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**A**T the Court at Kensington, the 15th Day of December 1726.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to appoint the following Sheriffs, viz.

Hereford,	William Chin of Walford, Esq;
Salop,	Edward Lloyd of Leatonhelf, Esq;
Suffolk,	Robert Goodrick, Esq;
Surry,	Thomas Steavens, Esq;

*Lisbon, Dec. 7, N. S.* The Maranhao Fleet consisting of four Merchant Ships having been seen off this Coast, the Victory, a Portuguese Man of War of Sixty Guns, was sent from hence to convoy them into Harbour: But before she could join the Fleet, two Algerine Cruizers had taken one of those Merchant Ships: However, the Ship of War's appearing preserved the other three, which were brought safe into this Port the 2d Instant. The Victory is again sent out, to guard the Coast, for the Return of the Pernambuco Fleet, which is soon expected. The Marquess de Fontes Son to the Marquess d'Abrantes, is to be married Tomorrow to a Grand-Daughter of the Duke of Cadaval. As this Lady is a near Relation, being his Sister's Daughter, a Dispensation for the Marriage was procured some time ago from Rome. His Portuguese Majesty goes on Monday next to Salva Terra to take for some few Days the Diversion of Hunting.

*Whitehall, December 17.*

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Thomas Wyndham, Esq; Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in Ireland, to be Lord Chancellor of that Kingdom; in the Room of the deceased Lord Chancellor Richard West, Esq;

His Majesty has also been pleased to appoint the said Thomas Wyndham, Esq; to be one of the Lords Justices of the said Kingdom.

*Whitehall, Dec. 12. 1726.*

Whereas Information has been given upon Oath by Joseph Withers of Tolland in the County of Somerset, That on the 31st of August last, several Reeks of Wheat, Barley, Pease, Oats, and Hay, belonging to the said Informant, were burnt down, which he had Reason to believe were maliciously set on Fire, and that his Dwelling-House, Out-houses, and Barns, were in the utmost Danger; and that on the same Night Four Horses, which were at Grass in a Field near his House, were poisoned by a poisonous Composition of Stuff being put into their Ears: His Majesty is pleased to grant His most gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders who

shall make Discovery of any Person or Persons concerned in setting Fire to the said Reeks, and poisoning the said Horses, so that such Person or Persons be convicted of the same.

TOWNSHEND.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, That the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut up from Wednesday the 21st Day of this Instant December, to Thursday the 19th of January next; and that the Annuity and Dividend Warrants due at Christmas, will be ready to be delivered to the Adventurers on Friday the 27th of January next.

*London Assurance-House, Dec. 14, 1726.*

The Court of Directors of the London Assurance Company do hereby give Notice, That a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Cornhill, London, on Friday the 23d Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon; being the Annual Court appointed by their Charter.

*Trustees-Office, South-Sea-House, Dec. 16, 1726.*

The Trustees appointed by Act of Parliament for Sale of the Estates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company and others; give Notice, That they intend to expose to Sale by Cart or Auction, to the best Bidder, in the Hall of the South-Sea-House, on Wednesday the 25th Day of January next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, the several Estates following, viz. A Freehold House in Rose-street, Covent Garden, and a House in Bread street, in the City of London, late the Estates of William Astell, Esq; (one of the said late Directors.) A Copyhold Estate at Market-Deeping, in the County of Lincoln, late the Estate of James Edmondson, Esq; (one of the said late Directors.) A Freehold Estate at Whelply-Hill, in the County of Bucks, and a Freehold Estate at Stanton-Barnard, in the County of Wilts, late the Estates of Francis Hawes, Esq; (one of the said late Directors) A Moiety of three Freehold Houses near Aldgate, in the City of London, late the Estate of Richard Houlditch, Esq; (one of the said late Directors.) A Leasehold House in Swithin's lane, in the City of London, late the Estate of Mr. Robert Knight, late Cashire of the said Company. An Estate at Abloads Court, in the County of Gloucester, late the Estate of Mr. Robert Surman, late Deputy Cashire of the said Company. Particulars of the said Estates may be had at the Trustees said Office.

Advertisements.

**T**HIS is to give Notice to the Creditors of Sir James Lumley, Bart. that in pursuance of a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, they are forthwith to come before Robert Holford, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, and prove their Debts, otherwise they will be excluded.