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Com Lancast.<sup>r</sup> SsThe Information of Unidentified taken upon Oath before Cha Rigby &c.<sup>t</sup> Feb. 6.<sup>th</sup>  
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Who upon his Oath Informeth and saith that on or about the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October last, this Informant came to the house of one Edw<sup>d</sup> Gervace about a mile from Garstang towards Harnworh Moor with whome he this Deponent hath been acquainted some time before, And after some little discourse, this Informant told him the Said Unidentified of the Informant<sup>s</sup> Art of makeing Counterfeit Crown peices from Copper halfpence, & desired the Said Unidentified to let him make them in his house, which he willingly consented unto, this Informant went to work, and laying two Copper halfpence beaten out thin together with some Solder between he then put them into the fire and so fixed them, and after that this Deponent covered the peice over with a thin peice of beaten Silver, laying Solder between the Silver and the Copper peice and then putting it into the fire, this Informant covered the Copper peice on both sides with Silver, and the Edges with thin silver alsoo, and at that time he stayed 4. Nights at that Unidentifieds house, and the second day of his comeing, he made five of those peices covered as aforesaid at the makeing whereof the Said Unidentified was p<sup>re</sup>sent, and assistant, by Ha<sup>m</sup>mering out the Silver Thinn for covering the same, but 2. of those 5. peices miscarried the Silver being too much burnt; and upon the fifth day after this Deponent first comeing thither, this Informant telling the Said Edw<sup>d</sup> Gervace that he design'd to go into Yorkshire, about 3. miles from Askrigg, the Said Unidentified told this Deponent that he would furnish him with an horse if he were mindfull to ride, and this Informant leaving his house in the Evening of the 13. day of October last, the Said Unidentified betwixt 7. & 8. a clock that same Evening met this Informant near Goverthwait bridge, about 2. Miles from the Said Unidentified's house, with a Mouse coulour'd Gelding with a Dun white starr in his forehead, desireing this Informant to fest him at some pasture, in Yorkshire, untill he shud call or send for him, so this Informant told the said Unidentified he would leave him with one Abram Tennant in {Marcet} about <1v> three miles from Askrigg, which this Informant did on sunday night the 14. day of October last desireing him to put him into some pasture near him, till this Informant or some freind of his should call for him, this Deponent leaveing with the Said Abram Tennant 12<sup>s</sup>-6<sup>d</sup> in good money by Order of the said Unidentified to pay for the Horse's graseing &c.<sup>t</sup> This Informant doth beleive the Said Unidentified, Stole the same Gelding from Unidentified: since that the said Abram Tennant told this Informant that he had fested the Said Gelding with one Unidentified of Blackamoor Edge in Yorkshire. On tuesday the 16.<sup>th</sup> day of October last this Informant went with his before mentioned 5. plated peices, to the house {of} Unidentified (with whome this Informant had been acquainted with before) and shewing him all the 5. peices desired him to stamp them three of which (the other two being burnt) the Said Unidentified stamped them on both sides and mill'd them on the Edges, but did not let this Informant stand by or see them so stamped, but after Shew.<sup>d</sup> this Deponent 2. pair of Crown Stamps or Seales, and one pair for halfe Crownes, all which he said were cut by Unidentified of Lancaster, and brought to him the Said Unidentified by one John Tree alias veray, the Said Unidentified also Shewed this Informant both his Mills wherewith he Mill'd both Crowns & halfe Crowns - upon this Informant<sup>s</sup> leaveing the Said Unidentified he sold unto this Informant 13. Counterfeit halfe Crowns for halfe the vallue good money and at the same time Unidentified his son sold to this Informant 2. Counterfeit  $\frac{1}{2}$  Crown peices for 2<sup>s</sup>: 6.<sup>d</sup> Good money. And that the Weeke following he this Informant sould hos aforementioned three Crown peices and the 17.  $\frac{1}{2}$  Corwns to the aforesaid Abram Tennant, for (viz<sup>t</sup>) five Shillings counterfeit for

3.<sup>s</sup> Good money. And further upon his Oath saith that about a fortnight before last York Assizes, this Informant being at the house of Unidentified, at Linn-Gill about Six miles from Settle and five from Clapeham in Yorkshire this Informant did see Unidentified, cast 13, counterfeit Shillings in a mould made of Chalk, and about 4. days after Unidentified told this Informant he had given them all to one Unidentified who lived near the aforesaid Abram Tennant to put off for him. And further saith that about June last this Deponent being listed as a Souldier under Captain Unidentified, in the Unidentified's Regiment he run from his Coulours, and going to the house of the beforenamed Unidentified bought of him 4. Counterfeit Crown peices for 10.<sup>d</sup> in good money, and after wards sould 2. of the said peices to Unidentified of Bonds in this County Tanner (telling him they were counterfeit) for 7.<sup>s</sup> in good money. That a little before last Christmas the Said Unidentified, told this Informant that he being paying away 5.<sup>£</sup> (and amongst it the Said 2. Counterfeit Crown peices) to a man in poulton in this County, who suspecting them to be Counterfeit broak or cutt one of them, and finding the same to be bad kept them both as the Said Unidentified told this Informant - And also saith that on Michlemas day last at Lancaster one Unidentified about 3 miles from preston bought of this Informant 2. Counterfeit Crown peices for 5<sup>s</sup>. good money he knowing them to be Such, he the Said Unidentified haveing <2r> before that time bought of this Informant Severall parcells of counterfeit money. And further upon his oath saith that about the month of June last Unidentified of Barniker in this County, bought of this Informant at the Said Unidentifieds own house two Counterfeit Crown peices (knowing them to be bad) for Six Shillings good money. And further saith about two years ago one Unidentified of Neather wyresdale, bought of this Informant in Weddicar pasture one Counterfeit Crown peice for 3.<sup>s</sup> & Sixpence and about the same time this Informant Sould to Widdow Unidentified at Carters house in Barnicar one Counterfeit Crown peice for three Shillings

Tho.<sup>s</sup> Beesley Capt. et jurat apud Lancast<sup>er</sup> anō et die sup dict  
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