the playing with them is in it self Lawful and Innocent and the Making of them an honest and laborious Trade there was no Reason why any Subject should be hindered from getting his lively hood by that, than by any other Employment.

In Scotland Anno 1641 a gift for sealing Gaty to be granted to James Lord Lorn and Thomas Dalmahoy, the Patent of Lothian granted to the Earl of Marr, the patent of pearling granted to Barnatine, the patent of pearl granted to Robert Buchanan the Patent of Armour granted to Mary Maitland were Discharged, and all other patents of that Nature purchased or to be purchased for the Benefit of particular persons to the prejudice of the publick, were Declared Ineffectual Act 6. Par. 2 Jac. 2 Chap. The that Parliament and all the Acts therein were Annulled in the year 1661 Act 15 Parl. 1 Jac. 1 Chap. 6 The King Designed to improve Salt made in Scotland for keeping Money in the Country and bring up the Salt and obtain it to be sold out at Reasonable Rates, which was called the preemption of Salt. But the officers and servants Employed in Venting such Salt having taken Excorbitant prices and it being Difficult to keep Stores houses every where so that Remote places were ill furnished; and left this might be a preparation of a preemption of coaly corn &c. ad preemption of Salt was Discharged act 1 Parl. 2 Jac. 4 Chap. 2.

The Parliament also favour Monopolists, the Monopolies, seems to Connive at Monopolists, the Monopoly Grant Under the Lord of Exchequer in prices Imposed by the Crown Avarice of some persons, Jo. Vost Comm. ad Jul. Ad Lego Julia de Annona.

But sometimes for the publick good the King may grant the priviledge of Monopolies Bacon in Ed. 3 Monopolon. 3 Brandman in d. Jul. Cl. lib. 5 Cap.

Majesty may make a good grant to any one of the sole use of any profitable New Inventions or first brought into the Realm by the granted for a Reasonable time, as for the term of 14 years or Under 21 Jac. 1 cap. 3 § 6 Partly to Reward the Inventors Merit or pains and partly to Encourage others to do the like publick service. But such a New Invention must be substantially New, and not barely an additional Improvement of an old one Coke 3 Inst. 184. Hawkins P.C. lib. 1 cap. 79 § 15. Because that is only a Patent to put a new button to an old Coat, and fails of adding Inventions. Nor ought a New Invention to do as much work in a day by an Engine, as formerly it did to employ many hands, to be so Encouraged Coke ibid. Hawkins ibid. § 16. Because it is Inconvenient to turn so Many Labouring Men to idleness. And no Manufacture in use before can be prohibited in any grant of the sole use of a New Invention Coke ibid. Hawkins ibid. § 17. Again the Sovereign may grant privilege not to particular persons concerning printing 21 Jac. 1 cap. 3 § 10. so that the Majesty may Indulge to particular persons the sole privilege or use of some Employments, as of printing the Holy Scriptures Acts of Parliament Almanacks &c. 1 Mod. Rep. 256. 3 Mod. Rep. 75. Hawkins pl. Cr. lib. 1 cha. 79 § 6 Where of an Unreasonable liberty might be of Dangerous Consequence. Ed. Ja. Vost Comment. ad Sit. de Ff. consult. princip. n. 4.

The Taking black Mail i.e. Money or other Reward for Protection from Theft and Robbery, is a kind of Oppression punishable by Death with Death act 2 Parl. 1. act 102 Parl. ii. 36.

Formerly a sort of black Mail called Cailpe or Caipes, that is, the lost horse, Mare ox or Cow was paid by question after Mond. decease to the Chief or others in great power and Authority, for protecting the Children against Enemies Stone de Verb. signif. Verb. Caipes. Michel. Non Discharged Under the pain of Robbery Acts 88 & 89