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This file contains some excerpts from the BL's copy of the issue for 1777. In particular it contains a list of the justices of the peace for different parts of the county. Possibly this list has some value in itself; but I reproduce it because it goes to confirm the truth of something that I said before (Flight 2010:270-2). For people who knew what they were talking about, the word was always "lath", never "lathe". It is, I recognize, roughly 150 years too late to say this, but I will say it all the same.>