

Sr Stauier Porten

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Sr Stauier Porten to the King

Sir Stauier Porten most humbly begs leave to acquaint Your Majesty that as soon as he was informed of the late Lord Rochford's Death, and of the Person to whom the Care of his Affairs was entrusted, he suggested to Mr<sup>r</sup> Johnson that he had very often heard the late Lord declare that he intended to direct that all the Notes he had been honored with from Your Majesty, should after his Death be returned to Your Majesty. As no mention thereof was made in his Will, it was with



some difficulty Mr Johnson was prevailed upon to relinquish them  
but at last acquiesced, upon receiving the most solemn assurances that they  
would be sent to Your Majesty. Sir Stanier desired Mr Higden to go to  
St Osyth to collect them together. he is just returned from thence with the  
three Packets sealed in his Presence, and they are now sent to Your  
Majesty in the same manner in which they were received.

St James's Place  
2<sup>o</sup> 1<sup>o</sup> November 2 o'clock A.M. 1701.