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St. James's, February 2.

THIS Day the Knights Brethren of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, being summoned to attend at a Chapter of that Order, to fill up the Stalls that were vacant by the Deaths of the late Marquess of Lothian, Earl of Tankerville, and Duke of Athol; His Majesty was pleased for this Time to dispence with the Formality of their appearing in their Robes, and only held a private Chapter of the Order in his Closet, where the Right Honourable the Earls of Essex and Dalkeith had the Honour to be invested with the Green Ribbon by the Hands of the Sovereign, and by a particular Dispensation, were allowed forthwith to wear the Star of the Order; and at the same, the Sovereign was also pleased by Commission to appoint the Right Honourable Alexander Earl of Marchmont, His Majesty's first Ambassadour and Plenipotentiary at the Congress at Cambray, to be invested with the said Order, which will speedily be sent to him.

St. James's, the 5th Day of February, 1724.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to appoint Richard Smith of Padbury, Esq; Sheriff of the County of Bucks.

Madrid, Jan. 22, N. S. Some Days ago an Auto de Fé was held at Cuença, when (among others) Doctor Zapata, a famous Physician of this Town, who was seized about three Years ago by the Inquisition and kept in close Prison, received his Sentence; by which he was condemned to a Year's Penance, to be during that Time instructed by some learned Divine, half of his Money and Effects confiscated, and to be banished for ten Years from residing in this or any other of the chief Cities in Spain. On the 16th Instant the Marquess de Almonaci and Castel Rodrigo died suddenly, being upwards of 80 Years of Age: He was the oldest Counsellour of State, and was formerly Master of the Horse to the Queen of Spain, which Employment he could not attend for several Years past by reason of his Infirmities: He has left great Part of his Estate to the Children of the late Prince Pio, whose Mother he had married. The 20th Instant being the Birth-Day of the Infante Don Carlos, there was a great Appearance at the Pardo of all the foreign Ministers and the Nobility to pay their Compliments to their Catholick Majesties on that Occasion. Letters from Cadiz of the 15th Instant advise, that the two Spanish Men of War, the Brandon and Oneto, so long designed to go to the West-Indies to cruise against the Pyrates in those Parts, failed out of that Port the 14th Instant with a Register-Ship and two Advice-Boats, under the Command of the Count de Clavijo.

Whitehall, Feb. 3, 1724.

Whereas His Majesty's Exchequer was broke open between Monday Noon and this Morning, and a considerable Sum of Money was taken out of the Office of the Right Honourable the Lord William Powlet; This is to give Notice, That if any Person concerned in the said Felony, or being any ways privy thereto, by advising or contriving the same, will surrender himself, and make a free Discovery of his Accomplice or Accomplices, so as they or any one of them shall be apprehended and convicted for the same, such Person, whether concerned in the said Felony, or in advising, contriving, or being privy thereto, shall have His Majesty's most gracious Pardon;

and as a further Encouragement shall have a Reward of One Thousand Pounds, to be paid by the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury. And if any other Person or Persons shall discover, apprehend, and convict any Person or Persons concerned in the said Felony, he or they shall receive the like Reward of One Thousand Pounds, to be paid in like Manner.

TOWNSHEND.

General Post-Office, Jan. 22, 1724-5.

Whereas the Chester Mail was robbed this Morning about Four a-Clock by two Highway-men, who overtook the Post-Boy between Redbourn and St. Albans, the one of them a lusty Man mounted upon a bay Horse in a loose Riding Coat, and a double-breasted Coat with Brass Buttons under it; the other a little Man mounted upon a grey Horse, also in a loose Riding Coat, who after having dismounted and bound the Boy, rifled the Mail, and took out most of the Bags, which they put into other Bags of their own, and tied them behind upon their Horses, and rode off towards St. Albans: This is to give Notice, That if any Person or Persons who shall apprehend the said Highwaymen who have committed this Robbery, will, upon their being convicted, be intitled to the Reward of Two Hundred Pounds for each of them, as published in the Gazettes, over and above the Rewards given by Act of Parliament for Apprehending of Highway-men: Or if either of them, or any Person concerned with them as an Accomplice, shall make a Discovery of them, or either of them, or any of their Accomplices, so as they may be convicted, such Person or Persons so making the Discovery shall not only be intitled to the Rewards above-mentioned for each Person convicted, but shall also be intitled to a Pardon, as promised in the Gazettes by His Majesty's special Command.

South-Sea-House, Jan. 28 1724-5.

The General Court of the South-Sea Company held at Merchant Taylors Hall having this Day come to the following Resolution, viz.

That it be referred to the Court of Directors at any Time on or before the last Day of March next, to Compound or Agree with the Borrowers on the Company's Loan in the Year 1720, in such Manner as they see Reasonable. The Court of Directors of the said Company think fit to publish the said Resolution for the Information of all Persons concerned.

South-Sea-House, London, Feb. 4, 1724-5.

The Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company give Notice, That they have appointed their Cashire to attend every Day (Sundays and Holidays excepted) between the Hours of Ten in the Forenoon and Two in the Afternoon, at the said Company's House in Broad-street, in order to receive such Proposals as shall be offered by, or on behalf of the Borrowers on the said Company's Loan in the Year 1720, pursuant to a Resolution of the General Court held the 28th of January last, in that Behalf: And that a Committee is appointed to sit at the same House, every Tuesday, between the same Hours, in order to consider such Proposals.

Trustees-Office South-Sea-House, Feb 5, 1724.

The Trustees appointed by Act of Parliament for Raising Money on the Estates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company and others do hereby give Notice, That the Court of Directors of the said Company hath come to several Resolutions touching the Debts, Estates, Interests, or Incumbrances claimed by the Persons following on the Estates herein mentioned vested in the said Trustees, viz. A Resolution on the Claim of John Cater, a Resolution on the Claim of Sir William Scawen, and a Resolution on the Claim of Dame Mary Hamond, severally, on the Estate late of Sir William Hamond, Kt. a Resolution on the Claim of Francis Neale on the Estate late of John Gore, Esq; a Resolution on the Claim of Nathaniel