

and Government, the Hon. General Dalzell and Corps, Admiral Osborne and the Navy, with several others. At Night a Ball was given to the Ladies, and the whole was terminated greatly to the Honour of his Excellency, and the Satisfaction of the Publick.

Whitehall, Jan. 31, 1748-9.

Whereas it has been represented to the King, that Richard Hawkins, late of Yaptom 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 Jeremiahs Curtis alias Butler, late of Hawkhurst 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 Slendon Common, where Thomas Winter, alias Coachman, alias Kin ish Coachman, of Postling near Hythe in the County of Kent, Farmer, and a Person called Robb, alias Richard Rowland, of East Grinstead in the County of Sussex, 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 of the Clock at Night, when the said Jeremiahs Curtis, John Mills, Robb, 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 at a Special Commission of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery for the County of Sussex, held at Chichester on Monday the 16th Day of January last, a Bill of Indictment was found by the Grand Jury of the said County, against Samuel Downer, alias Samuel Howard, alias Little Sam, of Rowland's Castle in the County of Hants, Labourer, Edmund Richards, of Long Coppice, in the Parish of Warblington, in the said County, Labourer, and Henry Shurman, alias Little Harry, of Lye near Warblington aforesaid, Labourer, for the Murder of one William Gally; and also another Bill of Indictment was then and there found against Thomas Stringer, late of the City of Chichester, Cordwainer, and Daniel Perryer, alias Little Daniel, late of Norton in Sussex, Labourer, for the Murder of Daniel Chater; and also against John Mills, late of Trotton in the County of Sussex, Labourer, and Thomas Willis, commonly called the Coachman, of Selbourne near Lipbook in the County of Hants, Labourer, as Accessaries before the Fact; to which Indictments they nor any of them have yet appeared to be tried for the said Murders; His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the said Curtis, Mills, Robb, Downer, Richards, Shurman, Stringer, Perryer, and Willis, 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 hav-

ing 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 aforesaid Murder, or any other Murder, or to have been concerned in the Breaking open his Majesty's Warehouse at Poole.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Custom-House, London, Jan. 31, 1748.

And as a farther 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, over and above any other Reward which they may be otherwise entitled to.

By Order of the Commissioners,

William Wood, Secretary.

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

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.

This is to give Notice, That whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, the Person who committed this Robbery, of whom no particular Description is as yet come to Hand, 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, shall make Discovery, whereby the Person, who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer or Discoverers will, upon Conviction of the Party, 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, 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