promise to any person or persons who shall discover and apprehend, or cause to be discovered and apprehended, the said James Watson, the sum of FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS, to be paid by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, upon the said James Watson being apprehended and lodged in any one of His Majesty's goals.

SIDMOUTH.

The above named James Watson is a surgeon by profession, and has been employed in that capacity on board a Greenland Ship: he is a young man, apparently about twenty-three or twenty-four years of age, but is only twenty; dark hair, rather pale complexion, five feet five inches high, rather slender made, has a scar or mole under his right eye; had on a brown great coat, blue under coat, black waistcoat, drab breeches and long gaiters; appearance, shabby, genteel: he has lately lodged in Hyde-Street, Bloomsbury, and was in the habit of wearing a black coat buttoned, kerseymere breeches and long gaiters.

Whitehall, December 7, 1816.

WHEREAS it hath been humbly represented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that, early on Monday morning the 25th day of November last, the following anonymous threatening letter, addressed to Mr. Francis Head, clothier, in Chippenham, in the county of Wilts, was found under the front door of his dwelling-house, situate in Chippenham aforesaid;

“ Mr Francis Head Clothier Chipperham
“ Mr Geaboy Sir you as the Bailey of this

“ Borough the inhabitanse think it right that you should go round to the Beakers Landlords and Shop Keepers and so that ther is measur and waite sold and if not ~~don~~ immediatly you may depend on it that your Hous shaul be puld down about your Ears and the Mill at the other side of the Bridge shaul be sett un fier I am Sirs yours well wishin Frend and hope youl seek into matters sooner than to be destroyed yourself”

“ Bradford” “ W P”

And whereas it hath also been humbly represented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, that early on Sunday morning, the 1st day of this instant December, certain grist mills, situate near the Bridge in the Town of Chippenham aforesaid, being the mills referred to in the before mentioned threatening anonymous letter, the property of Thomas Edridge, Esq., and occupied by Messrs. Gaby and Dowling, were maliciously destroyed by fire, together with a very large quantity of flour, wheat and other property, then being therein;

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, acting in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the persons concerned in sending the said threatening letter, or in setting fire to the said mills, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious pardon to any one of them, (except the person who actually wrote the said letter, or actually set fire to the said mills), who shall discover his, her or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

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And as a further encouragement a reward of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY POUNDS is hereby offered by the said Thomas Edridge; Messrs. Gaby and Dowling; and the Wilts and Western Insurance Society; to any person making such discovery as aforesaid (except as before excepted) to be paid on the conviction of any one or more of the offenders.

Royal Exchange Assurance Office,
November 27, 1816.

THE Court of Directors of the Royal Exchange Assurance do hereby give notice, that their transfer-books will be shut from Monday the 18th of December next to Thursday the 9th of January following; and that the Annual General Court, appointed by their charter, will be holden at their Office, on the Royal Exchange, on Wednesday the 18th of December next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and that a dividend will be considered of at the said Court.

Samuel Fenning, jun. Secretary.

N. B. Attendance is given daily at the said Office, and at their Office in Pall-Mall, for the assurance of buildings, goods, merchandize, and ships in harbour, in dock, or while building, from loss or damage by fire; and also for the assurance of, and granting annuities on, lives.