

Office of Ordnance
 21 February 1831
 Gentlemen

I have the honour by command of the Board of Ordnance to acquaint you that in the years 1828 and 1829 they incurred an expense of £3007.2.6 in making and repairing tents for His late Majesty at Virginia Water, and in providing lamps, chairs, and other furniture for them, on applications received at different periods from Sir F. B. Watson communicating His late Majesty's Commands for the supply of such articles. These services the Board, of course, felt no hesitation in undertaking in compliance with His late Majesty's wishes, and since their completion they applied in the first instance to the Lord Chamberlain for repayment

The Executors
 of His late Majesty Geo: 4.th

of the expense so incurred, this department having no funds available for such a purpose, to which his Lordship replied that the services did not appertain to his department, and declined the payment. The Board have subsequently applied to the Treasury for repayment, which their Lordships have declined on the ground that the services were undertaken without their authority.

In the preparation of the Ordnance estimates for the present year this question has again come under the Board's consideration, the sum still remaining unprovided, and I have received their commands to communicate the above particulars to you as the Executors of His late Majesty for such orders as you may think proper to give thereon.

I beg to add that the Board will feel greatly obliged by the favour

of an early reply, and that they will direct you to be furnished with any detail of information you may be pleased to require upon the subject.

I have the honour to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
humble servant
W Byham

Office of Ordnance
21st Feb^r 1891.

Mr. Bayliss

The
Genl. Secy of the War Office

Respecting a Remittance
of £5000/- 2-6

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