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Sir—

The anxious sollicitude I have heard that you show to benefit deserving, and distressed Individuals by recommending them to His Most Gracious Majesty's charitable notice, has as one to hope when you are acquainted with my truly sorrowful Tale that thro' your compassionate endeavour the sufferings of my case may be alleviated and the pangs of a distressed widow, and her fatherless Daughter depend by your humane notice of our Petition to that Gracious Sovereign whose compassionate heart I am told ever feels for the helpless, and distressed, and never suffers a case of real woe to go unnoticed—

That you may, Sir,

if you deign to step forward in our cause, know  
that



we are I hope deserving objects of your truly charitable  
attention, and in afflicting want of some fostering aid,  
that I am the widow of a Gentleman formerly a Merchant  
of great credit in India, who leaving me and my children  
destitute of any provision but what my jewels and  
Trinkets produced, my Daughter (my surviving child)  
and I have been by the unfortunate disposal of them  
cast into heartrending penury, thro' the failure of my  
Brother-in-law, a Merchant in Calcutta, whose Estate  
at his decease being so deranged his Executors only  
transmitted us a conditional Letter of credit for  
900 £ (our claim being 7000 £) on the House of Messrs  
Palmer McKelup and Co of King's Arms Yard who  
to pay this sum had it to recover of Mr Lushington  
Secretary at the Treasury, indebted to my late Brother-  
in-law's Estate, but from whom this money had  
never been obtained, and we are in consequence  
reduced to such extreme want - my child in a  
deplorable state of health, bereft of the commonest



necessaries of life, that I am, most humane Sir, induced to  
 present your notice of our case as thro' your representations  
 of the same, I am led to believe his Majesty's bounty is  
 distributed to those individuals who have moved  
 in a station in life above asking the aid of a public  
 charity, and for whose relief no other provision is  
 any where made. —

Not doubting his Majesty's gracious  
 disposition to bestow his charity, I nevertheless beg to  
 state that my two Brothers served his late Majesty  
 honorably — my eldest, Lieutenant John Hawley of  
 the 8<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot at the taking of the Cape of  
 Good Hope, and in Egypt with Sir Ralph Abercromby,  
 the hard service, and the privations he in common  
 with the Army crossing the Desert suffer'd, so  
 impair'd his health, that he fell a victim at  
 an early age to a complication of disorders  
 brought on by that expedition and he expired  
 at Baroach shortly after his return there. —

My Youngests



Brother Lieutenant Charles Harvey of Marines (his Captain  
being killed early in the engagement) commanded the  
Marines on board the Goleath at the memorable  
Battle of the Nile - He served also with Earl St  
Vincent and in numerous other engagements  
and now holds an appointment given him  
by the Marquis of Hastings in the Regular  
Infantry of the Rajah of Nagpore, but having  
had the four Daughters of his deceased Brother  
- in - law to maintain - he could not extend his  
aid to me and my Daughter. —

To Mrs Webb the East  
India Director Lady and to William Baggie Esq  
late Resident of <sup>Samarang</sup> Java my case is known.

I now implore Sir  
in consideration of my child's lingering illness  
your truly benevolent voice for us, who have  
the power of communion with his Gracious Majesty  
and the will I am told to aid by your powerful



recommendations the sufferers out of their trouble —

I am told that  
no appeal is made in vain aided by your  
interposition — Most devoutly I pray that mine may reach  
the ear of His Gracious and Good Majesty and that  
thro his means my dear, and only child, may be  
restored to me — and health, for which, I can never  
cease too sincerely to pray, for His Majesty, the  
source of my would be then happiness. —

May I be permitted most humbly

Sir

to subscribe myself

your very obedient

and devoted servant

14<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1825

Charlotte Prager —

51 Great Mary-la-Bonne Street

London —

To Sir William Knipeston —



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Mr William Knighton  
Windsor



Miss Douglas  
for Apartment  
111 - April 1825



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London October 16<sup>th</sup> 1825.

W. G. Little. New Lane  
Temple Bar.

Dear Sir,

It is a weary day since I last addressed  
you, and I ought, I believe, to be concluded  
by your silence on that occasion. But alas! mi-  
-sery is no formalist, at least such as mine, &  
if you know its nature and extent, you would  
I am sure excuse it, even should you think  
it impertunate.

The entire Summer and Autumn I have been  
afflicted with Cholera Morbus, sometimes in its  
worst degree, now and then more mitigated; but  
never for an hour free from pain or sickness. The  
consequence is exceeding exhaustion, and I  
must expect the worst, unless I shall be a  
little more sustained than I am at present.

I will not enter into details of my ac-  
-tual situation, which might give pain where  
I am but too conscious, I have no right to in-  
-flict it. Suffice it, that had I this day the  
Sir A. Bernard &c. &c.  
Be. be. be.                      Uncertainty

W. G. Little  
New Lane  
Temple Bar  
London  
1825

Mr. Bernard  
10. Oct. 1825

W. G. Little  
New Lane  
Temple Bar  
London  
1825



Mr. Bernard  
10. Oct. 1825



certainly of a meal's meat, or a night's lodging,  
you should not have been plagued with this.

In the name of G-d dear Sir, and for the  
memory of him whom I will not name, I conjure  
you to send me one line of comfort and consola-  
-tion by the return of the Post, for be assured  
not a being under the cope <sup>of Heaven</sup> needs such, more than  
dear Sir.

Yours ever grateful  
and affectionate Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>.

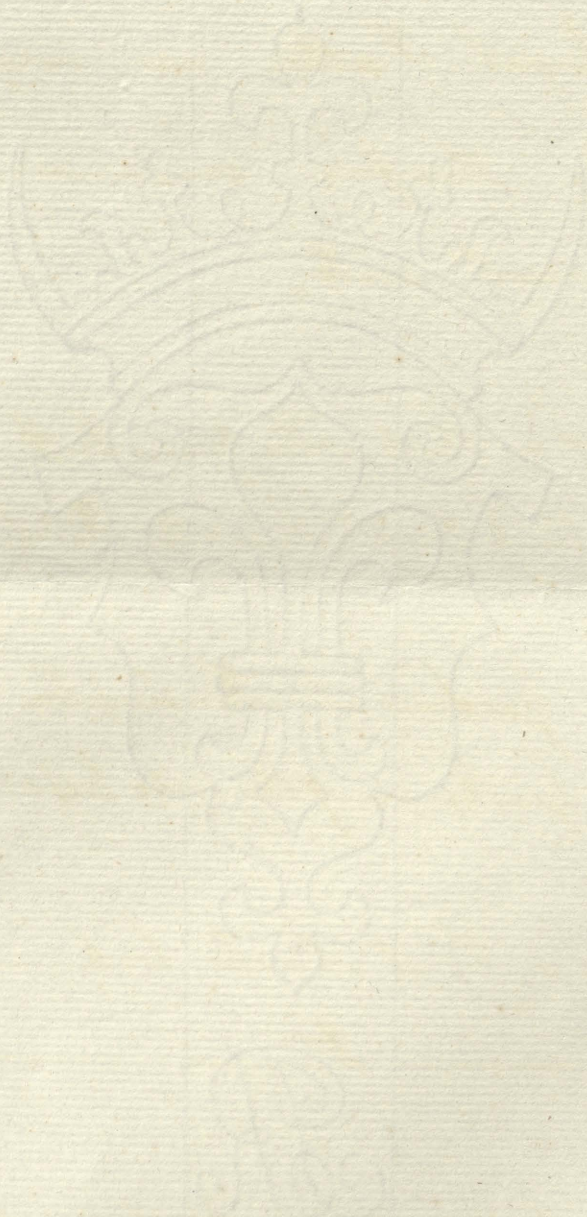
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George R.

Whereas it hath been humbly represented unto Us that several of Our Household Servants have died in Our Service in very poor circumstances whereby their Widows are become objects of Our Royal Bounty and Compassion and also that some of the Servants of Our late Royal Father are very great objects of Our Royal Bounty. We therefore commiserating their great necessities do give and grant unto,

Louisa Stone	Widow of a Clerk of the Green Cloth	150	"	"	✓
Mary Wharton	Do of a Clerk Comptroller of the Kitchen	150	"	"	
				300	"
Mary Forsyth	Do of a Gardener at Kensington	100	"	"	
Phillis Ramus	Do of a Gentleman of the Wine Cellar	100	"	"	
				200	"
Charlotte Wybrow	Do of a First Master Cook	80	"	"	
Martha Donaldson	Do Do	80	"	"	
				160	"
Jane Stephenson	Children of an Under Clerk of the Board of Green Cloth.	20	"	"	✓
Martha Stephenson		20	"	"	✓
Charlotte Stephenson		20	"	"	✓
				60	"
Mary Hammond	Widow of a Sergeant Porter	70	"	"	
				Carried forward	£ 790



Brought forward £ 790 " "

Elyza Orton Widow of a Gentleman of the Pantry 60 " "  
 Catherine Cope Do of a Yeoman of the Mouth 60 " "  
 Elyza Lovers Do of a Do of the Coal Yard 60 " "  
 Mary Powell Do of a Gentleman of the Spicery 60 " "  
 Constantia Evans Do of a Master Scower 60 " "  
 Betty Turner Do of a Gardener at Brighton 60 " "

360 " "

Mary Constant Do of a Yeoman of the Ivory 50 " "  
 Jane Evans Do Do 50 " "  
 Ann Boulwood Do of a Yeoman of Silver Scullery 50 " "  
 C. M. Smith Her husband late Pastry cook insane 50 " "  
 Mary Hooker Widow of a Yeoman of the Ivory 50 " "  
 Jane Williams Do of a Yeoman of the Silver Scullery 50 " "

300 " "

Louisa Kennedy Do of a Groom of the Kitchen 40 " "  
 Ann Smith Do Do 40 " "  
 Sarah Parker Do of a Groom of the Wine Cellar, 6  
 young children, Name, 1 lost an eye 40 " " ✓  
 Deborah Howles Widow of a Mepayer of Board of Green Cloth 40 " "  
 M. A. Hardy Do of a Marshalman 40 " "  
 Fanny Geller Do of a Groom of the Bread Pantry 40 " "  
 Rachael Woodin Do of an Assistant in Silver Scullery 40 " "

280 " "

Murray Hollis Son of a Gentleman of the Buttery 35 " "  
 Mary Merrick for the 3 Orphan Children of a late Porter  
 at Windsor until they are apprenticed 35 " "

70 " "

Carried forward £ 1800 " "



Brought forward £1800 " "

Mary Pott	Widow of a Pastry Cook	30	" "
Annah Wilson	Do of a Groom of the Silver Sullery	30	" "
Sarah Lemon	Do of a Youngest Groom Porter	30	" "
S. Steventon	Do of a Third Groom Porter	30	" "
Mary Randall	Do of a Yeoman Porter	30	" "
Mary. Pundrill	Do of a Scourer in the Kitchen	30	" "
Elizabeth Hook	Do of a Child of the Kitchen	30	" "
Grace Doughty	Do of a Turner of the Pastry	30	" "
J. Poyntington	Do of a Child of the Kitchen	30	" "
W <sup>m</sup> , Sarah, & Anne	Orphan Children of W. Walobron late Porter at Cartton House until apprenticed	30	" "

300 " "

Mary Silburne	Widow of a Porter of Board of Green Cloth	25	" "
Chas. Langworth	Orphan Child of a Groom of the Wine Cellar	25	" "
Harriet Evans	Widow of a Groom Porter	25	" "

75 " "

Thy. Paniter	Do of an Under Scourer, 7 Children	20	" "
Jane Wlden	Do Do	20	" "
Heonor Steel	Do of a Child of the Kitchen	20	" "
Sarah Pearce	Do of a Soil Carrier, 4 Children	20	" "
Elizabeth Grey	Do of a Groom Porter	20	" "
Ann Wake	Do of a Porter at Queen's House, 1 Child	20	" "
Elizabeth Thompson	Do of a Turnbroach, 2 Children & 3 Pipples	20	" "
Annah Miles	Do of an Assistant Scourer	20	" "
Sarah Lowrie	Do of a Gentleman Porter	20	" "
Sarah Lowles	Do of a Porter in the Spicery	20	" "
Rebecca Scur	Do of a Coal Porter	20	" "
Agnes Layton	Do of a New Waterman	20	" "
Rebecca Roberts	Do of a Yeoman Porter	20	" "

Carried forward £260 " " £2175 " "



	Brought forward	£ 260 .. ..	£ 2.175 .. ..
Sarah Nicholls	Widow of a Porter of the Bread Pantry	20 .. ..	
Sarah Gurnshend	Widow of a Coal Porter	20 .. ..	
Ann Collins	Do Do	20 .. ..	
Ann Wilton	Do of a Lamplighter	20 .. ..	
A. M. Lumber	Granddaughter of a Porter at Windsor	20 .. ..	
Deborah Warren	A Widow with 2 Children, daughter of a Roasting Cook	20 .. ..	
			380 .. ..
Sarah Gray	Widow of Mr. Gray killed by Accident	18 .. ..	
Mary Elly	Do of a Keeper of Gate, Hyde Park	15 .. ..	
Elizabeth Duff	Do of a Turnbroach	15 .. ..	
Hannah Deane	Do of an Assistant Sower in Butcher Sullery	15 .. ..	
Ann Fickner	Do of a Messenger in Clerk of Fitcham's Office	15 .. ..	
Ann Eaton	Do of a Table Decker to Maids of Honor	15 .. ..	
Mary Siskin	Do of a Coal Porter	15 .. ..	
Sarah Reeves	Do of a Soil Carrier	15 .. ..	
Hannah Wybrow	Do of a Deputy Turnbroach	15 .. ..	
Martha Lovett	Do of an Assistant in Butcher Sullery	15 .. ..	
Penny	Do of a Coal Porter	15 .. ..	
			150 .. ..
Mary Crawford	Do of a Watchman at Kensington Palace	5 .. ..	
			£ 2.728 .. ..

Amounting in the whole to the sum of Two Thousand Seven hundred and twenty eight Pounds and it is Our Will and Pleasure that the same be paid to them as a Bounty and placed in the Accounts of Our Household for the Christmas Quarter, any article or clause in Our Establishment to the contrary notwithstanding and that such Our Royal Bounty be discontinued without Our special direction under Our Sign Manual, and for so doing this shall be your Warrant

Given at Our Royal Palace at Windsor the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January One Thousand eight hundred and twenty Six.

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To our Right Trusty and well beloved  
 Cousin and Councillor, Henry Burton  
 Marquis Conyngham Lord Steward  
 of our Household and the rest of  
 the Officers of our Board of  
 Green Cloth. ———

Annual Bounty in 1818	—	£2.178	—	—	—
1819	—	2.283	—	—	—
1820	—	2.298	—	—	—
1821	—	2.313	—	—	—
1822	—	2.293	—	—	—
1823	—	2.648	—	—	—
1824	—	2.703	—	—	—
1825	—	2.728	—	—	—

The names with the exception of new grants and  
 some few Widows who have died off are the same in all  
 the years. ———



Annual Bounty in  
Lord Steward's

Department in the

Years 1818, 1819, 1820,

1821, 1822, 1823, 1824

& 1825. \_\_\_\_\_

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Dear Sir William.

I inclose you a little note which was brought to me today by Miss Rice, she is in considerable distress. You will probably scarcely recollect her case, as she applied to you so long ago. It is shortly this - Her father was upwards of 40 years in the King's service, in which he died as Clerk of the Kitchen. Her youngest brother, also in the King's service, died in the office of his father three years ago. Neither left any assets, and she defrayed the expenses of their interments & funerals, & paid their debts. Her own income is £100 a year, which is derived from a pension, as having lived upwards of 14 years in the late Queen Charlotte's service.



She owes for rent £106, and has to pay  
debts besides; but in order to extricate herself  
her intention is to give up her house, & to  
go again into service.

I have inquired carefully into her character,  
and do think that it is a case worthy of your  
attention; & I have therefore ventured to bring  
it before you, knowing full well that if it  
appears to you in the same light, your feelings  
will prompt you to offer some assistance, if  
it is possible.

The box containing the copy of Handel for the  
King of Prussia, which I lately mentioned to you  
was ready, should have the Ambassador's seal  
affixed to it before it is sent; as the books will  
suffer great mischief, if unpacked for examination  
at the Custom House.



I am

Dear Sir William

Your most faithful and obliged servant,  
Charles R. Sumner.

Windsor.

Jan<sup>y</sup>. 20<sup>th</sup>. 1826.



20<sup>th</sup> January 1820.

Donations

Rev.<sup>d</sup> Dr. Sumner  
to  
Sir Wm. Knigh-ton

In behalf of Miss  
Rice (in Custody) -

25<sup>th</sup> January - A Draft for £120.-  
issued from the Privy Purse  
Separate Acct. - for said Miss  
Rice - See Sir Wm's Sentinals  
in Margin of Ledger Book.



23<sup>d</sup> April  
1826

Mr. Hill - to Sir W. Ke -

with a Case of Distress  
of the Widow and Daughters  
of the late Mr. John Whitcomb,  
formerly of Gosport -

19<sup>th</sup> May - Took the enclosed  
Statement to the Hon.<sup>ble</sup> Geo.  
Vernon (by desire of Sir W. Ke.)  
and received from Mr. Vernon  
Ten Pounds as a contribution,  
which F. D. took the next  
day to Mr. Collier at Messrs  
Hoare & Co. Mr. Vernon has  
already paid in one subscription  
of Ten Pounds to the same case  
of distress.

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Treasury Chamber

My Dear Sir

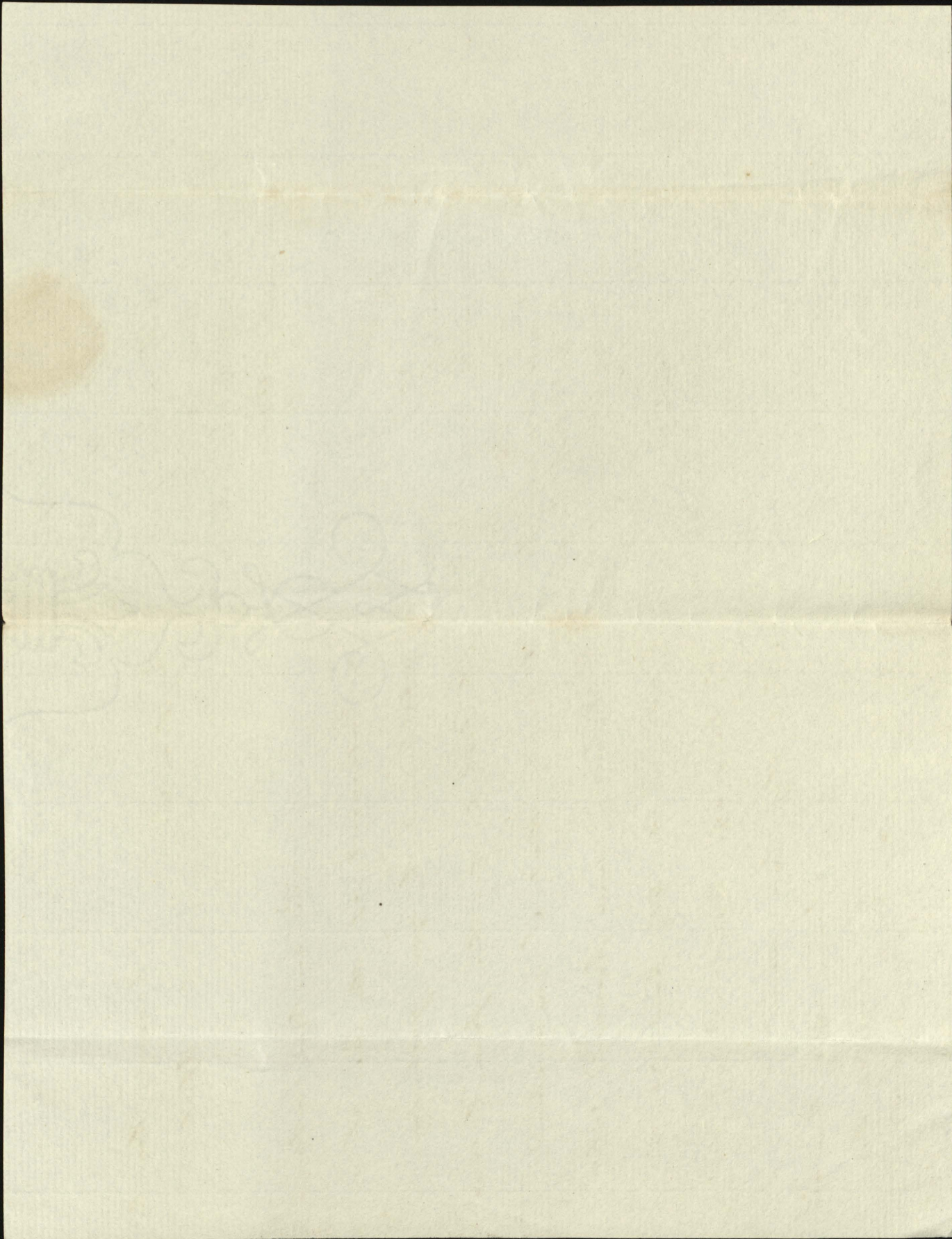
April 23

The enclosed contains  
a Statement of the Case I  
mentioned to you yesterday -  
The Disbur of this family was  
so great, that I understand  
Mr. Robinson was prevailed upon  
to order £20 to be paid as of  
His Majesty's Royal Bounty and  
what they have received,

I have the Honour to

My Dear Sir  
Sir W. Kebleton W<sup>th</sup> very respectfully  
Yours  
W. Hill







Case of the Widow and Daughters of the  
late Mr. John Whitecomb, formerly of Gosport.

Mr. John Whitecomb died on Tuesday the  
28<sup>th</sup> of March in a small room in an  
obscure Court near Temple Bar., his death  
hastened by want of food, leaving his  
Widow (a Cripple) and two Daughters in a  
most bereaved and destitute state, - without  
food, without money, and as they imagined  
without friends - the one small room  
which they rented has for some days been  
tenanted by the Corpse of the Father, the  
crippled Widow, and two unmarried  
Daughters, a married Daughter (also a  
Widow) and her two Daughters, in all  
six Persons, a single Bed between them  
and every aggravation of extreme poverty,  
want and wretchedness. The humanity  
of an Individual acquainted with their  
extremely destitute state and unable to  
relieve them himself, induced him to  
mention it to a Gentleman who remembers  
the Family in a state of comparative affluence  
and now knows them to be in absolute want.

M.



Mr. Whitcomb in his prosperous days was distinguished for his loyalty in raising a Volunteer Corps at his own expense of which he was Major and Commandant - The well known and excessive depreciation of property in Portsmouth and Gosport at the peace was felt in a manner almost approaching to ruin by Mr. Whitcomb; - that absolute ruin, though averted for a time, subsequently followed and Mr. Whitcomb died in want and has left his widow and Daughters entirely destitute.

31. March 1826



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8 May 1826

Sir,

My Mother has desired me to give you the enclosed, may I be permitted to add my petition to his for a favourable answer. As you may be surpris'd at her applying for His Majesty's bounty before it becomes due, allow me to say that out of the money she received from you last Jan'y she had £30 to pay for a Tombstone for my dear Father besides which she has my unfortunate Mother George & his Wife to support till he can get employment which through the assistance of some kind friends he has the promise of. Be assur'd Sir had it been in my power to assist her in her present emergency we would not again have intruded ourselves upon your notice but all I can well spare you to the support of another unfortunate Brother who is & has been for some time labouring under an aberration of mind. I trust your goodness will pardon the



liberty I take in thus addressing you which nothing  
but anxiety for my Mother should induce me to do  
Believe me to remain with the greatest respect

Sir

Your ob<sup>d</sup> humble servant  
Edw<sup>d</sup> Wharton

Coulton House  
May 18<sup>th</sup> 1826



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Mr. William Brightons Bank  
de - London



Penny  
Donation

4<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> May 1826  
Mr & Mrs Whitton  
St  
de William Brightons



Mr. Danvers presents his Compts to Mrs. Wharton - Her note to Sir William Knighton having been transmitted to this Office, Mr. Danvers is sorry to acquaint Mrs. Wharton that it is utterly impracticable to advance the Sum of Fifty Pounds in compensation for the loss of her Apartment before it becomes due, but Mr. Danvers is authorized to state that Mrs. Wharton may receive the Allowance in quarterly payments as requested, and that the Sum of Twelve Pounds Ten Shillings for the quarter ending 5<sup>th</sup> April will be p<sup>d</sup> to her on her mak<sup>g</sup> application for the same at this Office - The like accommod<sup>on</sup> will also be extended to Mrs. Wharton's three Daughters who may now receive their joint allowance (Twenty five Pounds) for the same quarter.

Archib. of Cornwall  
 Somerset Place  
 12. May 1826.







Hammer Smith Jan<sup>y</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1826.

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Sir

Please to accept my  
most grateful thanks for  
£10, which I received from  
Mr. Darnley & beg to apologise  
for having been so negligent  
in my application.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obed<sup>t</sup> & very humble Serv<sup>nt</sup>

Mary Wharton

Sir W. Knighton Bart.

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20<sup>th</sup> Janry 1820

Mr. Wharton

Acknowledgments  
to Sir W. Bampfden for  
Payments on 17<sup>th</sup> inst  
(See Privy Purse Separate  
Acct.)



22<sup>nd</sup> May 1820

Mr Lucien Jones  
to  
Sir William Knighton  
for Assistance

F.D.D. wrote to Mr L. Jones on 23<sup>rd</sup>.  
Now stating that applications  
of this description must be  
accompanied with respectable  
references - (by desire)

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Monday May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sir

In appealing to Royal beneficence through  
your medium, I feel that I need no stronger advocacy,  
of my suit than simply to state to your generous heart  
the distressing circumstances under which I am labouring,  
and which hourly threaten me with the most ruinous  
consequences - My father possessed a small benefice  
in Wales, and died leaving a numerous family entirely  
unprovided for, having received a Classical education  
I have been enabled hitherto to support myself by being  
an assistant in a school, & in my leisure hours by giving  
instruction to young Gentlemen at their own homes, unfortu-  
nately the school has failed, and I have been unoccupied now  
for some months, and am reduced to absolute want of the  
means of existence, my wife, Sir has only been lately put  
to bed, and for her & my children, both weak and feeble  
I fear the most dreadful results, the entire of my books and  
wearing apparel have been pawned, and debts have unavoidably  
been incurred for which I am now threatened with arrest, thus  
reducing me & mine to the last extreme of misery & distress.

It is under such circumstances that I venture to solicit  
your generosity, and make my humble petition to that munifi-  
cence which is so nobly extended to suffering & want.

I shall not further trespass on your valuable time than  
by praying you to pardon the liberty I have taken, & trusting that  
you will reap the reward of your generosity & benevolence. I can  
give the most satisfactory references of character -

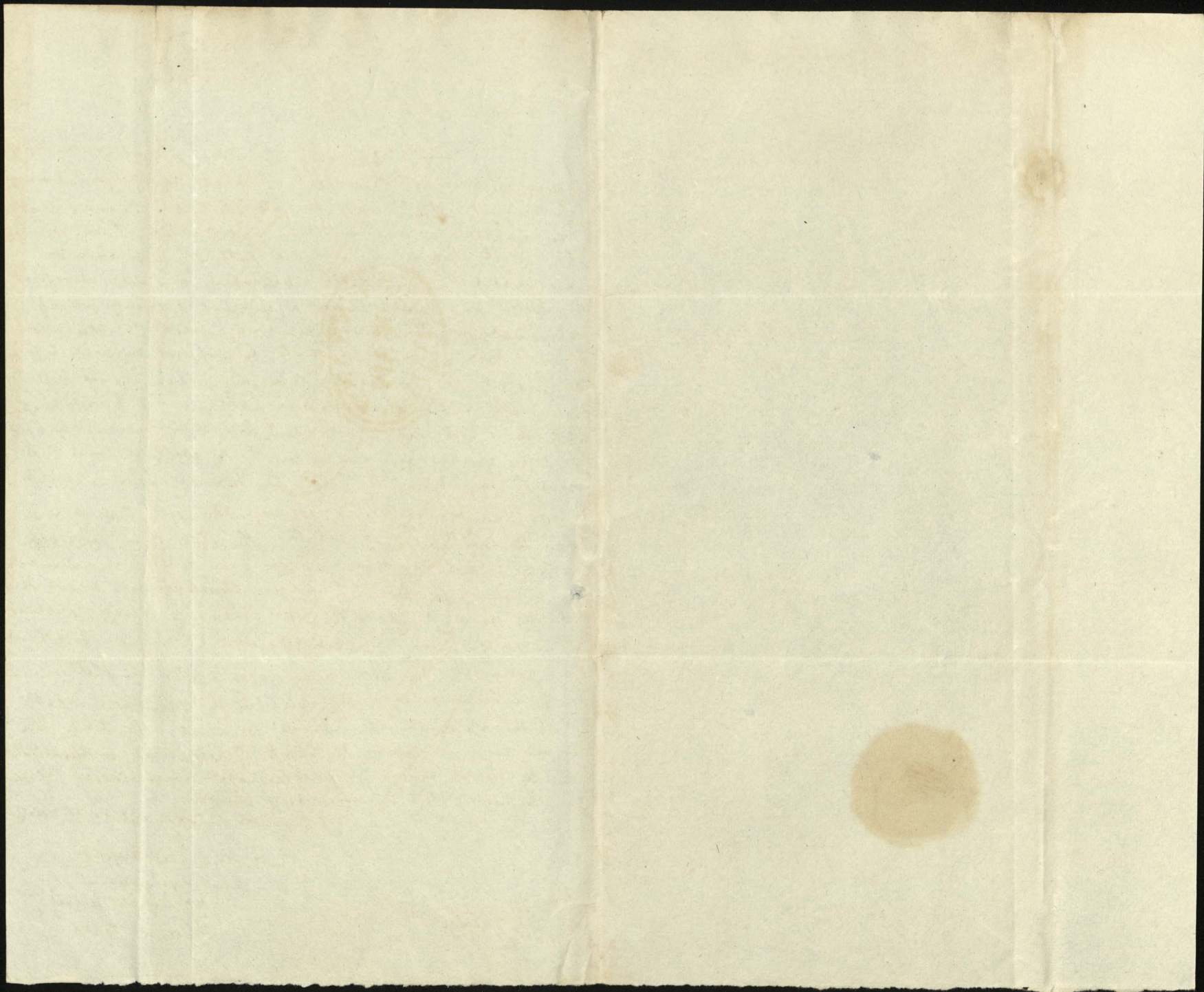
I have the honor to subscribe myself

Sir  
with the greatest respect

Your most obedient  
very humble servant  
Lucien Jones

Harland Place 7  
Highgate







## TWO-PENNY POST-OFFICE.

**T**HE enclosed has been opened by the proper Officer, and is returned to you for the Reason assigned thereon.

T. M. MUSGRAVE, Comptroller.

### REGULATIONS.

There are *Two Principal Offices*, One in the *General Post-Office Yard, Lombard-street*, and the other in *Gerrard-street, Soho*. There are, besides, numerous Receiving Houses for Letters, both in Town and Country.

There are *SIX Collections and Deliveries of Letters in Town*, daily, (Sundays excepted) and there are *Two Dispatches from, and Three Deliveries at, most Places in the Country*, within the Limits of this Office.

The Hours by which Letters should be put into the Receiving Houses in Town, for each Delivery, are as follow:

For Delivery in TOWN.		For Delivery in the COUNTRY.	
Over Night by . . . . .	8 o'Clock for the First		Delivery
Morning . . . . .	8 . . . . .	The preceding Evening by 5 o'Clock for the First	
. . . . .	10 . . . . .	Morning . . . . . 8 . . . . .	Second
. . . . .	12 . . . . .	Afternoon . . . . . 2 . . . . .	Third
Afternoon . . . . .	2 . . . . .		
. . . . .	5 . . . . .		
	Deliveries		
	First		
	Second		
	Third		
	Fourth		
	Fifth		
	Sixth		

But Letters, whether for Town or Country, may be put in at either of the Two Principal Offices an Hour later for each Dispatch.

Letters put in on Saturday Evening are delivered in the Country on Sunday Morning.

The date Stamp, or, if there are Two, that having the latest Hour, shews the Time of Day by which the Letters were dispatched for Delivery from the Principal Offices.

The Postage of a Letter from one part of the Town to another, both being within the Delivery of the General Post-Office, is Two pence; and to and from parts beyond that Delivery Three-pence; and the Postage of this Office on each Letter passing to or from the General or Foreign Post-Offices, is Two-pence.

The Two-penny Postage of all Letters, such as are for Parts out of His Majesty's Dominions excepted, may or may not be paid at putting in, at the Option of the Senders.

No Two-penny Post Letter must weigh more than Four Ounces.

The Delivery of this Office extends to the following and intermediate Places.

In **KENT**—Woolwich; Plumstead; Shooter's Hill; Eltham; Mottingham; South End; Lewisham; Beckenham; and Sydenham.

In **SURREY**—Croydon; Beddington; Carshalton; Mitcham; Morden; Merton; Wimbledon; Ham; Petersham; and Richmond.

In **MIDDLESEX** and **HERTS**—Twickenham; Teddington; Hampton; Hampton Court; Hampton Wick; Sunbury; Whitton; Isleworth; Brentford; Ealing; Hanwell; Harrow; Kenton; Wembley; Willson; Kingsbury; The Hyde; Mill Hill; Highwood Hill; Totteridge; Whetstone; Friern Barnet; East Barnet; Southgate; Winchmore Hill; and Enfield.

In **ESSEX**—Chingford; Sewardstone; High Beach; Loughton; Chigwell and Row; Wanstead; Ilford; and Barking.

Cash in Gold or Silver, or other Articles of Value enclosed in Letters (Notes or Drafts for Money excepted) to be mentioned to the Office-keeper at putting in; but it is recommended that Bank Notes, or others payable to Bearer, be cut in half and sent at twice, the Second Part not to be sent till the Receipt of the First be acknowledged. *This Office, however, is not liable to make good the Loss of any Property sent by Post.*

It is earnestly requested that Persons receiving Letters will not detain the Letter-Carriers at their doors longer than can be avoided.

Letters for this Delivery are frequently by mistake put into the General Post, by which they are unavoidably delayed; It is therefore recommended that they be put into the Two-penny Post Offices or Receiving Houses, in order that they may be regularly forwarded by their proper conveyance.

**BYE POST.** A Bye Post is established on each Road within the Country-Delivery of this Office, by which Letters are transmitted from one part to another of the same district, direct, and without coming to London.

Any irregularity in the Delivery of Letters communicated to the Comptroller will be duly attended to, and if the Covers bearing the date Stamp are produced they will assist materially in discovering where the fault lies.

**Illegal conveyance of Letters:** By the 9th Queen Anne, cap. 10. "Any Person illegally conveying Letters, incurs a penalty of £5. for every offence, and £100. for every week the practice is continued." And by 42d. Geo. III. cap. 81. "The Sender also incurs a penalty of £5. for every offence with full Costs of Suit."



J. D. Danvers Esq



Duchy of Cornwall

Returned Letter. Somerset Place  
Paid



Mr. F. D. Danvers presents  
his Compliments to Mr.  
Lucien Jones - He has  
read his letter of the  
22.<sup>d</sup> inst. supplicating  
that the Royal beneficence  
may be extended to him,  
and acquaints Mr. L. Jones  
that such applications  
must ever be attended  
with respectable references.

Duchy of Cornwall  
Somerset Place  
23.<sup>d</sup> May 1820















Sir

I hope you will excuse the liberty I take  
in addressing a few lines to you in behalf  
of a daughter of mine who is left a widow  
with four children for whom after a long  
attendance upon her husband I feel much  
interested. The case is not unknown to our Majesty  
and has been indeed very carefully favored with  
his attention & bounty. This poor woman's husband  
J<sup>m</sup> Rappin was Porter at Carleton house 19  
years and lost the use of his left side on the  
day of the funeral of Queen Charlotte, from  
extreme fatigue as it appeared on that day. His



present Majesty most graciously directed every  
attention to be paid to him, and he remained at  
Frogmore two months in that state. Rapkin,  
had saved nearly £500 (the joint savings of himself  
& his wife) which he placed in the savings bank  
in Golden Square; by some means with which  
I am unacquainted that Bank failed and his and  
many others of his Majesty's household and  
had made deposits there lost the whole. This  
affected his mind so much that he left his family  
in a deranged state for six weeks & had never  
fully recovered a settled state of mind before  
his death. He had a long & distressing sickness



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through which his wife, who is a very interesting woman,  
served him most tenderly. She lived as Cook  
at Curleton house 7 years & 3 years with the  
Duchess Charlotte - During the protracted sickness  
of her husband they were in very great distress,  
indeed quite destitute, the pension he enjoyed having  
been anticipated - It is on behalf the 2 children  
the eldest being of my age, that I venture to  
address you at the request of Mrs. Rappin. She  
will have the honor of presenting this to you and  
you will easily learn from herself the truth of  
all these particulars - I remain Sir

With great respect  
Your humble Servant  
Dorcas Kensington Esq. Alderman of St. Pauls.  
Aust. a.



9. Aug. 1826

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Arch-deacon Pott -

to  
Sir Wm Knighton  
-

with the Case of  
Sannah Rapkin, &c.



Guernsey Foret the 19<sup>th</sup> of August 1826

Your Most Gracious Majesty will please to forgive the boldness that I take in writing these few words to acquaint your Majesty that I have served Faithful his Majesty King George the 3<sup>d</sup> from the 27<sup>th</sup> of April 1793 to the Month of April 1801 that I have been Invalided and liberated out of your service by the accidents which I received on board his Majesty's Ship Marlbroc in the month of March 1800 being in the dock yard at Plymouth taking out the iron balest out of the Marlbroc I receed a spark of rust in the left eye which cut it so that I lost sight of it after we lost the Marlbroc the 5<sup>th</sup> of November 1800 on the Coast of France while the ship was Packing I receed a blow in the secrets for which I was Invalided as the officers where going to leave us I applied to the surgeon for my ticket but Capt Todoby came foreward and said that we were not in a situation of aranging that I am cured that no doubt but I should loose my pension and he answered me on his word of honour that I should have my ticket as soon as we should arrive in England but I have not seen him since so I have lost my pension after many applications to my officers and the Lords of the Admiralty therefore I Refer my Complaint



to your Most Excellent Majesty beseeching  
you to pity a Poor and most blind by the  
accidents that i have receved at your service  
i remain your most humble and  
faithful servant  
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Richard Martin  
(writing)

Application for  
Pardon -

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These are to certify that Rich<sup>d</sup> Martin served as  
one of the <sup>9</sup> Carpenters ~~was~~ on board His Majesty's Ship, *Marble* under my  
Command from the 4 October 1799 to the 5 November  
1800 when the Ship was lost —

Given under my hand  
This 6 November 1800

*Robt. Martin*

Captain



Nicolaus Martin



37 May 1801

THESE are to Certify, That the Bearer  
*Mich<sup>d</sup> Marten, Inm<sup>d</sup> late* belonging to His  
 Majesty's Ship *William* N<sup>o</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
 was sent to this Place upon the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day  
 of *April* 1801 for Cure of *W<sup>om</sup>m<sup>s</sup> request*  
 and *being cured*, was discharged hence this  
13<sup>th</sup> of *April* 1801 to go forthwith to

*Out of the Service*

He hath received in Cloaths  
 to the Value of \_\_\_\_\_  
 and in Conduct Money—

Witness my Hand, the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of *April*, 1801

By *W<sup>m</sup> Jones*

Appointed to take Care  
 of Sick and Hurt Sea-  
 men, at *Asstary*



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and in consequence thereof

Witness my Hand, the

By

*John...  
the Clerk*