

S. King's home

4 Aug. 1792

*[Faint, mostly illegible cursive handwriting, likely the body of the letter, obscured by water damage.]*

to Dinwiddie  
N. 17. Suffolk Street, Highgate  
London



Sir

Recollecting that you have not given me the true  
direction of the artist, has furnished you the above  
Method, I begg to <sup>be</sup> assured not to forget <sup>it</sup>. you may leave  
the note at my lodgings. I hope to see you in London before  
you set out, at the latter end of August.

If you should have a mind to try the melting of the ~~old~~ <sup>old</sup> cond. platinum  
for amusement on sea or in China, you should not trouble your self with  
picking it from impurities, which are ~~in~~ <sup>in</sup> always among the particles of the  
metal as it was by long tuteration and washing in a ~~acid~~ <sup>acid</sup> or ~~mother~~ <sup>mother</sup> freed  
from all heterogeneous bodies. it was afterwards boiled in strong marine acid  
it ought to have been washed oftener in pure water ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> boiling, to  
wash off all the acid by which it will become whiter and brighter.

I am

Harford August the 4<sup>th</sup>. 1792.

your obedient humble  
servant. J. Ingen House