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Lisbon, April 9.

ADvices from Spain mention, that the King of Spain has dismissed the Marquis de St. Juan from his Employment of Lord Chamberlain, and the Marquis de Montalegre was appointed to succeed him; and that the Duke de Solfarino, Major Domo Major to Madame la Infanta, succeeds the Marquis de Montalegre. By Advices from Cadiz, the Flota which was on its Departure from thence for the Havana and La Vera Cruz, sailed with a fair Wind on the 14th past, and it has been reported, that the Tartans which accompanied them as far as the Canaries are returned to Cadiz, with an Account of their having passed those Islands. On the 1st Instant sailed out of the Tagus five Portuguese Men of War, with near 2000 Land Forces on board, for Goa, in order to preserve and extend the Conquests lately made by the Marquis de Alorna, the Portuguese Viceroy. This Expedition is thought to have cost above 200,000 l. Sterling. The five Merchant-men, which were taken by his Britannick Majesty's Ships the Edinburgh, Princess Louisa, Eagle, and Windsor, are brought into this Port.

Dresden, April 21, N. S. According to Advices from Warsaw of the 13th Instant, it is expected that the Russian Troops will enter Silesia about the 15th of next Month.

Hambourg, April 23, N. S. His Britannick Majesty's Ship the Gibraltar is arrived with the Trade under her Convoy from Hull, consisting of ten Sail for the River Elbe, two for the Weser, and five which he saw into the Texel.

Head Quarters at Hellinrouch, April 25, N. S. All the Accounts of the Siege of Maestricht are still very good; and the wet Weather has favour'd the Besieged very much. We have most violent Storms of Rain and Wind, and, the Enemy's two Bridges below the Town were entirely broke; and by some Advices we have received, the pontoons were all drove on Shore Yesterday. The Imperial Artillery is to pass the Rhine this Day at Dusseldorp, and Lieutenant General Guyn marched this Morning with 4000 Austrian Foot, and 1000 Horse, to cover their March.

Whitehall, April 21, 1748.

Whereas it has been represented to his Majesty, That on Saturday, the 16th Instant, about Two o'Clock in the Morning, near Thirty Smuglers, armed with Blanderbusses and Pistols, came into the Court Yard of the House of the Collector of the Customs at Colchester in Essex, threatening Thomas Coker, his Servant, with

immediate Death, if he did not shew them where his Master lay; and obliged the said Coker to shew them where the King's Warehouse was, which they broke open with a large Blacksmith's Hammer and Crow, and took from thence Sixty Oil Case Bags, containing One thousand five hundred and fourteen Pounds Weight of Tea, which, it is supposed, they conveyed early the same Morning to Hadleigh in Suffolk: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the said Robbery, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so as they, or any of them, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Custom-House, London.

And as a further Encouragement, the Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs do hereby promise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, to be paid upon the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders, by the Receiver General and Cashire of the Customs; and if any one of the Persons who were concerned in the said Robbery, will discover his Accomplices, so as any one or more of them may be apprehended and convicted thereof, he will be entitled to and receive the like Reward of One Hundred Pounds, to be paid upon the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

By Order of the Commissioners,
William Wood, Secretary.

Custom-House, London, April 5, 1748.

Whereas William Gray and Thomas Kemp, two notorious Smuglers, forcibly made their Escape out of Newgate on Wednesday the 30th of March last, about Eight o'Clock at Night, with the Assistance of some other Persons, by knocking down the Turnkey and one of his Assistants with Pistols and Broomsticks.

William Gray is about Twenty-six Years of Age, a well made Man, Five Feet eight or nine Inches high, of a fair Complexion and fresh Colour, and has lost the Thumb of his Left Hand; when he made his Escape he had on a light Russian Frock, and a strip'd Lapel Waistcoat.

Thomas Kemp, about the same Age, is a thin made Man, Five Feet eight or nine Inches high, of a fair Complexion, or little Pock-fretten and fresh Colour, Cape Coat and grizzle Peruke.

For the better discovering and bringing to Justice the said Gray and Kemp, the Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs do hereby promise a Reward of One hundred Pounds for the discovering and apprehending either of the said Persons (over and above the Reward of Fifty Pounds offered by the Keeper of Newgate;) to be paid by the Receiver General and Cashire of the Customs, upon their being apprehended and committed to Goal.

By Order of the Commissioners,
William Wood, Secretary.