

To the Kings' most Gracious Majesty,  
 The Petition of John Anderson, residing at Popsil, near  
 Glasgow, in Scotland

Humblly Sheweth,

That your Petitioner is upwards of seventy years of age, during fifty years of which, he has exercised the profession of a Falconer.

That on the coronation of your late Royal and lamented Brother, King George the Fourth, the Petitioner was employed by the Duke of Athol, as one of the Falconers, to assist at presenting the Hawks to His Majesty.

That in the Petitioners hearing, His Majesty desired the Duke of Athol, to cause the Birds to be taken care of, which His Grace accordingly instructed the Petitioner to attend to, promising, at same time, to reimburse the Petitioner for his trouble & relative expense.

In compliance therefore with His Majesty's orders & His Graces instructions, the Petitioner carried the Birds to Scotland, where he kept them at a great expense, for three years; and though he has frequently made a claim for their maintenance, which he modified to the moderate sum of Thirty nine Pounds, being a charge at the rate of five shillings per week, yet the Petitioner never received any thing, but the exact amount of his expense going to, & returning from London.

That on the occasion of His late Majestys visit to Scotland, the Petitioner was ordered by the Duke of Athol to proceed to Edinburgh with the Hawks, which he accordingly did, & there he remained a Week, on which occasion, he did not even receive the amount of his actual outlay, in travelling expenses to & from that City, or of his living there. - The Petitioner is therefore confident that his services have been overlooked, & that his frequent applications to His Grace for reimbursement must have miscarried; and he therefore makes the present application to Your Majesty.

Whom may it please, to order an enquiry into the circumstances of the case, and on discovery of the accuracy of what is before set forth, award to the Petitioner whatever allowance may be thought proper for his trouble & for the maintenance of the Birds. - And your Petitioner will ever pray.

John Anderson

The Subscribers have long known the Petitioner, - are aware that he went to London and Edinburgh on the occasions mentioned in the foregoing Petition, and have no doubt but his other Statements are correct.

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