

Morning. We hear Louvain and Malines are evacuated. The German Regiment of Prince Charles came hither this Morning; the Regiment of Orleans, which consists of two Battalions, was drawn up on the Parade, and quitted the Town to the Austrian Troops, who came in about Two of the Clock in the Afternoon. The Royal Piedmont Regiment of Horse, which was cantoned about us, departed this Morning to go into Garrison at Maubeuge. It is said we shall be evacuated by Tuesday next. M. de Sechelles, Intendant of the King's Army, goes To-morrow for Mons, where he will stay till the Time of the Evacuation. M. du Chayla returned on Thursday from Ghent, to make his Entry in Quality of Governor; a Detachment of Horse of the Regiment of Rouen was sent to conduct him, and M. de Contades and M. de la Grollez went out of the Gates to receive him.

Whitehall, January 10, 1748-9.

Whereas it has been represented to the King, That Richard Hawkins, late of Yapton in the County of Sussex, Labourer, being, some Time in the Month of January last, at Work in a Barn near the said Parish, was forcibly taken from thence by Jeremiab Curtis, alias Butler, late of Hawkburst in the County of Kent, and John Mills, alias Smoaker, of Trotton in the County of Sussex, Labourer, and was by them carried into a Back Room in the Dog and Partridge Alehouse on Slindeu Common; where Thomas Winter alias Coachman, alias Kentish Coachman, of Posling near Hythe, in the County of Kent, Farmer; and a Person called Rob, otherwise Little Fat Back, Servant to Jere. Curtis, which said Rob lives at or near East Grinstead, and is Brother to a Person living there, known by the Name of the Cackler, were waiting for them: In which Room they detained the said Richard Hawkins till about Twelve o'Clock at Night; when the said Jeremiab Curtis, John Mills, Rob, and Thomas Winter went away, and took with them the said Richard Hawkins; who was not afterwards seen or heard of till his Body was found in a Pond in Parham Park, in the said County of Sussex: That the Coroner's Inquest having sat upon the said Body, found it to be the Body of the said Richard Hawkins, and brought in their Verdict, Wilful Murder by Persons unknown.

And whereas it has been further represented to the King, That several Murders, Burglaries and Robberies have been lately committed in the County of Sussex; and that there is the strongest Reason to believe, that the said Jeremiab Curtis, John Mills, Rob, and Thomas Winter, were the Authors of the said Murder: His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the abovesaid Persons; as well as for discouraging such horrid and barbarous Outrages, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any Person who shall apprehend, or, by giving Information, shall cause to be apprehended, so as he or they be convicted thereof, any one or more of the said Offenders; notwithstanding the Person making such Discovery shall now stand outlawed, for not having surrendered himself to Justice, pursuant to Notice given in the London Gazette; provided that such Person shall not appear to have been concerned in the abovesaid Murder, or any

other Murder; or to have been concern'd in the breaking open his Majesty's Warehouse at Pool.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Custom-House, London, Jan. 10, 1748.

And as a further Encouragement for bringing the Offenders to Justice, the Commissioners of the Customs do hereby promise a Reward of Fifty Pounds for the discovering and apprehending each of the Persons concerned in the said Murder; to be paid by the Receiver General of the Customs upon the Conviction of each Offender respectively.

By Order of the Commissioners,
William Wood, Secr.

N. B. Thomas Winter is apprehended, and is now in his Majesty's Goal of Newgate in London.

London, Jan. 16, 1748.

General-Post-Office.

Whereas the Post-Boy bringing the Swaffham Mail, from that Town to Thetford, on Saturday last, the 14th Instant, was attacked on the Highway, at a Place called Bodney, between Swaffham and Thetford, in the County of Norfolk, by two Highwaymen on Horseback, who carried off the Letters contained in the Rougham, Holkham, Wells and Fakenham Bags, and also the Letters from several other Towns and Places in the Thetford Branch: The Persons who committed this Robbery are described to be both stout Men, and one of them was mounted on a light grey Horse, and the other on a Brown one. He on the Grey Horse was dressed in a Gold-laced light colour'd Waistcoat with a Great Coat over the same, and he on the Brown one, wore a compleat Soldier's Dress, with Gold Button Holes.

This it therefore to give Notice, That whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Persons, or either of them who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Person, or Persons, whether Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, do, or shall make Discovery, whereby the Persons, or either of them, who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer or Discoverers will, upon Conviction of both, or either of the said Robbers, be intitled to the same Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Post-master General,
George Shelvocke, Secretary.

London, Dec. 2, 1748,

General Post-Office.

Whereas the Post-Boy, bringing the West Mail from Andover to Basingstoke, was last Night, between the Hours of Seven and Eight, attacked on the Highway, about a Quarter of a Mile on this Side of a Place called Clarken Green, which is near Four Miles distant from Basingstoke in the County of Southampton, by a single Highwayman, who carried off the Letters contained in the following Bags, viz, The two Exeter Bags, Shaftsbury, Ashburton, Truro, Barnstaple, Launceston, Weymouth, Camelford, Bodmin, Tonnes, Ilchester, Dorchester, Somerton, Yeovil, and Blandford.

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