

Kidderminster, was totally destroyed by fire; and that there is reason to suppose the same was willfully and maliciously set on fire by some evil-disposed person or persons unknown;

His Royal Highness, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the person or persons concerned in the felony above-mentioned, is hereby pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to promise His Majesty's most gracious pardon to any one of them (except the person who actually set fire to the said mill), who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

SIDMOUTH.

And, as a further encouragement, a reward of ONE THOUSAND POUNDS is hereby offered to any person or persons (except as is before expected) who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices in the said felony, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof; or to any person or persons who shall apprehend and bring the offenders, or any of them, to conviction, or cause them, or any of them, so to be apprehended and convicted as aforesaid.—Five hundred pounds, part of the above reward, to be paid by Messrs. Hooman, Pardoe, and Company, and the remaining five hundred pounds to be paid by the Norwich Union Fire-Office.

*Army Pay-Office, Horse Guards,
December 24, 1817.*

Notice is hereby given, that the pensions granted to the Widows of Officers of the Army and Marines, due this day, will be in course of payment at this Office, on the 8th January next, between the hours of eleven and two o'clock:

The pay of Adjutants of Local Militia, of Officers retired from the late Royal Veteran Battalions, and of Officers retired under the Acts, 51st and 52d George 3d, on the 15th January next:

The allowances to General Officers (not being Colonels of Regiments), the pensions granted to Officers who have sustained injury in the service, and likewise the allowances as of His Majesty's Royal Bounty, on the 22d January next, between the hours aforesaid, Saturdays excepted.

By order of the Paymaster-General,
Robt. Webber, Cashier.

Admiralty-Office, December 18, 1817.

THE following official notification has been received at this Office:

“ For the information of vessels destined for the Archipelago of Gothenburg and the Quarantine Port of Kängsö, notice is hereby given, that on the Island of Stora Kängsö a round tower has been built, high fifteen yards, terminating in a platform, with the upper part of brick, and the coping painted white.

“ This tower, which from the great height of the spot where it is raised, should be seen at an equal distance with the Light-house of Winga, is situated south, 71° east, of Winga; north, 20° west, of Ytra Tistlarna; and south, 71° east, by the compass, of Buskars-arm.

“ In entering these roads it is to be observed, that when a vessel has passed to the southward of Winga, she is to steer direct for the tower of Kängsö, until she arrives to the northward of Kängsö Tjärskär, situated west of Kängsö, and pointed out by a stone beacon. The entrance between Kängsö and Vargö, and the Port of Vargö-hala, south of the tower, will then be seen, and the vessel may proceed by the northward of the tower, directly and without danger, to the Quarantine Port of Kängsö, navigating along the north and north west coasts of Kängsö.”

JOHN BARROW.

POST HORSE DUTIES.

Stamp-Office, London, December 16, 1817.

NOTICE is hereby given, that, by virtue of an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, intituled “ An Act for letting to farm the Post Horse Duties, and for better securing and facilitating the recovery of the said Duties,” the Commissioners of Stamps will again put up to be let to farm, such of the said duties (which were granted by the Act of the forty-fourth year of His Majesty's reign, chap 98) as shall arise in the district under mentioned, at the *Stamp-Office, Somerset-Place*, on Wednesday the 14th day of January next, between the hours of eleven and one, at a yearly rent, for the term of three years from the 1st day of February next inclusive, the highest bidder at the former letting of the said duties having failed to complete his contract for the same, pursuant to the conditions at such letting, wherefore the said Commissioners of Stamps have declared such contract void:

No.	DISTRICT.	Annual Rent at which it will be put up.
16.	NORTH WALES, viz.	
	Anglesea	} £ 8000
	Carnarvonshire	
	Denbighshire	
	Flintshire	
	Merionethshire and	
	Montgomeryshire, with:	
	Shropshire	

The district will be put up at the sum above set opposite thereto, which, if there be no bidding, will be gradually abated down to a certain point, or till a bidding shall be made. The highest bidder will be declared the farmer, and will be required to pay down immediately, in Bank notes, seven and a half per cent. upon the annual rent as a deposit; if no sufficient bidding shall be made, it will be withdrawn.

All persons intending to bid for the said duties, are to deliver in their proposals, addressed to the Commissioners at the *Stamp-Office, Somerset-Place*, at least three days previous to the said 14th day of January next, signed with their names.