

York House St James's Bricklayers work done for  
 First Admeasurement -  
 His Royal Highness the Duke of York

J<sup>r</sup>. Rob<sup>t</sup>. Todd  
 17 David Street

Under the direction of Benj<sup>n</sup> and Philip Myatt Esq<sup>s</sup> Architects

Code	Description	Rate	Quantity	Value
618.232	Reduced brickwork all Materials as J <sup>r</sup> . Contract	16/9	10,180	2. 7 1/4
28 15	Reduced brickwork built with Compo as J <sup>r</sup> . Contract	24/10	603	3. 8 1/2
4 74	Reduced brickwork in arches of Vaults	16/10	70	9. 9 1/4
11 130	Reduced brickwork Labour Mortar Waste	10/6	60	10. 11
1 114	Reduced brickwork Labour Compo	20/6	14	13. 0 1/2
70 1/2	Sup <sup>r</sup> . brickflat nogging in Mortar all Materials	2/6	12	6. 9
8 1/2	Sup <sup>r</sup> . Stone Paving flat in Sand	2/9 1/2	1	3. 6 1/2
18	Sup <sup>r</sup> . D <sup>o</sup> . D <sup>o</sup> . on edge in Sand	4/1	3	13. 6
3 1/4	Sup <sup>r</sup> . Render in Cement inch thick	2/6	8	8. 1 1/2
71	Sup <sup>r</sup> . Pointing pointed outside all but Lutes & nails	22/10	18	9. 8 1/4
39 32	Sup <sup>r</sup> . Pointing laid dry D <sup>o</sup> . D <sup>o</sup> .	28/4	55	14. 0 3/4
80	Sup <sup>r</sup> . Pointing to Pointing only	4/2	3	4
83	Run plain tile Heading	3	1	9
48	Run Cement fillet	3	12	12
19 23	Sup <sup>r</sup> . Circular face to brickwork	3/6	6	2 1/4
46	Sup <sup>r</sup> . bedding to bandstones in Compo.	3/2	13	5
142.6	Sup <sup>r</sup> . Two course of plain tiles bedded in Cement and one Coat of Cement over D <sup>o</sup> each one Inch thick	4/1 1/2	49	10

Moving Sand Rubbish, taking down & clearing away Scaffolding, Digging & moving ground from sides of Footings, taking down walls, cleaning carrying away & Stacking old bricks, Digging holes Fixing Boundary poles, Screening and moving Rough Sand, Grouting Gravel for footings  
 Carried over £11078.15.4 3/4

Brought over £11078.15.4<sup>3/4</sup>

Tying up Frost Trees in the garden Levelling ground for Masons Sheds. Digging post holes and Rammery round D<sup>o</sup>. Assisting to get in Troughs Unmaking dam to Sewer. Clearing away Rub<sup>l</sup> and Baling out water from the foundations Marking flues. Setting Chimney pots on the Office Digging out for Head walls of Vaults. Fixing Stoves Brecknocking partitions in the Masons Sheds Taking down & Altering flues for Girders & Iron works in sundry places. Making good to D<sup>o</sup>. Carrying up Straw Covering up walls & uncovering D<sup>o</sup> to preserve the works from Frost, Building Chimney in the Carvers Shed Attending the gates & Watching as H<sup>o</sup>. Vauckers &c.

445 Days Bricklayer	2 5/6	122. 7. 6
198 1/2 Days Labourer	3/4	297. 5. 3
25 1/2 Days Gatekeeper	3/3	40. 17. 4 1/2
821 hods Mortar	6	20. 10. 6
23 hods Lime Chair	8 1/2	16. 3 1/2
53 hods Pargetting	8 1/2	1. 17. 6 1/2
65 Bushels Roman Cement	3 1/6	11. 7. 6
55 1/2 Bushels Dorking Lime	1/4	2. 15. 6
6 Bushels river Sand	1/4	2. 0. 0
1050 Grey Stocks	58 1/2	3. 10. 10 3/4
375 Plain tiles	50 1/2	18. 9
10 Pantiles	122 1/2	1. 2. 1/2
24 Wicker Baskets	1/10	2. 4. 0
2 Second size Chimney pots.	1/4	8. 0. 0
25 Scaffold boards	1/3	1. 11. 3
3 Load Straw	4 1/3	7. 1. 9
Paid to the Clerk of the Works	1	52. 12. 9
Expenses for Coals & Bundles &c.	1	25. 11. 3

£ <sup>d</sup> By 297,500 of Bricks	57 1/6	780. 18. 9	11,670. 14. 8 1/2
By 48 Loads Sand	6/1	12. 6. 0	
			1 793. 14. 9

Carried Forward - - £10876. 19. 11 1/2

11078.15.4 3/4

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Brought forward - 10,876.19.11 1/2

Deduct amount paid to Clerk of Works - 52.12.9

10,824.7.2 1/2

By P. Wyatt

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No. 1

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York House  
First Accountment.

By Robert Jones

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Balance £10,824..7..2½

Account £2,500..0..0

£8,324..7..2½

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York House St James's }  
 First Admeasurement } Carpenters and Joiners

Work done for His Royal Highness the Duke of  
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 Esqrs Architects -

By Woolcott and Browning

L. 2

27 Sqs 58ft	Continuing to Vault	30/1	41	6	9 1/2
1 Sqr 78ft	3/4" deal rough Boarding	34/1	2	16	11 1/2
179 Sqs 15ft	1/2" deal rough Boarding jointed	35/1	313	10	3
5 Sqs 42ft	1 1/4" deal rough Batten Floor jointed	56/1	15	4	10 1/2
214	2 Luke Oak Board - Linets &c	7/1	80	6	3
693	0 - Do above 9ft long & 9 1/2" square	8/1	277	4	
270	0 - Labr ally to old Oak	8/1	6	15	
249	7 - Oak pained	8/1	99	16	8
1	4 - Oak crop keys and chaming in Fir	9/6			12 8
	5 - Do Do and chaming in Oak	10/1			4 2
178	7 - Oak pained w <sup>th</sup> scankling	8/1	75	17	11 1/2
4896	1 - Fir in Board Plates - Linets &c	3/5	835	8	3 1/4
138	6 - Do spiked	3/7	24	16	3 1/2
1311	8 - Do pained	3/7	2349	3	5 1/2
8	1 - Do wrought and pained	4/1	1	12	4
	6 - Do Do and chamfered	4/3			2 1 1/2
1	6 - Do Do and chamfered 4 edges	5/1			7 6
6	9 Sqr 1/2" thick deal w <sup>th</sup> 2 sides	5/4			2 11 1/4
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331-5	Sup <sup>l</sup> 1 1/2 deal 1/2" tong' Hedges	7/4	10-0
25-7	3/4 deal rough	7/4	9-14
1202-0		5/2	29-7-1
24-5	Rough ledger shutters	7/4	14-2 1/2
48-6	moult. both sides	7/4	1-10-3 1/2
195-3	moult. both sides	7/4	7-6-5 1/2
381-2	8" pl <sup>o</sup> tong' ledger around	7/4	8-6-9
40-0	hick deal rough and Labor	7/4	1-1
30-2	D <sup>o</sup> edges shot	7/4	18-10 1/2
7-0	D <sup>o</sup> moult. 2 sides	7/4	4-8
12-4	D <sup>o</sup> rebated	7/4	8-8 1/2
1-11	D <sup>o</sup> framed	7/4	1-3 1/2
167-3	Rebated lining	7/4	5-14-11 1/2
34-8	Rough ledger door	7/4	1-10-4
16-2	Wry 1/2 D <sup>o</sup>	7/4	15-1 1/4
252-1	D <sup>o</sup> pl <sup>o</sup> 1/2" tong'	7/4	7-5-2 1/2
463-0	1/4 deal rough	7/4	21-6-3
465-0	Spotted hand jointed	7/4	7-2-5 1/2
155-5	D <sup>o</sup> and Runners	7/4	5-12-4 3/4
179-0	Mot: Tilted Tilted saddle back	7/4	2-17-5
55-3	1 1/2 deal rough and Labor	7/4	10-3 1/2
9-2	2 sides and tong' 1/4" 1/2"	7/4	20-14-5
574-5	not framed double chamfered	7/4	1-17-6 1/2
14-1	rough head hick Runners Strakes	7/4	2-4-8
22-4	not ash and Glass	7/4	
	old D <sup>o</sup>	7/4	

L4297-19-11 1/2

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5	Sup <sup>l</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> deal Ovalo sash frame glazed complete	7/4	4-0-5 1/2
	old D <sup>o</sup>	7/4	3-12-2 1/2
	2 1/2" deal rough and framed	7/4	10-2-9 1/2
	mot. 2 sides + D <sup>o</sup>	7/4	8-0 1/2
	centring to Apertures and Runners	7/4	62-13-6
	Paper Laths complete	7/4	5-9-2
	1/2 hick cedar mot. 2 sides	7/4	1-12-4
	Laba to saddle Backing to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Standards	7/4	1-2-2 1/2
	Saw Sinking in Oak	7/4	6-1 1/2
	Oak Oak Truss and double Gromm 5 1/4"	7/4	11-5-9
	3/4 Oak Slip 2 1/2" wide filled into chuses	7/4	4
	Deal rough Tilted	7/4	4-13-11
	Particle Laths nailed complete	7/4	22-8-5 1/2
	Tilted Tilted	7/4	18-7-3 1/2
	hick Tilted 2 1/2" wide	7/4	5-0-8 1/2
	moulted Tilted	7/4	2-8 1/2
	D <sup>o</sup> 2 1/2" wide	7/4	2-6
	Chamfered Tilted 1-1/4"	7/4	2-1 1/2
	Rebated Runner	7/4	!
	Chamfered Runners Black Staves	7/4	6-2 1/2
	centring to Deck 4x4	7/4	19-3 1/2
	Deal mot and framed 1/2" 1/2"	7/4	2-4
	D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> 1/2" x 2"	7/4	2-7 1/2
	Rounded Rob for Lead out of Seal	7/4	17
	2 x 1/2"	7/4	

L4455-17-9 1/2

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Brought forward £467 4. 5 1/2  
 No 29 Post Holes dug and rammed 1/1 1-9  
 4 large do 1/6 6  
 5 double Scarfings to the beams 2/1 6. 12 0  
 2 ends of Guides fitted to Cast Iron Truss 1/1 10  
 9 Ends of Binders repaired 1/1 9  
 4 wrought and rounded Ends to Oak Labels 1/1 10  
 4 alterations to Truss 2 day each 1/1 2 4  
 4 cuttings 1/1 1 4  
 1 Bell Crane fixed 1 1-5

Ironmongery  
 No 12-1/2 in long stop Crown Handles 1/1 12  
 6 Brass Side Locks 1/1 1-15  
 3 Padlocks Hasps and Staples 1/1 6  
 3 6 inch Hook Locks 1/1 13-6  
 1 10 inch do 1/1 6  
 1 Superior Tumbler Padlock Hasp and Staple 1/1 7  
 4 Brass Tumb Lockets 1/6 5  
 1 Brass Hinging Desk Lock 1/1 6  
 1-4 inch Hook Bolt 1/1 8  
 1-9 inch rough Bolt 1/1 1-10  
 1 Pair 1/2 Inch Brackets 1/1 2  
 1 Pair 2 inch Iron Brackets 3 P. 1/4 x 1/2 inch } 17 10  
 2 Pair 10 inch do 1/1 18 in do }

£469 2. 2 1/4  
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Brought forward

No 1 pair 30 inch cross Gannets  
 2 pair 20 inch  
 2 pair 31 inch  
 3/4 dozen 2 inch  
 32 5 inch spikes and driving in Calk

Labon  
 No 50 Cais and Queen Bolts to Girders  
 58 Abatement Bolts to Girders  
 307 steel Bolts  
 6 Do 1-2 line  
 4 Clackmunt Bolts 12 lbs in Calk  
 4 Bolt and bearing in Calk 1 1/2  
 12 screw Bolts and bearing 12 lbs in Calk  
 4 1/2 inch Bolt and bearing in Calk  
 16 Do 1 1/2 inch Bolt  
 12 Do 1 1/2 inch Bolt  
 4 Do 2 1/2 inch Bolt  
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 8 Do 2 1/2 inch Bolt  
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Brought forward £ 4740. 3-5

Labon

16 1/2 Stirrup Ties and Wedges	16/1	18
8 Do 2ft 4 high	7/6	1
8 Do 2ft 6 high	3/1	1
42 Do 2ft 9 high	4/1	8-8
8 Do 3ft 7 high with 2 sets Mantles	7/1	2-16
4 Do 11ft high	11/1	2
4 Do 12ft 3 high	11/1	2-4
4 Do 3ft 9 high	5/1	1
4 Do 3ft 10 high	5/1	1
16 Do 2ft 5 high with screw Pins and Cros Plates over Tie beams	7/1	1-12
4 trusted Stirrup Ties to Corn of Hankon	3/1	12
4 strong Stirrup Ties 3ft high in Calk	4/1	15
8 large Stirrup Ties 3ft high and bearing across Girders	7/8	2-16-0
24 screw Straps to Binders and bearing in Tie 14 inches	7/8	1-16-0
38 1/2 end caulked 3/4 log Nails and 14 inch bearing	7/1	7-16
4 Abatement Stirrup Ties 3ft high	5/1	1
4 Do 5ft 9 high with double Mantles and Wedges	7/1	1-10
108 whole Stirrup Ties to 10 inch Girders and screwed top sides	7/8	13-10
6 Do Girders 1 1/2 by 1 1/2	3/1	18

Total £ 4792-19-5

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 Brought forward - £4859-19-1  
 10-1 Labor and nails to high deal Boarding 2 4 3 6  
 taken down and refixed 5/8  
 10-2 20 ft. Old fence D<sup>o</sup> D<sup>o</sup> 6/1 2 13 6 1/2  
 10-3 20 ft. Old gate taken down and refixed 1/1 18 9  
 10-4 2 Casks tin taken down refixed and refixed 7/1 5 15 9  
 10-5 14-9 Oak D<sup>o</sup> D<sup>o</sup> 9/1 11 0 3/4  
 10-6 20 ft. Labor and nails to Old Boarding 4/1 13 8 1/2  
 10-7 6 Casks Labor only to Tin Lintel 4/1 7 10  
 10-8 19-3 D<sup>o</sup> D<sup>o</sup> framed 7/1 9 7 1/2  
 10-9 20 ft. 58 ft. Labor use and waste to high deal rough  
 Boarding edges shot 15/8 1 18 8 1/2  
 10-10 32 8 Casks Tin Plates D<sup>o</sup> 4/1 2 3 6 1/2  
 10-11 231 7 D<sup>o</sup> framed 11/1 17 7 4 1/2  
 10-12 891 0 Ship 1/2 Deal rough use and waste 1/4 4 12 9 1/2  
 Not for Metall - Rosewood Level Stob  
 1 D<sup>o</sup> Square - 1 Point Rule & Bob for laying  
 Foundation Stone 2 5 0  
 1 Minors Helder and Misted Remains  
 Bottom to Marble Slab. Screws &c 15  
 2 Large framed Squares for setting out Keelings 1 5  
 1 Deal framed Square Oak set Square 1 7  
 6 Models of Rotation 1 16 18  
 4 10 ft 1-15 ft 1-20 ft Rods & Printing  
 Figuring &c 1-12 ft D<sup>o</sup> 15  
 £4933-18-1 1/2

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Day Account  
 March 25<sup>th</sup> 1835  
 Taking down and repairing House - Repairing &  
 being Platform, Gangway to the Landing the  
 Foundation Stone - Taking up Stairs  
 and repairing Chimney - Making beds  
 for all persons - Moving up Bank - Making  
 Sinks for conveying Water into Kitchen  
 and up to Stables - Making beds for  
 Cast Iron Grates and Sinks  
 for Grates in Plate Room and Kitchen  
 Collecting stuff used in common  
 Putting on fastenings to Gates - Making beds  
 for Cast Iron Sinks - Making beds  
 Moving up Grates and Sinks in Plate Room  
 Making beds for Iron Sinks  
 April 1<sup>st</sup>  
 43 3/4 days Carpenter & Joiner  
 53 3/4 days Labourer  
 5-5 kubu Oak  
 155-10 do  
 3081-3 1/2 1/4 deal  
 1582-5 1/2 deal  
 271-4 1/2 deal  
 5/6 119-2-10 1/2  
 7/1 9-8-1 1/2  
 3/1 1-17-11  
 5/4 23-10-6  
 3/4 41-14-6  
 15 26-5-9  
 5-12-7 1/2  
 5751-10-10  
 27-11

Brought forward L 5761-10-10  
 56-0 Sup 1/2 deal ----- C 1 1-0-0  
 134-0 2 h D ----- 7 1/2 4-6-6 1/2  
 60-0 2 1/2 h D ----- C 1 2-7-6  
 10-0 3 h D ----- C 1 9-2  
 40-0 4 h Plank ----- 1/2 2-10  
 11-6 1/2 h Wainscot ----- C 1 7-2 1/4  
 31-0 3/4 h D ----- 10 1/4 1-7-9 1/4  
 100 3/4 3/4 h 10 ft deal ----- 1/2 5-16-4 1/2  
 44-0 2 h D ----- 3/2 4-19-  
 14 1/2 1 1/4 h D ----- 3/1 2-3-6  
 5-0 2 h D ----- 4 1/2 1-7-6  
 80-0 2 1/2 h D ----- 5 1/2 22-13-4  
 13 1/4 3 h D ----- 4 1/2 4-11-8  
 98-6 Cuts, Piles and Waste ----- 1/2 4-10-6  
 440-0 Sup 1/2 h deal use and waste ----- C 1 2-5-10  
 445-0 1 1/2 h D ----- C 1 3-14-2  
 753-0 4 h Plank ----- 15 15-13-9  
 378-0 Sawing in old stuff ----- 2 1/2 1-11-2  
 80-0 Run D ----- 4 1/2 6-8  
 No. 42 cuts in 20 ft old Plank ----- 1/2 2-12-6  
 3 lbs Glue ----- 1/2 3-9  
 6 Sheets Sand Paper ----- C 1 9  
 2 Sheets Plate Iron ----- 1/2 1-4  
 10 Tiles for heating Iron Molds ----- 1/2 10  
 5240-19-5 1/2

*Brought forward*

40 + New Saddles  
 + Saddle and Staps to S  
 1 Pair large Hook and Eye Knives to Gale  
 1 Pair large Hook and Eye Knives to Gale  
 1-00 hick Stick Lock  
 1 Captain Lock  
 75-5 hick Spikes  
 274-6 hick Spikes  
 50-7 hick Spikes  
 50-3-6 1/2 E 8-59 E 16-36 E 20  
 2 E 4-9 1/2 E 4 nails  
 110 3/4 lbs. Shot and Lead  
 20 lbs. Chamber Blom  
 45 1/2 lbs. of the same  
 30 lbs. of the same  
 45 3/4 Days hire of Horses  
 Paid Clerk of the Works and Seaman Boy  
 to the 25 March 1826 - as per order  
 Paid for sundries

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*Brought forward* — £10927. 0-6

*Credit* By Cash deliv<sup>d</sup>. from His Majesty's Dock Yard.

5 Cube Oak ————— 7/24 12-11  
 7 — Do Tho. Hankley ————— 7/16 66-19-4 1/2  
 ————— 191-12-3 1/2

£10935. 8-2 1/2

deduct amount paid to clerk of Works and errand Boy — 90-4-9  
 = 5/45-3-5 1/2

B. & N. Wiggall

Paris House  
Print Advertisement.

Printers and printers Work  
done

By Woodcock & Berriman

£5/10/3 5/2

Balance in  
Account £20000.0.0

£21445.3.5 1/2





York House  
First Admeasurement

Masons Work done  
By Philip Sawell

£9,704.10.6 1/4

Paid on  
Account £4000.0.0

£5704.10.6 1/4

St. James's  
Masons Work done for  
Admeasurement

His Royal Highness the Duke of York

By Philip Sawell

of Benjamin and Philip Wyatt Esqrs Architects

Stone set in work 3/4 3842.10.3/4

work 8 1674.7.1/4

Plain work 20 29.15.10

4,930.10 sunk work 10 215.14.5/4

3,658.1 Molded work 1/3 228.12.7/4

31.6 Circular Molded work 1/4 2.2.0

1,632.6 Arch joints 8 54.8.4

4,163.4 Sawing and half plain 6 104.1.8

5,236.2 Four sunk rustic 3 65.9.0 1/2

1,021.0 2<sup>nd</sup> sunk chamfer 2 8.10.2

324.2 Throat 1 1.7.0

322.0 drawer joint to window heads 1 1.6.10

851.0 Cube Bath Stone, bonds and labor 3/9 159.11.3

1,796.7 rough core walling bedded and grouted 3/10 209.9.9

1,128.9 extra scaffolding only to window heads, cills &c 5 28.4.1/2

No 318 Pair Pluggs lead, and labor 6 7.19.0

8808 Lead dovetailed frames 10 367.0.0

986 ditto 7<sup>th</sup> long 1/2 57.10.4

24 Profile carvings to Impes, 2 Pateras

and 1 leaf huck on each 10/6 12.0.0

Carried forward £14130.0.0 1/2

York House, St. James's } Masons Work done for  
First Admeasurement

His Royal Highness the Duke of York  
By Philip Rowell.

(Under the direction of Benj<sup>r</sup> and Philip Wyatt Esq<sup>r</sup> Architects.)

Feet. in			
23,055.1	Cube Bath Stone net in work	3/4	3842.10.3/4
50,230.8	Sup <sup>r</sup> Plain work	2/8	1674.7.1/4
697.7	" Circular Plain work	20/4	29.15.10
4,930.10	" Sunk work	20/4	215.14.5/4
3,058.1	" Molded work	1/3	228.12.7/4
31.0	" Circular Molded work	1/4	2.2.0
1,032.0	" Arch joints	2/8	54.8.4
4,163.4	" Sawing and half plain	2/6	104.1.8
5,236.2	Open sunk rustic	3/1	65.9.02
1,021.0	" 2 <sup>nd</sup> sunk chamfer	2/2	8.10.2
324.2	" Throat	2/1	1.7.0
322.0	" drawn joint to window heads	2/1	1.6.10
851.0	Cube Bath Stone, bands and labor	3/9	159.11.3
1,796.7	" rough core walling bedded and grouted	3/0	269.9.9
1,128.9	" Extra Scantling only to window heads, cills &c	2/6	28.4.42
	N <sup>o</sup> 318 Pair Pluggs lead, and labor	2/6	7.19.0
	" 8808 Lead dovetailed frames	2/0	367.0.0
	986 ditto - 7 <sup>th</sup> long	1/2	57.10.4
	214 Profile carvings to Trusses, 2 Pateras and 1 - 4 leaf huck on each	10/6	12.0.0
	Carried forward		14130.0.02

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Feet in

Brought forward - 7130. 0. 0 1/2

N<sup>o</sup> 10 Corinthian carvings to Caps of Pilasters 100. 0. 0

" 10 Angular ditto 150. 0. 0

" 2 Angular ditto to North Front, returning

1 3/4" and 1 1/2" 32. 0. 0

" 2 caps to South Front returning 9" and 4 1/2" 20. 0. 0

" 2 ditto to West Front, returning 1 3/4" and 1 1/2" 20. 0. 0

424. 7 Cube Portland Stone 70. 1. 5

220. 3 " ditto in templates, bases &c and labor 144. 1. 0

727. 7 Sup<sup>r</sup> Plain work 45. 9. 5 3/4

147. 5 " Ditto rough tooled 7. 7. 5

44. 8 " Circular Plain work 2. 10. 0 1/2

143. 7 " Sunk work 8. 19. 5 3/4

2. 11 " Circular Sunk 3. 10 1/2

14. 5 " Molded work 1. 1. 0 1/4

10 " Circular ditto 1. 3

110. 6 " Arch joint 6. 18. 1 1/2

70. 0 " Sawing and half Plain 2. 12. 6

N<sup>o</sup> 4 lead dovetailed Groupp 14. 0

505. 10 Sup<sup>r</sup> 7" Yorkshire Landing in walls 10. 1. 3. 4

838. 5 " 6" ditto as ditto 145. 14. 5 1/2

901. 1 " 5" ditto as ditto 142. 13. 5

193. 5 " 4" ditto as ditto 27. 8. 0

6472. 5 " 4" and 5" Landing in Foundation 970. 17. 3

2,695. 10 " 3" Yorkshire Pavé in Walls &c 134. 15. 10

1,680. 10 " 2 1/2" ditto as ditto 70. 0. 8 1/2

2,178. 6 " Yorkshire Covering to Glues, Squared and set 90. 15. 5

1,742. 0 " Ditto squared Day Work 72. 11. 8

Carried forward - 9416. 19. 2 1/2

Feet in	Brought forward -	9416.19.22
49.0	Sup <sup>l</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Yorkshire covering to Glass squared and Set	101 2.9.0
8.10	Plain work	91 0.7.2
11.10	Sunk work	101 9.10.4
50.4	Down sunk Edge to 3 <sup>rd</sup> frame	31 12.7
4590.0	Cube extra hoisting above 100 feet	141 76.12.2
1,695.8	" Ditto as ditto above 50 feet	61 42.7.10

Day Work

Cutting out and sinking holes in foundation Stone for inscriptions plates &c. preparing for and assisting to lay ditto, taking up and resetting York Landings, and levelling for ditto in parts of foundation, cutting out for and letting in Iron cramps, cutting small Yorkshire Stone to cover parts of Glass, cutting out and altering Bath Stone piers and plinth under North Portico and running ditto with lead, letting in Irons to secure ends of Cantalivers, cutting holes for Iron Pilasters, cutting away for Smiths in various parts, cutting grooves in stone to let in ends of Iron Girders, and for Iron Cradles in Entrance Hall &c cutting grooves in Portland Blocks for Iron Work in Staircase, altering architraves and resetting ditto in South Front &c &c

No. 302 days Mason	511	76.15.2
" 2214 days Labourer	321	35.9.4
4.0 Sup <sup>l</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> Bath Stone	181	0.8
No. 196 Loads Mortar	271	5.14.4
brought forward		L 9058.2.9

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Brought forward £9658.2.9<sup>4</sup>

No 3 Hoops fine stuff ————— 1/6 — 3.0

.. 10 1/2 Bushels Roman Cement ————— 3/6 1.11.0

.. 2 1/2 lbs Lead for Iron Work ————— 3 2.13.0

Waxe, Comps, Plaster &c for the Foundation

Stone ————— 1.7.0

7.0 Sup<sup>2</sup> Inch Vein Marble for Mortar Slab — 8/6 3.3.9

45 lbs Candles ————— 2/9 2.16.3

Paid for Iron Cramps as Per Voucher — 1.11.0

To Coins purchased and deposited in the foundation

Stone. Money paid to the Workmen and for

Refreshments to Men working over-time

and sundry expences incurred on the laying

of the first Stone. by order of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Benj<sup>r</sup>

and Philip Wyatt ————— 31.1.3

Wages Paid to the Assistant Clerk of Works — 46.16.0

£9718.0.6<sup>1</sup>


Subduct Amount Paid to the Clerk }  
of Works — } — 46.16.0

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B. & P. Wyatt

First Admeast No. 4

last date Mar 20 1826

His Royal Highness the Duke of York  
  
 B<sup>o</sup>. of J. Bramah & Sons.  
 PATENT-ENGINE, LOCK, WATER CLOSET & PRESS  
 Manufacturers  
 West end of Piccadilly, & Duncannon.  
 also Iron Chests Portable Desks, Boxes, &c. Sold for Ready Money only.

1825	By order of Benj <sup>d</sup> . Philip Wyatt Esq <sup>r</sup>		
Aug <sup>r</sup> 11	Wrought Iron Chimney bars	11 1 2 1/2	2 10 8
Sept. 10	Cast Iron joists for plate Room in- cluding patterns & delivery at the Building as per Agreement.	118 3 5 1/2	118 3 8 1/2
20	Cast Iron joist	11 3 0	11 12 1
	do Cradle for Window openings	114 0 4	13 17 2
22	do do	114 1 10	14 3 2
	do do joists 10 ft	117 2 4	116 18 9 1/2
	do do do 12 ft	119 1 26	9 7 3
	do do do	11 3 2	11 12 5
24	do do do 10 ft	123 1 4	22 19 10
2	do do do 12 ft	118 3 12	18 12 5
26	do Cradle	112 1 0	12 1 11
	Cartage of long joists from York House proving strength of the same & Cartage back to the Building		10 10 0
27	Cast Iron joists	115 2 16 1/2	145 3 2 1/2
28	do do	112 0 0	11 17 0
29	do do	123 2 24	23 8 4 1/2
Oct. 11	do Truss pieces for Girders	116 2 8 1/2	19 17 8 1/2
	do Crown do do	111 3 24	17 19 1 1/2
	do Rings cored for bolts	1 2 22	16 8
	do Abutments do	1 1 16	9 5
5	do Truss	112 0 8	14 17 8 1/2
1	do do	113 3 12	14 14 8 1/2
14	do Crown pieces	110 1 14	12 9 0
6	do Abutments	11 3 7	2 3 6
7	do Rings	112 2 1	3 0 2
1	do Truss	114 0 0	14 16 0
	Carried forward		1374 2 0







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1907	Bro. forward	123.55	3 3/2
24	12 Wro. wedges for the ends of Girders	1.96	18 6
3	2 do. Chimney bars	1.25	17 0
17	Repairing large wrench, iron added	8	7 6
10	2 pieces of Wro. Tie bar for long Girders	0.20 7/8	7 12 6
11	6 carriage pieces to small cradle (cast)	1.25 7/8	9 4
15	2 Wro. iron abutment straps screw'd at each end	22 7/8	16 6
15	4 Wro. Tie bars for 40 ft Girders	0.12 7/8	3 17 6
12	do. wedges	1.60	17 0
1	1 do. large dog wails for strap ties	11 9/8	10 6
30	set of castings for small angle cradles	1.22 7/8	10 6 3/4
3	Wro. Tie bars & plates for 40 ft Girders	0.3 7/8	13 4 1/2
7	do. plates for flatness	9 1/8	4 6
14	Strap ties for Girders	1.14 1/8	1 11 6
2	large cast iron columns with bases filled with 4" square threaded screws brackets	65.3.5 7/8	98 13 10
2	carriage pieces to Angle Cradle	1.27 7/8	9 8
4	Wro. bolts & nuts for 40 ft Girders	26 7/8	16 3
5	do. do. do. do.	1.40	1 3 9
2	Chimney bars	11.0.22 1/8	2 4 8
	Altering 5 strap ties & securing the ends brackets	6	10 6
2	7 Wro. iron Chimney bars	12.2.9 1/8	4 16 4
1	Cast Angle Cradle ribs	26.2.12 7/8	26 10 5
1	Slab for do.	1.7.1.5 7/8	4 10 9
1	Top Slab for large Cradle	1.5.0.6.1	5 6 1/2
7	do. do.	14.3.9.15	11 5 1/2
5	Strap pieces	4.3.2 7/8	11 3 1/2
2	Carriage do.	10.2.20.12	17 4
1	pieces for Angle Cradles	1.1.3 7/8	1 5 2
	Altering 2 straggling ribs for 40 ft Girders	1	10 6
X	Smoothing 2 Augers	2	
3	1 Cast rib to Angle Cradle	7.1.0 7/8	7 3 2
1	Slabs to do.	1.8.2.16 7/8	9 1 6
1	Angle Cradle rib	5.3.0 7/8	5 13 7
	Altering 4 large straggling ribs	1	10 6
16	Wro. wedges to Angle Cradles	5.0.7	2 6
25	do. pins for securing wedges in straggling ribs	3.1	1 6
	Carried forward	12599	6 4





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 Jan. 11 100  
 12 A picter  
 4 Cast plates for tops of columns  
 4 wro staple ties with gibs and  
 wedges for roof  
 14 2 Cast plates for tops of columns  
 5 do for bottom of do of large cradles  
 7 nuts for do  
 8 1/2 screw d bolts nuts washers for  
 8 plates for do  
 14 wro staple ties for large cradles  
 2 large adjusting screws with square  
 threads for columns under cradles  
 4 Cast plates for columns  
 2 do for large cradles  
 3 do cradle pieces  
 3 set of iron bars for do with gibs &  
 wedges fixed to Castings  
 2 Cast iron columns for cradles  
 15 2 set of wro. stirrup for corridor  
 and wedges for large ties with gibs &  
 17 8 Cast plates for tops of large cradles  
 2 Blocks for columns for cradles  
 1 1/2" dia Cast iron bush  
 2 Cast plates for cradles  
 8 pieces of wro. tie bars for top of cradles  
 and gibs for do  
 Altering to 4 1/2" bolts pre-screwing  
 18 4 small for roof  
 Wedges & gibs for staple of large cradles  
 a 1 1/2" cast iron bush  
 a 1 1/2" cast iron bush  
 a Cast cradle for top of column

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 3 Cast iron cradles for columns 125-0-12 24/11 24 15 10  
 a 12" Cast Joist 19-2-14 11 9 10 1  
 4 Cast sockets for crop or adles 3-7 2/11 17 1  
 4 blocks for feet of columns under 1-0-23 2/11 1 15 2  
 10 pieces of wro. tie bar for top of  
 columns & 20 1/2 bolts for do 18-0-12 3/11 22 14  
 2 wro transverse ties filled with  
 socket joints, gibs & wedges 13-0-22 3/11 11 18 8  
 20 10 pieces of wro. tie bar for top of  
 columns & bolts & nuts for do 8-0-1 3/11 22 8 6  
 6 parts of the transverse ties as before 9-2-25 3/11 36 1  
 50 small wedges 17 3/11 12 9  
 6 extra do for bevell'd staple ties 1-7 3/11 17 6  
 1 Cast iron column 35-0-10 2/11 38 12 9  
 2 Pelasters 32-0-12 1/11 35 5 4  
 2 1 1/2" dia Cast Joist 18-3-4 2/11 12 11  
 2 plates for under side of cradles 1-7-22 2/11 7 10 4 1/2  
 Altering 4 1/2" bolts by lengthening  
 and re-screwing 1 1/2 11 5  
 24 5 Staple ties, gibs & wedges 3-4-24 3/11 26 12 6  
 2 Cast cantilevers for Cradles 120-2-10 2/11 31 19 3  
 1 Cradle for top of column 18-1-7 2/11 8 4 2  
 8 wro. tie bands filled with nut and  
 screws for bases of columns 1-3-19 3/11 8 1 3  
 25 4 Cast blocks for foot of column 1-3-14 2/11 2 15 3  
 1 plate for top of corridor 13-2-25 2/11 41 2 1  
 Repairing Lock of Office door 1  
 4 bevell'd staple ties, gibs & wedges 15-2-9 3/11 10 0 6  
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 Lead 12-0-0 2/11 2 17 0  
 20 2 wro double crop ties with gibs & wedges  
 & screw d bolts nuts 13-1-14 2/11 14 3 6  
 2 do do 3-0-20 1/11 13 7  
 Altering 2 Chimney bars 1 3  
 2 Staple ties with gibs & wedges 2-13 3/11 1 14 6  
 2 do do 2-10 1/11 1 13  
 28 2 Cast Cantilevers 120-3-24 2/11 32 7 1/2  
 1 Cradle 18-1-18 2/11 8 5 1  
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1	Cast cradle for top of columns	8.2.0	24	12
2	Staple ties gibs & wedges for roof	13.0	25	5
3	A wtd Chimney bar	10.3.5	8	19
4	Lead	1.1	2	1
5	2 Sacks of Coals	0.0	17	5
6	1 Chimney Bar	1.3	2	1
7	Repairing a boat for Quantlevers	1.0	11	6
8	Repairing a boat for Quantlevers	1.0	11	6
9	1 Staple Tie gibs & wedges for roof	0.11	6	3
10	4 bands for Cast bars with screws	2.2	34	3
11	1 Cast Column	31.2	20	24
12	1 Cast Column	31.2	20	24
13	1 Cast Column	31.2	20	24
14	1 Cast Column	31.2	20	24
15	1 Cast Column	31.2	20	24
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1	Ring bolts with nuts & plates	7.22	21	17	1							
2	Wtd bands for roof	7.1	25	8	18	5						
3	A Cast iron truss	22	1	14	4	20	17					
4	A tie bar for do as before	2	1	0	7	8	1	3				
5	A Cast iron truss	20	1	2	4	24	5	5				
6	A tie bar for do as before	2	0	12	7	7	7	5				
7	4 wtd tie bars, drill'd & fixed to truss	1	8	7	1	7	1	7				
8	8 wtd bands	1	1	22	5	4	1	1				
9	10 Staple ties, gibs & wedges	10	3	8	1	19	2	2				
10	altering do radding iron truss	3	5	10	2	4	5	5				
11	24 Small Wedges							1				
12	2 wtd transverse ties, fitted with socket joints, gibs & wedges do	4	2	23	3	17	11	4				
13	A Cast iron truss	19	1	14	7	23	5	5				
14	A tie bar for do as before	1	2	0	9	7	5	7 1/2				
15	A Cast iron truss	22	1	10	4	20	17	17				
16	A wtd tie bolt for do as before	2	0	22	7	7	13	9				
17	Lead	2	10	2	1	15	9 1/2	15 1/2				
18	A abutment ties, & screw bolts & nuts	1	1	2	3	11	4	10				
19	Wtd staple ties gibs & wedges	14	2	0	11	12	12	12				
20	do bands for roof	2	1	14	1	5	13	13				
21	do staple ties as before	3	0	1	1	8	8	5				
22	Cast truss for girder	19	1	3	2	123	2	7 1/2				
23	wtd tie bolt for do as before	1	1	2	11	7	5	11	10 1/2			
24	A stirrup screw tie to staple	2	1	8	1	8	6	6				
25	Cast iron truss as before	19	1	0	4	123	2	2				
26	wtd tie bolt for do	1	1	2	11	7	5	14	3			
27	Milled Lead	1	2	3	7	1	2	8	1			
28	6 wtd plates for stirrup ties	1	2	5	3	1	10	5	5			
29	A screw stirrup tie for truss girder	2	0	1	1	8	8	8				
30	2 new washers & repairing nuts for stirrup ties do							3	5			
31	8 Cast blocks for ends of trusses	18	1	22	4	3	12	4 1/2	4 1/2			
32	A cast rib for cradle of dining room	44	3	0	3	1	44	3	10			
33	wtd tie bolt for do	3	0	10	7	10	10	3	3			
34	A cast truss	23	1	7	4	1	27	19	6			
35	wtd tie bolt for do as before	1	2	1	11	7	8	4	4 1/2			
36	A cast rib for cradle as before	44	3	0	3	1	44	3	10			
37	wtd tie bolt for do	3	0	10	7	10	10	3	3			
38	A set of gibs & wedges	1	6	3	1	4	5	5	5			
39	2 Cast angle cradle ribs	11	2	4	7	11	7	10	10			
40	Carri <sup>o</sup> fiv <sup>o</sup>							20	6	5	12	7

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 9 Cast Socket 9 2 17 1/4 11 11 7 1/2  
 10 1" Screw? bolts & nuts 3 7 3/4 3 8 3  
 Repairing a wrot iron band 1 21 0 14 1/4 25 7 -  
 10 a Cast truss for girder 1 21 0 11 7/8 7 5 10 1/2  
 Tie bar for do as before 2 0 11 7/8 7 5 10 1/2  
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 Repairing new Staple ties 2 bolts for 1 13 0 0 1/4 13 12  
 11 Sockets in Cast iron 1 13 0 0 1/4 13 12  
 Altering 4 Stump ties 1 12 -  
 2 Bolt for do 3 1 13 1/4 4 1 10  
 13 Cast Sockets 2 13 1/4 1 3 8  
 4 Chimney Bars 2 13 1/4 1 3 8  
 Altering a Stump tie & plate 1 23 2 0 1/4 23 4 -  
 14 a Cast truss Tie bolt taken from one broken 2 24 1/4 1 5 8  
 Chimney Bars 2 24 1/4 1 5 8  
 2 wrot iron cranked band ties for temporary staircase 2 10 3/4 2 9 6  
 Drilling 15 Wedges & 10 pins for do for transverse ties 5 5  
 Altering 4 angle ties 12 bolts 1 9 5  
 15 Staple ties with gibs & wedges 3 25 3/4 2 14 5  
 Altering 6 9 Staple 1 angle tie 3 bolts 1 18 -  
 17 6 Stump ties with screw? bolts & nuts 3 27 3/4 5 11 5  
 Chimney Bars 2 25 1/4 1 7  
 7 level'd headed bolts with nuts & plates 2 0 9 1/4 2 0 0  
 3 screw? Stump ties with plates & bolts 1 15 3/4 1 1 5  
 2 ties for cantilevers for temporary staircase 1 2 12 3/4 2 11  
 a Cast truss for Lantern top 17 3 0 1/4 21 5  
 Tie bolt for do as before 1 2 2 7/8 5 5 3  
 Shortening 8 Bolts 1 12  
 18 a Cast iron truss 17 2 10 1/4 21 2 1/2  
 Tie bolt for do as before 1 2 4 7/8 5 7 5  
 Altering 4 Stump ties }  
 5 angle ties & 5 bolts } 1 17 5  
 2 drift pins 0 1 5  
 Carr<sup>o</sup> 12055 27 3 5 15 8



1825  
 Mar 21 Altering 7 bolts for roof  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  1  
 Milled Lead 27 3 5  
 No screwing 2 bolts taking complete 1 19 1/2  
 22 2 wrot. plates 10" x 7" 9 1  
 23 Lengthening 5 bolts for roof 1 5 1/2  
 Milled Lead 12 6 1/2  
 Altering 5 angle ties & bolts 12 6 1/2  
 Milled Lead 12 6 1/2  
 Labour use of tools black filling 10 0  
 and fixing iron work on principal floor 14 0  
 24 Do on 2nd floor 14 0  
 Labour use of tools black filling down 1 27 1/2  
 Cradle cast-iron pillars repairing 5 1  
 ceiling of end of porch for corridor 14 3  
 Amount of wages paid to the men who 7 0  
 were disabled by accidents 3 9  
 Labour running lead in passage the several 27 15  
 cradles cast-iron columns to the mountain 1 15 8  
 Amount due to the Mountain 302 4 7  
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 H. P. W. G. A. 1825

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York House  
First Advancement

Smiths and Founders

Work done

By J. Bramah and Sons

£6,679.17.2

Balance in  
Account } 3000.0.0

£9,679.17.2

378

No 5.

York House  
 First Admeasurement  
 Smiths and Founders  
 Work done  
 By Moser and Co  
 £1445. 18. 11  
 Paid on account } -300. 0. 0  
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of the Duke of York  
 to  
 Bo. of Moser & Co.  
 late Jackson & Moser.  
 FOUNDER, SMITHS, STOVE GRATE MAKERS.  
 AND  
 Furnishing Ironmongers,  
 No 51. Frith Street Loho. London.

Benjamin Wyatt Esq

		Cwt	Qrs	lbs	
1	1 Wall mounted wall spring and Iron Cage & fixings				6 16
2	To 2 long wrought Iron Chimney Bars <span style="float: right;">Cwt 90 to 100</span>	2	1	20	3 2 18 4 16 8
	To 7 shorter do	1	0	26	
13	To 2 large Iron Hoops with Caulkings for fixing into Wall for flues of Smoke Sacks		1	5 9	1 1 4 9
20	To 4 large Wrought Iron Ties made to drawing for Braces over Venetian Windows in centre of East Front	1	2	0	
	To 4 ditto	1	3	12	3 1 12 6 9 8
7	To 12 Screw Bolts with square heads nuts & collar plates for fixing the above	3	6 2 9		13 7 10 2
	To 2 large Bearing Bars for Smoke Sacks	1	2 6		1 14 3
	To Man's time attending the fixing of Bearing Bars & Flues of Smoke Sacks 2 days			1	12
	To 2 large King Bolts with plates & nuts	1	1		3 5 5
	To 2 large Queen Bolts with plates & nuts	1	1		5 5
	Lower forward				£39 9 6 1/2

His Royal Highness the Duke of York



Bo. of Moser & Co. late Jackson & Moser.

IRON FOUNDERS, SMITHS, STOVE GRATE MAKERS, AND

Furnishing Ironmongers.

N. 51. Frith Street Soho. London.

Order of Benjamin Wyatt Esq

1825

		Cwt	Qrs	Lbs	
August 1	To a large Call Bell mounted with strong scroll spring and carriage & large Iron Case & fixins				6 16
5	To 2 long wrought Iron Chimney Bars	2.1.20	3	2 18 4	6 16 8
	To 7 shorter do	1.0.26			
13	To 2 large Iron Hoops with Couplings for fixing into Wall for flues of Smoke Sucks		1	5 9 1	1 4 9
20	To 4 large Wrought Iron Ties made to drawing for Braces over Venetian Windows in centre of East Front	1.2.0			
	To 4 ditto	1.3.12	3	1 12 6	9 8
	To 12 Screw Bolts with square heads nuts & collar plates for fixing the above		3	6 2 9	13 7 10 1/2
	To 2 large Bearing Bars for Smoke Sucks		1	2 6 1	14 3
	To Mans time attending the fixing of Bearing Bars & Ties of Smoke Sucks	2 days			1. 12
	To 2 large King Bolts with plates & nuts	1 1			5 5
	To 2 large Queen Bolts with plates & nuts	1 1			5 5
	Carve forward				39 9 6 1/2

		Cwt	Drs	lbs	
1825	To amount brought forward				£ 39 9 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
Aug <sup>r</sup> 29	To a wrought Iron Chimney Pipe	22	4		7 4
	To a wrought Iron Wrench made to suit small bolts	19	8		4 6
	To 1. 15 inch cast bar Pantheon Stone				
	To 1. 18 inch Rumford Stone				1 3
	To 1. 20 inch . . . . . d <sup>o</sup>				
	To 1 d <sup>o</sup> . . . . . d <sup>o</sup>				
	To 1 square return wrought Iron Fender with foot in front				1 1 8
	To 3 ditto . . . smaller				
	To 4 Sets Fair Irons				1 2
	To 2 5 <sup>th</sup> Course Crosses				1 11
	To 1 Banister Brush				1 3
	To 2 Iron Dust Shovels				1 3 6
Sept 1	To 1 Wrought Iron Wrench as before	14	6		7
	To 4 day 1/2 size strong screws				1 2
	To a Bramahs Patent Brass Drawers Lock				1 15
3	To 10 Wrought Iron Ties with couplings at one end screwed at the other end with a strong nut & washer & 4 nail holes with 20 4 inch nails for ditto	3	9	9	13 10 1/2
	To a pair of large Scales with painted Beam, wood bottoms with strong Iron plates under ditto and ropes				1 7
	To 1 Iron Weight each 1. 2. 4. 7. 14 & 28 lbs				
	To 3 ditto . . . 5 lbs each				
5	To 5 Wrought Iron Chimney Pipes	7	4		1 19 8
7	To 1 Wrought Iron Drift Bolt for driving out other bolts steeld at both ends	3	2		2 7/2
	Carried forward	61	3	3 1/2	

1825	To amount brought forward			£ 61	3	3½
Sept 7	To 2 wrought Iron Attachment Bolts with Nuts & Collar plates to each	273		273		
10	To a Wrought Iron Truss Driver steel'd at both ends	94		74		
11	To 2 large Cast Iron Sides for Carriage as Drawing N <sup>o</sup> 13 and Cast Iron Cylinders & plates for enclosing ditto	39	17 26	50	17	11
12	To 4 long wrought Iron Ties fitted to grooves cast in the above carriages for uniting the same C.O. 16 To 8 wrought Iron Keys for ditto To 6 strong screw bolts with square heads & large nuts for connecting the above	10.3.6	17	16	9	30
12	To 1 Large cast Iron Centre Girth 18.1.14 To 1 Half ditto 14.2.15	33	1 19	32	11	11
13	To 9 Cast Iron joints for middle part of Floor over South West Kitchen	155	3 27	154		10
13	To 10 Cast Iron Joints as above	127	5	125	9	1½
14	To Mens time drilling holes in ends of Wedges of Tie Bars of long carriage ¾ day each 7				1	1
	To 4 Mens time cutting off the joggles ¼ of Iron joints 4 days each 7				5	12
	To 2 Mens time cutting in 2 equal sizes one of the cast Iron covering plates for large carriage ¾ day ea					10 6
16	To 48 wrought Iron Wedges for wedging up Girders & Joints Carriage				10	6
				£ 464	11	8

£ 464 11 8

1895 To amount brought forward  
 Sept 16 To 10 Cast Iron joints as before  
 Weight 141 0 13

Sept 1	Brake & Return	28. 2. 0	112	2	13		
20	To 2 Joints as above		132	1	14		
22	To 1 ditto		14	1	17		
23	To 2 ditto		34	0	7		
26	To 1 ditto		115	1	24		
27	To 2 ditto		32	1	14		
Oct 18	To 1 ditto		13	3	10		
21	To 1 ditto		14	1	14		
			269	21	19/9	266	2 10

To 4 Mens time assisting to fix  
 & chipping joints to fit Girders  
 5 days each @ 7/

Sept 24	To 2 wrought Iron Chimney Bars		1	27	2	1	18	4	
	To 6 ditto		1	3	3	2	3	6	4
26	To 6 ditto		1	3	2	3	1	15	8
27	To 2 ditto		2	12		1	2	8	

To 2 strong wrought Iron  
 Tie Bars with strong nails  
 & canklings at each end

To 14 screwd Tie Bolts with  
 square heads & nuts & 2 Collar  
 plates to each and 6 Attachment  
 bolts with nuts and 2 Collar  
 plates to each & 4 wrought Iron  
 Crown plates

To 1/2 doz 1/4 inch Screws						1		9
To 2 large Iron Wrenches as before			1	23	2			1 5 9

£ 759 11

deduct 4 Cast Iron joint weight - 13 3 3 7/9

B. H. W. G. H.

£ 4518 11

York House St. James's } Excavators Work done  
First Admeasurement }

for His Royal Highness Duke of York

By William Parsons

Under the direction of Benj<sup>n</sup> and Philip Wyatt Esq<sup>s</sup> Architects

£ . . . .

To digging out and carting away ground in general  
area of Building - digging out trenches & clearing  
away for foundations digging out and carting away  
ground for vaults on the East Side and for North  
Portico - Claying part of vaults on the East Side &c  
as <sup>per</sup> Contracts entered into with Mess<sup>rs</sup> Benj<sup>n</sup> &  
Philip Wyatt

430 .....

B. & P. Wyatt

The above Bill is that referred to  
in my Receipt dated 7 July 1726  
Wm Parsons



No. 6

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York House  
First Measurement

Excavators Work done

By William Parsons

£ 2130. 0. 0

Paid in  
Amount £ 300. 0. 0

£ 1830. 0. 0

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No 7  
 York House  
 First Admeasurement  
 Piles & Supplies  
 By Solliffe and Banks  
 s. d.  
 = 40. 19. 0

Highness the Duke of York  
 To Solliffe and Banks

Messrs Banks & P. Wyatt. Architects

August 24	No 4	15 Beak Piles for the foundation of His Royal Highness the Duke of Yorks House including Shows & Hoops & preparing	3	12	
		To Getting Ready Engines making Stages and driving	30	5	
Sept. 9	No 3	1 Beak Pile for the foundation of His Royal Highness the Duke of Yorks House, including Shows & Hoops & preparing	3	9	
		To Getting ready Engines making Stages & driving	30	4	10
13		To Pumping Water cutting off Pile Heads, Laying down Sleepers & planking			
		Foreman 3 1/2 Days	7	11	4.5
		Carpenters 7	7	5	1.10.5
		Excavators 9	4	11	1.15
		Spikes for 20. Cols	31	1	10
		To use of Pile Engine & Machinery for driving			
		from 25 <sup>th</sup> August to 12 Sept. including carting of 20 to & from the Works	1	3	

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B. & P. Wyatt

His Royal Highness the Duke of York  
 To Solleff and Banks

Per order of Messrs Banks & P. Wyatt. Architects -

1825					
August 24	To 4 Beech Piles for the foundation of His Royal Highness the Duke of Yorks House, including Shoes & Hoops & preparing	£	3	12	0
	To Getting Ready Engines making Stages and driving do	30/1	5	0	
Sept. 9	To 3 Beech Piles for the foundation of His Royal Highness the Duke of Yorks House, including Shoes & Hoops & preparing do	£	3	9	0
	To Getting ready Engines making Stages & driving do	30/1	4	10	0
13	To Pumping Water cutting off Piled Stacks, laying down Sleepers & plankings				
	Foreman 3 1/2 Days -	7/11	4	5	
	Carpenters 7 - "	5/6	1	10	5
	Excavators 9 - "	4/11	1	15	
	Spikes for do. 60 lbs	3/1	1	10	
					5 9
	To use of Pile Engine & Machinery for driving do from 25 <sup>th</sup> August to 12 Sept. including carting of do to & from the Works				3 0
					£ 40 19 5

B. & P. Wyatt



[No. 8]

H. R. H. The Duke of York  
for York House St. James's

1825.

Per James Simpson

Nov. 7 To 2 Strong Iron pipes fixed in  
Main at front Entrance with } £ 10.0  
outlets for connecting the Service } 1. 10. 4  
for supply of Water

B. & P. Wyatt

Ms.

Lord Howe

First Commencement

Engineers Work done

By James Simpson

1757  
£1.10.4

York House St. James  
First Admeasurement

His Royal Highness the

Duke of York D<sup>r</sup>

To the Clerks of Works

L. S. &c.

To Superintending the various Works  
examining the several vouchers of Day  
Work &c - per order of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Benj<sup>n</sup> and  
Philip Wyatt Architects from the 25<sup>th</sup>  
day of June 1825 to the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1826 inclusive

£ 189 . 13 . 6

B. & P. Wyatt

York House

First Admeasurement

H. R. H. D<sup>r</sup>

To the Clerk of Works

£189.13.6



Benj. Hyatt to John Parkersow

July Place  
July 7<sup>th</sup> 1826

Dear Sir

I have all the Receipts ready for you excepting that of Simpson, the Engineer, for a small sum of one pound & some odd shillings; and that I hope to have today or tomorrow; as soon as I have it, I will send the whole to you.

I am

Benj. Hyatt to John Parkinson Esq

confined at present. H. R. H's interests, the  
 with an inflammation <sup>has since</sup> people having made  
 in my right knee, or <sup>in</sup>ensive preparations for  
 I would have called on the work, and their activity  
 you with the Memorandum in subsequent stages of  
 :dum, which I was to its progress being very  
 prepare for you, & which likely to take its tone  
 I now send enclosed, regard from the punctuality  
 :ing the Payments. of the first engagement  
 I wish you to bear in with them as to money.  
 mind that the £2000 I remain, Dear Sir,  
 the first week in August Yours very truly  
 for the Scaglia people B. Hyatt  
 is, in my opinion, of (John Parkinson Esq.)  
very great importance



July 7 1826

7th July 1826  
 From W. Wyatt  
 inclosing them as to  
 payments for <sup>York House</sup> ~~Wool~~  
 John Parkinson on Esq  
 Messrs Farness & Co  
 Lincoln's Inn Fields  
 B. Wyatt



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Memorandum relative to the Payments for Cook House.

The arrangement made by H. R. H's Command, in the first instance, was that the Accounts should be made out & settled every six months, and according to that arrangement, the first Set of Accounts should have been made out in January last.

For many reasons, however, it was thought desirable, that the first Set of Accounts should include the Proof; and consequently that Set of Accounts was not made up till the beginning of the month of June, the Accounts themselves having occupied nearly three Months in making out after the Proof was on.

When it was first settled to postpone the Accounts for the purpose of including the Proof (it being then expected that the Accounts would be ready for

delivery in March) I received H. R. Jeps's Com: on a  
 :mands to state to H. R. Jeps at what time which  
 the next set of Accounts would be ready for delivery, time  
 and what amount would be required for them? Thus  
 I accordingly (with H. R. Jeps's sanction) consulted with  
 the principal Tradesmen, upon this subject, and receiv  
 afterwards arranged with H. R. Jeps, that the First  
 second set of Accounts should be paid at Michaelmas, to  
 stating, as my opinion, that £20,000 would be Secondl  
 required to meet those Accounts.

The Tradesmen have accordingly calculated upon  
 a payment at Michaelmas, and it should be  
 particularly remarked, that, although that  
 period follows rather close after the late Pay:  
 ment, yet it is three months later than  
 the period first for the second Payment, accord:  
 ing to the original arrangement; namely Mid:  
 :summer.

Exclusively of the general arrangement for the  
 payment of the second set of Accounts at Michael:  
 mas, it has been necessary to promise a  
 payment of £2,000 on account to Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
 Froggan & Co., in the first week in August,

Exec.

His Com: on account of a great quantity of Scagliola,  
at time which has been already a considerable  
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on account of a great quantity of Scagliola,  
which has been already a considerable  
time in hand.

Thus it appears that the Payments now  
necessary to keep in view are as follows - viz.

First

In the first week of August }  
to Messrs Crossan & Co } 2,000

Secondly

At Michaelmas - to the  
Tradesmen generally - from 18 to 20,000





Nathan Meyer Rothschild to Chas. Greenwood

New Court,  
28 July 1826

My dear Sir

When the Alliance Insurance Company was formed His Royal Highness the Duke of York kindly consented, for the welfare of the Company, to permit His Name to be inscribed for 100 Shares, and subsequently He became entitled to 100 Shares in the Marine Department of the Company.

As His R. H. has made no Payment hereon, I take the liberty to enclose herewith two Powers of Attorney for the re-transfer of these Shares, and the favor I have the solicitude to request you will get these Powers signed and then take the trouble of forwarding them to me.

Nathra

I am  
My dear Sir

Your truly  
respected

To Charles Greenwood Esq  
Brompton Park

Nathan Meyer Rothschild to Chas. Greenwood

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No 2  
Letter from Mr  
to Mr Greenwood.

20 July 1826  
From Mr Rothchild  
to  
Mr Greenwood  
as to H R H's share in  
the Alliance Insurance  
Company -

Charles Greenwood Esq

Barbara Sauley to Duke of York

Dublin  
6 Matland Square. 4<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>r</sup> 1826

Sir

The Policy of Insurance effected with the Atlas company upon your life for £500, part of £800, remaining due upon your bond to the late Samuel Sneyd, for securing £450, having expired, I, as executrix caused application to be made to your Royal Highness's Law Agent, Mr. Parkinson, to procure a settlement of the Debt, either by its being paid, or else secured by a new Policy of Insurance at your R<sup>ty</sup> Highness's expence, for the entire sum remaining due, or some other sufficient security, — not having been able to procure any settlement from Mr. Parkinson, the Parties entitled to the Money, who are in difficult circumstances, & could ill afford to sustain

such a loss, are pressing me to procure payment  
It is extremely distressing to me to be  
obliged to apply to your M<sup>ty</sup> Highness on the  
subject, but as I shall myself be held respon-  
sible for the amount of the Debt, if I neglect  
to take all necessary steps for the re-  
covery of it, & I have been strongly urged by  
the parties entitled, upon the subject, —  
it appeared to me that it would be the  
most satisfactory mode, as well as more  
respectful to your M<sup>ty</sup> Highness, to apply  
directly to yourself, stating how I am cir-  
cumstanced in this affair — I am the more  
induced to apply to your M<sup>ty</sup> Highness personally,  
as the former arrange<sup>mt</sup> made with your M<sup>ty</sup> Highness's  
agents by which it was agreed that an insurance should  
be effected for £500 & the residue of the Debt  
paid off by yearly Instalments of £250, was not  
fulfilled by them, only one Instalment having  
been paid, which I feel convinced could not have  
happened, had the matter been within your Royal

Barbara Sankey to Duke of York

Highness knowledge,

With the fullest reliance on your  
Mr Highness attention to this matter in  
having it speedily adjusted, I have the honor

To be your Mr Highness most  
Devoted Humble Servant

Barbara Sankey

To His Mr Highness  
The Duke of York

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No 3

Letter from B. Sanky  
to H. R. H. the Duke  
of York

4th Aug 1826  
From  
Mrs Sanky

to  
H. R. H.  
as to Polly of her name  
on his list & his name  
to Mr Sanky

Received of Mrs Sanky

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Sept 13 1826

Sept 10 1826

From Colo Stephenson  
with letters to and  
to Mr Gray's claim

Jr. Stephenson Esq

Lincoln's Inn Fields

W. Stephenson.



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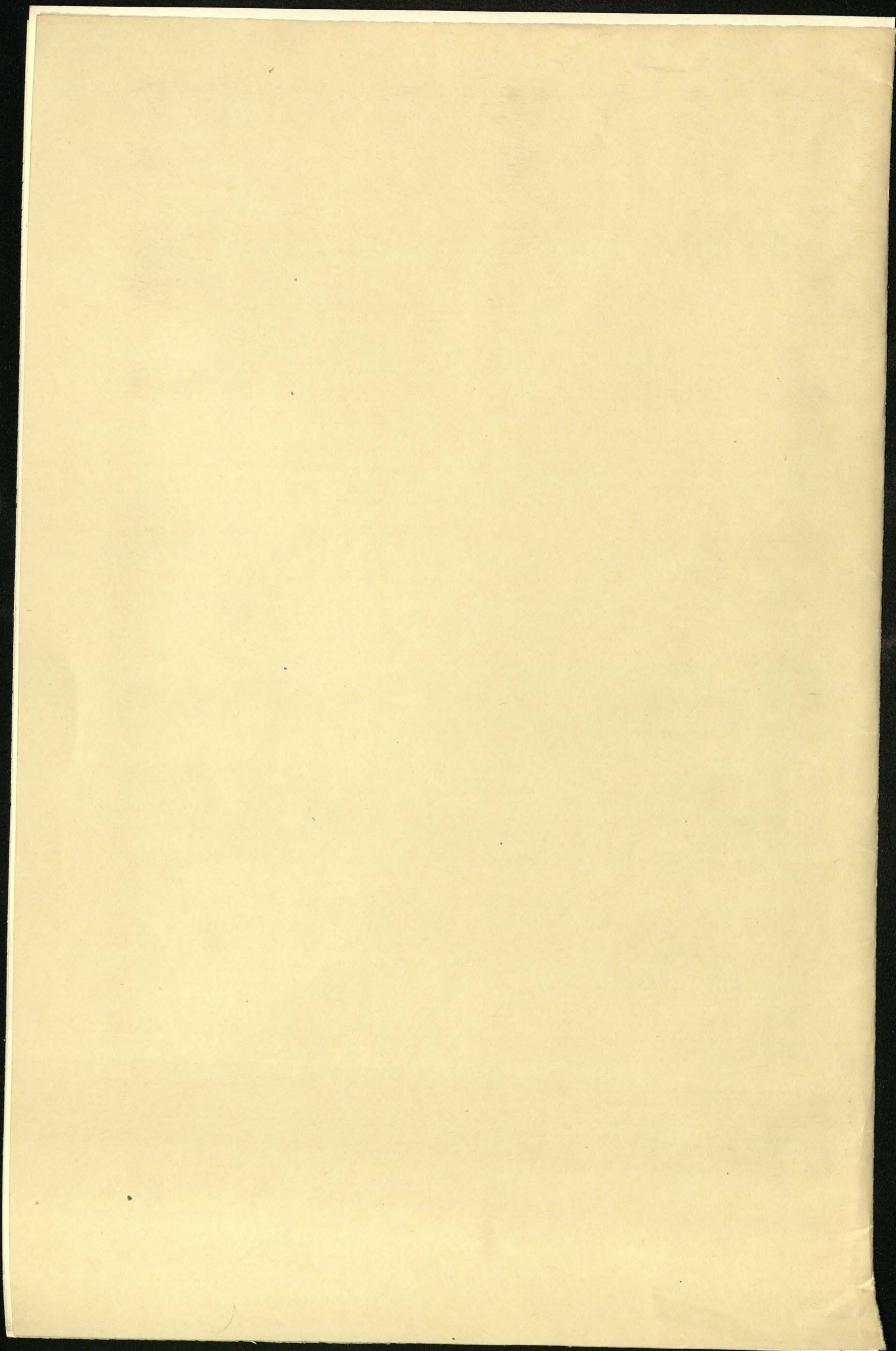
Gray's Inn Square,  
13<sup>th</sup> September 1826.

Sir,

It is really painful to me to write to you again on the subject of the debts due from His Royal Highness The Duke of York, to the Estates of the late Sir and Mrs Gray; but a personal feeling induces me once more to do so, in the hope that what I have now to communicate, may produce a favourable answer. All the surviving Trustees and Executors, with the Family of Sir and Mrs Gray, having met in London, and taken advice on the course they are to pursue; and it appearing that the former representations made on the subject of these demands had not produced the requested result, I was, consequently, required forthwith to adopt such Proceedings as Counsel might advise to enforce the payment of them. — I inclose with this letter a Copy of the Instructions prepared for Counsel for this purpose; but, before they are submitted, I will take upon myself to implore that the unavoidable consequence of such a Proceeding may be averted, by your making an arrangement for the actual payment of the debts with Interest. If this can happily be accomplished, I shall rejoice; and I entreat you, within a few days, to acquaint me whether it can or cannot. I have inclosed the Paper intended for Counsel for your perusal, because it is probable you may not either know, or from the multiplicity of your engagements may not recollect, all the circumstances connected with this matter; and because also I am extremely anxious, by this last appeal, to preclude the possibility of its being supposed that I have any interested object in the Proceedings directed.

I have the honor to be,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
Gardiner

Dr. Robt. Stephenson,



In Chancery

Gray ag<sup>t</sup> The Duke of York.

Herewith Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ will receive the following Papers, viz,

N<sup>o</sup> 1 - Copy of a Declaration of Trust, dated 3<sup>o</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1814 whereby Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwood Cox & Hammersley engaged in case of the death of H. R. H. The Duke of York to receive the Monies assured by certain policies in the Sun Assurance Society, & to apply the same in payment of a debt of £5000 and interest due from H. R. H. to Thos Gray Esq<sup>r</sup> (since deceased) and to pay the premiums on the Policies in the mean time -

N<sup>o</sup> 2. Copies of three Bonds executed by His Royal Highness, viz:

Dated 3<sup>o</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1814 - To Thomas Gray Esq<sup>r</sup> for Securing £5000 & Interest  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 10<sup>th</sup> March 1820 - To same \_\_\_\_\_ £1000 & Interest  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 10<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1821 - To Mary Gray widow \_\_\_\_\_ £1000 & Interest

N<sup>o</sup> 3. Copies of Correspondence relative to the debt due from H. R. H. to the Estate of the late Thomas Gray Esq<sup>r</sup> numbered 1 to 17. -

The debt of £5000 for securing which the Bond of 3<sup>o</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1814 was executed was composed of the following Sums, viz<sup>t</sup> -

1 <sup>st</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> 1814 Produce of Navy 5 per Cents sold out by Mr Gray at the request of His Royal Highness at 97 per Cent -	£1000
2 <sup>o</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> 1814 Produce of like stock sold out by Mr Gray at the same price	£1000
13 <sup>th</sup> Jan <sup>y</sup> 1815 - Produce of like Stock sold out by Mr Gray at about 94 per Cent	£3000
Making together	£5000

For this Sum of £5000 it was agreed that the Duke of York's life should be insured through the agency of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwood Cox & Hammersley, who were to engage to keep the Insurance on foot; and they, being then possessed of the eight Policies of Insurance recited in the Declaration of Trust, executed that Deed and delivered it to Mr Gray. These Policies, it will be observed, were all dated on the same day for several Sums amounting together to £787,000 for the term of 7 years from the date, which term expired January 1819. -

The Bond for £1000, dated 10<sup>th</sup> March 1820, was given to secure a debt of that amount incurred by H. R. H. for Jewels furnished to him by Mr Gray, who had carried on a very extensive business as a Jeweller in Sackville Street Piccadilly -

The Policies of Insurance mentioned in the Declaration of Trust having expired on the 16<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1819 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwood Cox & Hammersley caused a fresh Policy for £5000 to be effected at the Sun fire office dated on the day on which the former Policies expired as appears by the following Letter viz<sup>t</sup> -

"For  
 "Craig's Court 18<sup>th</sup> August 1820."  
 "The several Policies of Insurance on the life of His Royal Highness The Duke of York specified in the Deeds of Trust executed by ourselves bearing date 3<sup>o</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1814 having expired, We beg to acquaint you that we caused a fresh Policy for the sum of £5,000 to be taken out at the Sun Office bearing date 16<sup>th</sup> January

"1819 which we shall hold for the purposes stated in the Declaration of Trust before alluded to."

"We are Sir"

"Your most Obedient humble Servants"

"Thomas Gray Esq<sup>r</sup>"

"Greenwood Cox Esq<sup>r</sup>"

In this Month of August 1820, the interest on the Bond for £5000 having fallen into arrears, Mr Gray's Sol<sup>r</sup> waited upon Mr Cox who informed him that he did not think the Duke of York would object to give a Bond for the arrears of interest; and to insure his life for £2000 more, should the latter be practicable, which however Mr Cox doubted as he believed that all the insurance offices had already insured His Royal Highness's life to the full amount of what they usually venture upon any one life; and Mr Cox also said that he and his Partners would enter into an engagement to pay the premiums upon the insurance already effected. —

Mr Gray died on the 26<sup>th</sup> Sept: 1820, having, by his Will, dated 3<sup>o</sup> August 1816 (in which he is described of Thomas Gray of Sackville Street Piccadilly and of Earls Court in the Parish of Kensington both in the County of Midd<sup>x</sup> Jeweller) appointed John Pearson then of Golden Square in the County of Midd<sup>x</sup> Surgeon (since deceased) his brother William Gray then of Bond Street but now of Castle Cary in the County of Somerset Esq<sup>r</sup> William Rofsiter then of Barrington in the County of Somerset Esq<sup>r</sup> (since also deceased) The Rev<sup>d</sup> Philip Serle then of Trinity College in the University of Oxford Clerk but now Rector of Oddington in the County of Oxford and his wife Mary Gray Exors of his Will. —

On the 10<sup>th</sup> Oct: 1820 Mr Gray's Will was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury by Mr Wm Gray the Brother and Mrs Gray, the Widow two of the Exors Power being reserved of making the like Grant to John Pearson W<sup>m</sup> Rofsiter and Philip Serle the other Exors when they should apply for the same but none of them have ever done so. —

The interest continuing in arrears an application was made to His Royal Highness through ~~Mr Cox~~ Lt Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson, in consequence of which the Bond dated 10<sup>th</sup> Sept: 1821 was executed by His Royal Highness to Mr Gray for securing £1000 the amount of the arrears of interest —

This Bond was executed to Mrs Gray because under the Will of Mr Gray she was entitled to the residue of his personal estate —

Mrs Gray died on the 10<sup>th</sup> April 1824, having by her Will, dated the 8<sup>th</sup> of that Month appointed the s<sup>d</sup> John Pearson (since deceased) the said Wm Gray the s<sup>d</sup> Wm Rofsiter (since deceased) their Son the Rev<sup>d</sup> Robt Gray Clerk Rector of Sunderland near the Sea in the County palatine of Durham Exors of her Will; and on the 26<sup>th</sup> Apr: 1824 Mr Gray's Will was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury by Mr Robert Gray one of the Exors, power being reserved of making the like grant to John Pearson Wm Gray Wm Rofsiter the other exors when they or either of them should apply for the same; but none of them have ever done so. —

In Nov<sup>r</sup> 1825 Mr Rofsiter died, in May 1826 Mr Pearson also died. —

On the 26<sup>th</sup> May 1824, the letter (numbered 1) in the copies herewith left, was addressed to Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson by Mr Handley, the Sol<sup>r</sup> for the representatives of Mr & Mrs Gray, to which the letter number 2. was received in answer. —

The arrangements alluded to by Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson, being understood to be a Sale of Outlands, and the interest upon the 3 Bonds continuing to be paid, no further application was made until Nov<sup>r</sup> 1825, when it was understood that the Policy for £5000. effected by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwood & Co in Jan<sup>y</sup> 1819, was for the term of 7 years only, and would expire on the 16<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1826, the letter (numbered 3) was written by Mr Handley to Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson, suggesting that Insurances should be effected for £7000, the amount of the debt, upon H. R. H.'s life, for the whole term. This letter was referred by Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson to The Duke of York's Sol<sup>rs</sup> (Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries & Son) who, by their letter (No 5) informed Mr Handley that an application had been made to the Sun life Office for a renewal of the Policy.

On the 12<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1826, Mr Humphries informed Mr Handley that he had received a letter from the Sun office declining to renew the assurance, but that he had received H. R. H.'s commands that he was desirous the Insurance should be effected as proposed, & that, if Mr H. could find any offices where Policies could be obtained, H. R. H. would give orders that the premiums should be provided for, if they were not of very unreasonable amount.

Applications were immediately made to every Insurance Office in London Westminster and Southwark; & during negotiations with several Offices Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries & Son were applied to for and furnished certain information which was required, as appears by the letters, (numbered 7, 8, & 9).

The result of these negotiations was communicated to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries & Son by the letter (numbered 10) in which were stated the lowest rates of premiums, at which Insurances could be effected upon H. R. H.'s life.

From that time to the present no Insurance has been effected, nor has anything been done with that view on the part of the Duke of York.

The letter (numbered 13) was addressed in Feb<sup>r</sup>y to the Duke of York himself, and produced Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson's answer (numbered 14) in which he stated that as soon as H. R. H. returned to Town he would direct immediate Steps being taken for carrying Mr Handley's proposal into execution.

On the 8<sup>th</sup> March 1826 Mr Handley again urged the attention of Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson to this subject by a personal application to him, when the Col<sup>l</sup> said the Duke would (if possible) pay off the principal, which would be determined upon in the following week, & that the legal part of the subject would be referred to Mr Parkinson of Lincoln's Inn fields as the Duke's Solicitor.

No communication being received from Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson, notwithstanding the letter (numbered 15) to him; Mr Handley waited upon Mr Parkinson with copies of the correspondence who stated that he had no authority, to act upon the subject.

The letters (numbered 16 & 17) have since been addressed to Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson & to the Duke of York, but neither H. R. H. nor his Secretary have condescended to take any notice of them whatever, & the Trustees & Exors of Mr & Mrs Gray are advised by their Counsel that they are upon their own responsibility bound forthwith to proceed against H. R. H.

Upon the faith of what had passed the draft of an Instrument was prepared for guaranteeing, by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwood & Co the payment of the premiums upon the Insurances agreed to be effected, but this draft not having been submitted to H. R. H. or to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwood & Co or to any person on their behalf Counsel is not troubled with it.

Mr \_\_\_\_\_ is requested to advise the representatives of Mr & Mrs Gray as to the course which they should pursue, and if he should be of opinion that such a course will be expedient, he will please to settle a Bill praying that the whole principal Money and Interest may be immediately paid. - as His Royal Highness's life is understood not to be now insurable.

was addressed  
Mrs Gray, to





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May 26 1824 - May 19 1826

Correspondence (copies) re H.R.H.'s debt  
to representatives of Thomas Gray



May 26 1824 - May 19 1826

Copy of Correspondence relating to a Debt of  
£7000 and Interest due from His Royal Highness  
The Duke of York to the Representatives of Thomas  
Gray Esq<sup>r</sup>.

No. 1. Sir

6 Gray's Inn Square

26<sup>th</sup> May 1824.

On behalf of the Trustees and Executors of the late Mr. Tho<sup>s</sup>  
Gray, of Tackville Street, Jeweller, and of his widow Mrs Mary Gray,  
lately deceased, I beg leave, by their direction, to bring under your  
notice, as acting for His Royal Highness the Duke of York, the  
subject of the Debt remaining due from His Royal Highness, which  
appears to have originated as follows.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 1814 Mr. Gray advanced to His  
Royal Highness at his request in cash the sum of — £1000 — 0.. 0

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of that Month by the Sale of Navy  
5 per Bents, a like Sum of . . . . . 1000 .. 0.. 0

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of January following (1815) by a  
Sale of like Stock . . . . . 3000 .. 0.. 0

Making together . . . . . £5000 .. 0.. 0

For this Sum His Royal Highness executed to Mr. Gray his Bond  
payable with Interest; and consented to have his life insured; and  
this Insurance has been continued, through the medium of Messrs.  
Greenwood Cox & Hammersley.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 1820, His Royal Highness executed  
another Bond to Mr. Gray for £1000 payable with Interest. This  
sum, it is understood, was for the amount of some Book Debts,  
of which His Royal Highness was, no doubt, regularly furnished  
with accounts.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of September 1821 His Royal Highness was pleased  
to execute to the Executors of Mr. Gray, his Bond for £1000 being the  
amount of Interest due upon the former Sums.

These several Sums amount together to £7000, and it is  
understood His Royal Highness has been pleased to order that the

Interest of this amount should be paid up to a recent period.

The Representatives of Mr. Gray and Mrs. Gray, the former of whom died nearly four years ago, and the latter on the 10<sup>th</sup> of April last, being the Trustees for among others, incapacitated persons have ever since Mr. Gray's death, found themselves in a situation of much responsibility; but till now have not been so imperatively called upon as they now are to get in the Property, and settle all the affairs of Mr. & Mrs. Gray. Being in this situation of personal liability, without the possibility of indemnity, as to several of the individuals interested, they feel themselves compelled to bring this subject, through you, in the most respectful manner, under His Royal Highness's notice and consideration, in the hope that the circumstances which induce this application, may be deemed a sufficient excuse for now intruding upon His Royal Highness's attention their humble request that His Royal Highness will be graciously pleased to order the early liquidation of the principal money and Interest remaining due upon the Securities before stated in order that they may be enabled to carry the Trusts reposed in them into effect; and they humbly beg leave to rely upon His Royal Highness's giving such direction, from the circumstance that the greatest part of the money due was advanced by Mr. Gray to oblige His Royal Highness, for whom it is known Mr. Gray entertained the highest attachment and respect, at a period when the Stock, <sup>was a very low price; and if it had not been so sold out</sup> sold out, it will be evident that his Family would now have been greatly benefited by the large increase in value of that Stock. —

The Trustees and Executors are extremely anxious to conclude their Trust; but at the same time are solicitous, as far as in their power (without incurring more of responsibility than they are persuaded His Royal Highness would wish them to be subjected to) that the arrangement for liquidating this demand should be made suitable to His Royal Highness's convenience; they however beg respectfully to add their entreaty that the whole may be paid off in the course of the present year; and they will feel much obliged if you will have the goodness on behalf

of His Royal Highness to give them an assurance to that effect

I have the honour to be, Sir

For myself and Mr. Wing

Your most humble Servant

J. Handley.

Col: Stephenson

W. G. G.

Office of Works

18<sup>th</sup> June 1824

No 2.

Sir

I took the earliest opportunity of submitting your Letter respecting the affairs of the late Mr & Mrs Gray for the consideration of the Duke of York; and have received His Royal Highness's commands in answer to acquaint you that active arrangements are making for the liquidation of the Debt due to the late Mr Gray, but which are considerably delayed by the present very depreciated state of Landed property. - The Duke of York has further commanded me to return you & Mr. Wing his best thanks for the very kind consideration you have expressed towards His Royal Highness in this Business.

And I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Thomas Handley Esq;

W. G. G.

B. C. Stephenson

6 Grays Inn Square

3<sup>rd</sup> November 1825.

No 3

Sir

The Trustees and Executors of the late Mr & Mrs Gray have directed me to request that you will please to take as early an opportunity as may be convenient and proper to submit to the consideration of His Royal Highness the Duke of York the subject of the Debt remaining due to Mr Gray's Estate. I beg leave to refer you to the Letter which I had the honor of addressing to you on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 1824, to which you favored me with an answer on the 18<sup>th</sup> of the following Month, stating that

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active arrangements were then making for the liquidation of the Debt due to the late Mr. Gray, but which were considerably delayed by the very depreciated state of Landed Property. In my previous Letter I took the liberty of explaining to you the nature and origin of this Debt, with the Securities which His Royal Highness was pleased to execute; and I also pointed out the great responsibility as well as the peculiarity of the situation in which the Trustees and Executors stand, as acting for others some of whom are incapacitated. To those explanations I now add that the Trustees and Executors are placed in circumstances of personal inconvenience and jeopardy, being imperatively called upon to render those minute accounts which according to the Laws for regulating the duties payable to Government in respect to the personal property of deceased persons, they are compellable by a serious process to furnish.

The Family of the late Mr. Gray, inheriting the personal attachment and respect which their late Father entertained towards His Royal Highness, conceive very reluctantly with the Executors of their Parents in humbly entreating that His Royal Highness will be pleased to take this subject into his early consideration; and they have directed me to assure you that they are now, as they ever have been most anxious, as far as they possibly can to consult the convenience of His Royal Highness. With this view they have desired me to advert to the Insurance effected by Messrs. Greenwood & Coe for the sum of £5000 as a partial Security. This Insurance I understand, is now on the point of expiring; and it is of the utmost consequence that it should be renewed.

In the anxiety which Mr. Gray's Family feel to express their respect to the Duke of York, and their gratitude for the Patronage which His Royal Highness and other Members of His august Family were graciously pleased to extend to the late Mr. Gray, I am instructed to express their wish that, if practicable, some arrangement should be made for relieving His Royal Highness at least for some time from those urgent applications which the Trustees are bound to make for payment of the Debt in question.

- Recollecting His Royal Highness's kindness in directing from time to time the payment of the Interest, and relying with the utmost confidence that His Royal Highness will direct the payment of the Principal as early as possible, the Family have instructed me to suggest that Insurances should now be effected for the amount of the Debt upon His Royal Highness's life for the whole sum and the Policies legally vested in the Trustees, by which means, if His Royal Highness will be pleased to make such arrangements as may be proper for payment of the Interest and Premiums, the payment of the Principal Debt might remain till it be convenient to His Royal Highness to discharge it.

Should this suggestion so far meet (as I trust it will) with your approbation, as to induce you to recommend its adoption to His Royal Highness, Mr. Gray's Family will rejoice thereby to relieve His Royal Highness from the annoyance of those pressing solicitations which the Trustees are and would otherwise continue bound to make; and I have their instructions to do what may be necessary to carry this arrangement into effect.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant  
J Handley.

Colonel Stephenson  
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6 Gray's Inn Square

30<sup>th</sup> November 1825

No. 4. Sir

Mr. Ashcraft the Accountant of Mr. and Mrs. Gray's Trustees, informed me that you had expressed the intention of laying before His Royal Highness the Duke of York the Letter which on behalf of the Trustees, I addressed to you on the 3<sup>d</sup> Instant. From the particular responsible situation in which the Trustees are placed with reference to the large sums of money due from His Royal Highness to their cestui que trusts, they are naturally desirous to receive His Royal Highness's answer to the proposition I took the liberty to submit relative to the continuation of the Insurance without which it will be perceived that they could not



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be warranted in the proposal then made by their desire. I am therefore persuaded that I need not apologize for the request I now beg leave to make, that you will be pleased to communicate to me, as soon as conveniently may be, the answer which His Royal Highness may have condescended to authorize upon the subject of that Letter for the information of the Trustees.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Colonel Stephenson  
v. v. J.

Your most obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant  
J. Handley.

Serle Street

29<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1825

No 5. Sir,

Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson has handed to us your Letter of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Instant, respecting the Debt due from the Duke of York to the Trustees and Executors of the late Mr and Mrs Gray, and in order to enable us to reply to it, an application has been made to the Sun Life Office for a renewal of the Policy of Assurance, which will expire on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 1826.

We have not yet received any answer from the Office, but so soon as it is obtained, our attention shall be immediately devoted to this business.

We are,  
Sir

Yours obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant

Your obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant

John Humphries Esq

Ms. These words written in all into copy the small written by Humphries

No 6. Mr Handley presents his Compl<sup>ts</sup> to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries Esq, and requests they will inform him whether any answer has been received from the Sun Life Office respecting the proposal for renewing the Assurance upon the Life of His Royal Highness the Duke of York, for the benefit of the Estate of the late Mr Gray, and whether any further directions have been received from Col<sup>l</sup> Stephenson relative to Mr Handley's Letters to him. — A meeting of the parties will take place in the course of the present week, which renders it very important that Mr Handley should be able to make some report to them on this Business.

6 Gray's Inn Square  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1826

No. 7. Mr. Handley presents his Compl<sup>ts</sup> to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries & Son, and requests they will favor him with the names of the two Medical Gentlemen, to whom reference may be made respecting the State of health of His Royal Highness the Duke of York; Mr. Handley being desir'd to furnish the names of Medical Referees before the rate of premium can be fixed.

6 Gray's Inn Square  
17<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1826.

No. 8. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries present their Compliments to Mr. Handley and write to inform him that the Medical Gentlemen to whom reference is generally made respecting the health of H. R. H. The Duke of York are Sir Hy. Hallford of Curzon Street May fair Bart. and J Macgregor Esq<sup>r</sup>, Savile Row Burlington gardens

Leeds Street  
17<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1826.

No. 9. Mr. Handley presents his Compl<sup>ts</sup> to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries & Son, and requests they will be so obliging as to enable him to answer the following queries relative to H. R. H. the Duke of York viz<sup>t</sup>:

- Yes. — Has H. R. H. had the small pox or cow pox? Has had the small pox
- No. — Has H. R. H. had the gout?
- No. — Is H. R. H. afflicted with Rupture, Fits, Convulsions, Asthma, Insanity, or Spitting of Blood, or any other Disorder, and what?

Ms. These 3 words with those in red ink respecting the small pox written by Mr. Humphries.

6 Gray's Inn Square  
20<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1826.

No. 10. Mr. Handley presents his Compl<sup>ts</sup> to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphries & Son and begs to subjoin for their consideration the several rates of Premium at which he will be able to effect insurance upon the life of His Royal Highness the Duke of York for the amount of the Debt remaining due to the Estate of the late Mr. Gray.

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These Rates of Premium of course depend upon the opinion which the Directors of the several Offices may be enabled to form as to the State of His Royal Highness's Health, and Mr. Handley wishes to inform Messrs. Humphries & Son that according to the regulations of the Office where the Premium of £8.5.6 per Cent is required it will be indispensibly necessary that two of the Medical Equivales of the Establishment should be permitted to wait upon His Royal Highness. Having understood from Mr. Humphries that it is His Royal Highness's pleasure that the plan suggested in Mr. Handley's Letter to Colonel Stephenson for securing the Debt in question by Insurance should be adopted, Mr. Handley does not doubt that the Rates of Premium above mentioned will be approved, and that His Royal Highness will condescend to allow himself to be troubled by a personal interview. — Mr. Handley requests the early attention of Messrs. Humphries & Son to this subject, and that they will also consider the mode which the annual Premiums and Interest are to be secured during the life of His Royal Highness or until the Debt shall be paid off.

6 Gray's Inn Square  
 30<sup>th</sup> Janry 1826.

No. 11. Mr. Handley presents his Compl<sup>ts</sup> to Messrs. Humphries & Son, and requests they will have the goodness to inform him whether they have received any further Commands from His Royal Highness the Duke of York on the subject of Mr. Handley's Letter of the 30<sup>th</sup> January last.

6 Gray's Inn Square  
 4 February 1826.

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N<sup>o</sup> 12. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Humphreys present their Compliments to Mr. Handley and beg to inform him that his last Letter has been laid before His Royal Highness the Duke of York, but no further Commands have been given respecting it. Mess<sup>rs</sup> H. will lose no time in obtaining H. R. Highness's answer and an immediate communication will be made to Mr. Handley respecting this matter.

Perle J.<sup>r</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> Feby 1826.

6 Gray's Inn Square

18<sup>th</sup> Feby 1826.

N<sup>o</sup> 13. May it please Your Royal Highness

On the part of the Trustees and Executors of the late Mr. G. Gray of Sackville Street, I humbly intreat permission to request your Royal Highness's attention to the subject of the debt due to them; and I trust that your Royal Highness will condescend to allow me to submit the circumstances attending it to your gracious consideration.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> December 1814 Mr. Gray had the honour to advance to your Royal Highness by the Sale of Navy 5 per Cents the sum of

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On the 8<sup>th</sup> of the same Month, by the Sale of like Stock, a further sum of

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And on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January following by the same means

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For securing to Mr. Gray the repayment of this Sum with Interest your Royal Highness was pleased to execute a Bond, and to Command that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwood Cox & Hammersley should hold certain Policies of Insurance upon your Royal Highness's life, for Mr. Gray's benefit; and that the payment of the current Premiums should be guaranteed by those Gentlemen, for which purpose they entered into a proper Instrument.

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to execute another Bond to Mr. Gray for £1000 and Interest, being the amount of certain accounts for Jewellery, with which Mr. Gray had the honor to furnish Your Royal Highness - and on the 10<sup>th</sup> of September 1821, a third Bond was executed for securing an additional Sum of £1000 being the arrears of Interest on the former Securities.

These several Sums, amounting together to £7000 constitute the principal Monies for which the Family of Mr. & Mrs. Gray look towards Your Royal Highness, the Interest having by your command been paid up to the Month of March in the last year.

The death of Mr. Gray in the month of April 1824, rendered it necessary for me to request Lieut. Colonel Stephenson would bring this subject under Your Royal Highness's notice; and I beg leave to acknowledge the kind approbation with which Your Royal Highness condescended to receive the application then made.

In the Month of November last I again presumed to solicit the consideration of this subject, on the part as well of the Executors, as of the Family of the late Mr. Gray; and I took the liberty at that time of explaining very fully to Lieut. Colonel Stephenson the sentiments of respect and attachment which Mr. & Mrs. Gray's surviving Family entertain towards Your Royal Highness's Person, as well as towards every other Member of your august Family, and the gratitude which they feel for the Patronage extended to their late Father. - In their anxiety to express these Sentiments, and to relieve Your Royal Highness from those urgent applications which the Executors are compelled to make, a scheme was devised and submitted to Lieut. Col. Stephenson for securing the ultimate payment of the sum which is the subject of this letter by Insurance of Your Royal Highness's life. It having been communicated to me that Your Royal Highness had been graciously pleased to command that this scheme should be adopted, provided Insurances could be effected upon proper terms, it became my duty to proceed with the requisite enquiries; and without troubling Your Royal Highness with the details, I beg permission here to state that I have laid before Mr. Humphries for Your Royal Highness's information the Terms on which Insurances can be effected.

The late Insurance having expired, your Royal Highness will pardon the remark that Mr. Gray's Family feel considerable anxiety until the Plan above referred to shall have been carried into effect, whilst they at the same time are very reluctant thus to trespass upon your Royal Highness's valuable time. The loss already sustained by the great variation in the price of the Public Funds; the importance of the subject to the Family; and the very responsible and critical situation in which the Executors are placed as representing amongst others Infants and incapacitated persons, will I humbly Trust be esteemed by your Royal Highness as forming a sufficient excuse for my present intrusion; and I venture to hope that your Royal Highness will be graciously pleased to command that the requisite measures may be immediately taken to effect the Insurances, and as on the former occasion that Messrs. Greenwood Cox & Hammersley may undertake to pay the Annual Premiums. By this means and the payment of the Interest as heretofore the Family of Mr. Gray will request that your Royal Highness's convenience may regulate the discharge of the Principal, and they will feel gratified in being able to engage that no further applications on that subject shall be addressed to your Royal Highness.

Intreating your Royal Highness's indulgence,  
I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your Royal Highness's most Obedt.

His Royal Highness } and very humble Servant  
The Duke of York } J. Handley.  
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P. J. Alton attending with a Letter of which the foregoing is a copy, I learnt that your Royal Highness was not expected to return to Town for some time, and I have therefore ventured most respectfully, to address this Duplicate of my Letter to your Royal Highness in the Country, which I have felt myself constrained to do from the circumstance that one of the Trustees, for whom I do not act, having referred to his own legal advisers, is alarmed at his

responsibility which he is assured by them awaits the nonpayment or want of Security of the money, and is therefore extremely urgent that this appeal may be now submitted in the hope that your Royal Highness may be graciously pleased to express your Command that the Security humbly solicited may be speedily effected.

No 14. Sir

Office of Works  
28<sup>th</sup> Feby 1826.

I have been honored with the Duke of York's Commands to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 18<sup>th</sup> Instant and have in answer to assure you that His Royal Highness fully estimates the great consideration yourself and the Trustees of the late Mr. Gray, have invariably shown in whatever related to the Business alluded to in your Letter; and that as soon as His Royal Highness returns to Town he will direct immediate steps being taken, for carrying your proposal into execution.

Thomas Handley Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
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Yours most Obedient Servant  
B. C. Stephenson.

No 15. Sir

6 Grays Inn Square  
17<sup>th</sup> March 1826.

Having communicated to Mr. Gray's Trustees the hope which you expressed to me last week, that His Royal Highness The Duke of York would, before this time, either decide to pay off the Principal and Interest or to permit His Royal Highness's Life to be insured in the Offices I mentioned, in order to secure the Debt; I beg leave to acquaint you that the parties interested are extremely anxious to learn the result of His Royal Highness's determination, so that if they have not the gratification to learn that the money may be expected soon to be paid they may take the necessary means to have the Insurance effected without delay: I therefore take the liberty to entreat that you will inform me of His Royal Highness's decision at your earliest convenience,

And have the honor to be  
Lieut. Col. Stephenson.

Your most obedient Servant  
T. Handley.

6 Grays Inn Square.  
29<sup>th</sup> April 1826.

No. 16 Sir

When I last attended you, on behalf of the Representatives of the late Mr & Mrs Gray, you informed me that His Royal Highness the Duke of York had been pleased to give directions that the Debt due from His Royal Highness to those Representatives, should speedily be either secured, as requested, by Assurance upon His Royal Highness's life, or by actual payment of the money, which, under the circumstances of this case, would be more agreeable; and I understood you that on the following day, now, I believe, at least six weeks ago, this subject would be taken into consideration with Mr. Parkinson, and that I might soon afterwards expect His Royal Highness's decision, as to whether the payment should be made, or the Assurances effected, the Annual Premiums of which you stated would be so large, that on that account also the Duke would prefer the payment of the Principal, with the Interest now due upon it.

Not having received the expected communication from you (which I had reported to the parties interested I had no doubt would soon be made, from what you had stated to me) and having called again at the Office of the Board of Works to see you, when I was informed you were engaged and not there, I awaited myself of an opportunity to enquire of Mr. Parkinson what had been done & decided on about this matter, telling him what had passed with you, and that those I represented were exceedingly anxious and pressing to learn the result, which, if not soon known would unavoidably lead to very unpleasant consequences; and I was sorry to hear from Mr. Parkinson that he was altogether entirely ignorant of the subject, about which he said he had never been consulted, or received any direction, without which of course he could not take any cognizance of it.

I feel myself thus Compelled to address you again, and to assure you that with the most anxious disposition on the part of such of Mr. Gray's family as are in a capacity to act, to save His Royal Highness every trouble in their power, and for which purpose the Assurance was (as you know from my Letter to His Royal Highness) suggested, it is now impossible to avert one or other of two most painful alternatives; namely, either a Proceeding against His Royal Highness which the Trustees and Executors of Mr & Mrs Gray have been told by

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As I mentioned to you personally, I had at that time, taken great trouble, by sending to all the Insurance Offices, more I believe than thirty in number to ascertain at which and on what terms they would grant Insurances; and I stated to you what Offices were, as it is called, open, and mentioned the annual Premiums required by each, for the sums they respectively had proposed to Insure, on the Premiums I stated, amounting as we then calculated to between 600 £ & 700 £ per annum. Whether the Insurance could be now effected on these Terms I know not; but having at the instance of such of the Family as are in a capacity to act, done the utmost in my power towards accomplishing their anxious desire, if possible, not to give His Royal Highness any trouble, I can only now in addition to what I have here stated refer you to the Letters I have written to His Royal Highness and to yourself, and entreat your answer as to his decision either to pay the money or effect the Insurances forthwith most anxiously hoping that both the painful alternatives to which I have referred may in one way or other be speedily averted.

I have the honor to be,

Coll. Stephenson  
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Sir, your most Obedient Servant  
 J. Handley.

N<sup>o</sup> 17 May it please Your Royal Highness

6 Gray's Inn Square  
 19<sup>th</sup> May 1826.

On behalf of the Representatives and Family of the late Mr. & Mrs. Gray of Sackville Street, I was peremptorily directed to lay before your Royal Highness, personally, the situation in which they are placed

respecting the Debt due from your Royal Highness; and therefore by a Letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> of February last, I took the liberty to explain this subject and to entreat that directions might be given for effecting the Insurances therein suggested, as the method best calculated to preclude any inconvenience to your Royal Highness, and at the same time to afford such security for the money as would justify the Executors in not requiring the immediate discharge of it; and having afterwards personally seen Colonel Stephenson, I was informed by him, that under the particular circumstances of this Case, your Royal Highness had been pleased to express your desire to pay off the Debt in preference to the giving of this Security for it, but that if it should be inconvenient then to discharge it, the Insurances should be forthwith effected, in order to relieve the Executors from the heavy responsibility in which they are placed, from the want of either payment or Security; and he promised that I should very soon be informed of your Royal Highness's decision.

Not having received this information, and the parties being alarmed, from the peculiar nature of the subject, I wrote to the Colonel on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March, desiring he would acquaint me for their information what determination your Royal Highness might have been pleased to come to; but not having received any farther communication, I wrote to him again on the 29<sup>th</sup> of April, most particularly pointing out the situation in which both the Representatives and the Family continued to be placed and that it was become impossible to avert either one or the other of two most painful alternatives, namely, either a Proceeding against your Royal Highness which the Executors had been repeatedly told by the legal advisers of one of them that it was their bounden duty, on their own personal responsibility forthwith to take, or a Suit in Chancery which would not only lead to the same unpleasantness to your Royal Highness, but have the farther most distressing consequence to the Family of having at least one Commission of Lunacy immediately directed by that Court in respect of one of Mr. Gray's Sons, who has long been in a state of mental incapacity; and in such a Suit, the Executors were fully aware that the Court would hold them personally answerable for the whole of this Debt, because in the ordinary course it was their bounden duty to have recovered it within a reasonable time after their Testator's death; and from the principles which guide the decisions of Courts of Equity, they could not be relieved from this responsibility; and I concluded this my last Letter to Colonel Stephenson with the earnest

entreaty of all concerned that he would inform me of your Royal Highness's decision either to pay the money or to permit the Insurances to be forthwith effected, in order that both the painful alternatives above alluded to, might be speedily averted. — Nearly three weeks have since elapsed; and not having been honoured with any answer whatever to these entreaties, the parties are kept in a very distressing state of suspense arising from their feelings of the highest deference and respect towards your Royal Highness, on the one hand, and the execution of their duty on the other; and by their direction I now most respectfully beg leave to solicit your Royal Highness's pardon for the humble request which their really distressing situation compels them, through me to address — that your Royal Highness will soon be graciously pleased to "Command either the payment of the Principal and Interest remaining due, or that the Insurances, as a Security for the amount, may be forthwith effected". They are impressed with a strong feeling of gratitude towards your Royal Highness, for so far taking this subject into favourable consideration as to have expressed your desire, if possible now to pay off the money; and it would be much more gratifying to them if this can be done without inconvenience, because they are aware of the heavy expence which would be occasioned by making the Insurances.

I have the honor to be with the highest respect  
Your Royal Highness's most humble Servant

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