Hume
Dott. Dimidie
17 Greville Street
Holborn
Sept. 23

Dear Sir,

I am just arrived and sent George to ask you how you do before he returns to school. Pray let him have your nephew's letter to me and send a message by George whether you have answered it and when.

I will thank you to examine my young man respecting division of decimals, to prove whether he perfectly understand the rules.

Yours truly,

Sept. 23.
Dr. Dimidde's
at
W. Penn's
Shoemakers
No. 8
Newminster Str.
Dear Sir,

I have written to Mr. Fay in rather a sharp tone, requesting an immediate answer and I mentioned particularly the £8.15—I called this afternoon on Mr. Howard, who promised to send the cash to me this evening, his clerk, who it seems takes charge of this branch of the profession, being then absent. Pray inform me by George what is the price of Mr. Singer's work just published. I have one copy on extra people. Will you ask my son a question or two, to find whether he clearly understands decimals? Mr. Pen...
Dear Sir,

The bearer of this will call in his way back from Boston Square for your answer to the following passage in Dr. Jardine's Letter — to whom I shall write this day.

Yours,

Jos. Home

"Pray can you send me the address of my half-brother James — if you know where he lives? Mr. M'Kinnon knows that I should be glad to hear from him; my ignorance of his place of abode is the only motive that has prevented me from writing to him at least for these three years past."
Dear Sir,

I sent off my son, George, and Mr. Heales about an hour ago, to pay you £441 8s. 1d., and I gave them a state of the account as it now stands between you and me. I forgot however, to send also a copy of the account and I received of Mr. Howard this I shall now enclose by which you will see that the new charges amount to £58 12s. He told me this is the usual expense, and that the person who sells always pays it, and that upon when you purchased this annuity paid nothing. I pray favour me with a few lines to acknowledge this transaction and that you agree to the balance in my hands this day being exactly to the amount of five hundred pounds in your favour. This is the sum you requested me to retain for you. I have this day received a letter from Dr. Jardine...
Dated Nov 16. He was then ignorant of his mother's death, but had received such accounts of her health that he seems to entertain no other expectations than the news of her death. He had not then heard that you had acknowledged his long letter to you of nearly the same date. Perhaps tell me when you wrote to him and when you propose to write again—You must also give me proper instructions about his necessity to be sent to Scotland now that his poor mother is no more, as I wish to write to him and send the several annual accounts of our transactions.
You will excuse me if I say that I am anxious respecting the safety of the money I send to you to day, and that in a situation so much out of the way and so secluded, robberies are more likely to happen and thieves to pilfer and steal—above 1000 pounds in cash. A secluded lodging is certainly not very secure; therefore at all events keep the matter a profound secret.

Yours truly,

A. Prime
Dr. Sir James Dennie

Commission on 4/19/2 at 2 1/2 per cent and stamps 5/- 1. 8. 11
Property tax 5. 6. 7
Amount of charges in the sale of the annuity 58. 12. 0

Principal £1000

Proportion of annuity from 23 July 1814 to 4 Feb. 1815 is 6 months + 12 days 53. 5. 9

Cash paid to Mr. Hume 987. 18. 3

£1053. 5. 9
Feb. 4th 1815

Memorandum

Presented this account to H. Dimmick

Thos.
Doct James Dimidie & Co.
1814
March 7. By Balance 4 15.0
Aug. 18 By 1/2 a years annuity 43 15.6
1815 Feb. 7
By cash received of Mr. Howard being the balance arising 987 18.3
from the sale of the annuity.

1036 8.9

D. Dimidie Debtor
Mar. 8. 1814 To postage 8
Aug. 18 To cash paid to loan 45
1815 Jan. 23. To ditto paid to Mrs. Bailey 50
Feb. 7 To ditto paid by Mr. Feale 141 8.1

536 8.9

1815
Feb. 7
Credit
Debitor
Balance due to L.D. 500

536 8.9

1036 8.9
My dear Sir,

I send by Mr. Bailey the sum you know want viz. £50, and as soon as I shall have received the money from Mr. Howard you shall hear from me or receive what you may want. Pray write a few lines to acknowledge this £50—and inform me what I am to do in Gardiner’s annuity to be sent to Scotland, now that his brother is no more; say how much and how it is to be disposed. Say also whether I am to convey the whole of what Howard is to pay, into your hands or if part of it is to be placed in any of the public funds. I suspect that the distance and my time prevent our meeting so often as I could wish. I am very truly yours.

Jan. 23. 1875.
Dear Sir,

As I shall write to Grenada on Wednesday I shall be glad of a few lines from you by way of instructions what I am to say. You will also inform me what Sam is to be remitted to the North, and if it may be paid to you as the brick now drawn near for the usual annuity. I wrote to Howard urging him to dispose of the whole of your annuity if possible, and without loss of time. I have heard nothing further nor have I seen Mr. Sanders. I am afraid of your lady's illness to Mr. Gray will neither be acknowledged by her, I would not let another week pass before I should call at attorney.
to work by at least sending her a letter, giving her notice of
the proceeding against her.

I believe you have already acquainted your
nephews of his mother's death.

I wish to say upon that score
say also if you mean to
accept his offer of some
money, or if you can do
without it. Shall I say
any thing about the comfort
mate sale suit, or will you
yourself write upon that
subject? If you be in want
of the preliminary supply, it
will perhaps be proper to
notice this said suit.

I remain, dear Sir,
very truly yours,

Jan. 2, 1815

Yours,

J. S. Home
My dear Sir,

I have this instant received two letters from Granada, in one of which the enclosed was laid aside in order that I might peruse it which I have done. He empowers me to advance you some money if you require it, you will therefore consider the subject and inform me of your determination, as I shall soon have funds in hand, several of his bills upon London being nearly due. I hear nothing from Mr. Field of Ashburnham House, I think the several!! words forgotten has promisely the terms of which I do not perfectly understand, but we shall gain nothing in that quarter unless you send by a few lines from an attorney. I do further hedges from Mr. Howard respecting the sale of the domains. Pray let me hear from you and acknowledge the receipt of this with the enclosed. William strongly invites you to write to him, and I trust you will do so very
Perhaps you will write by the next packet and send the letter to me as I shall include it in mine.

I remain, Dear Sir,
very truly yours,

Mr. Frame

Dr. Dimmick
Dr. Dimwiddie
No. 37, Richard Street
Pentonville
Dear Sir,

Agreeably to your request I called on Mr. Howard two days ago, and communicated to him your intention of disposing of the annuity. He said that he would take the first opportunity to sell it, and made no doubt but that he should succeed. In regard to the half year's payment, due 23 last, he told me that I could not receive it before next Wednesday. As I may probably be out of town then, I think it proper to tell you lest you be disappointed—I shall certainly lose no time on my return to receive and remit it into your hands. I trust you are pleased with your new habitation—the only thing I regret is the distance, otherwise I should have sent this by my old young trusty messenger, George. Yours very sincerely

J. S. Flume

Long Acre, Aug. 5, 1814
April 7, 1814

My dear Sir,

I have just received a letter from your nephew William Jardine, from which I shall transcribe the following passage. Speaking of you he says—"I shall write to him positively by next packet and make my best respects to him and tell him that I expect to have the pleasure of hearing from him soon, and that he need not be offended at my not having written to him before— that he must take good care of the two children and do with them as he thinks best." He then repeats a message that I must set his brother, David, have 15$ this year instead of five—and he desires that you may give in his name as much for the use of the Tinswald School as you yourself have subscribed. I shall send...
Send George with this, and if he finds you at leisure he may profit by your instructions neglecting the rules for Decimals.

I remain, Dear Sir,

Very truly yours,

Apr. 7, 1814

J.S. Stowe

P.S. Gardiner's Letter is dated Feb. 22.
March 20, 1813

Memorandum.

Took this receipt in
J. Donaghde 
Barrow
J. Mc. Donan.

D. Dinwiddie to J. H. Finne

Jan. 11. To T. 64 - Cash - Bank Note. 2
Jan. 11. By Letter. 2

24. To Cash - Bank Note. 30
30. Paid to Royal South in July, 15, 2

1813

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5. 4
6. 5
237. 7 10%.

1812. Sept. 8. By interest on Mr. Ewing's note. 10. 0 0
1813. Jan. 28. By annuity paid by Mr. Howard. 43. 14. 10
2. 2
June 15. By note on Mr. J. Smith. 100. 0 0
Sept. 25. By Cash from Mr. Howard. 43. 14. 10
3. 14. 10

[Debit the above debt and]

By Balance in favor of D. D.

Amount, 1818

Dear Sir,

My son will pay you

£50 for which you will favor me with a short letter as an acknowledgment and say the balance now due is 24 15.

Yours, J. H. Finne.
My dear Sir,

I find Mr. Fay's note for £100 is dated May 23, 1808, and at three years after date with interest. I trust you will not fail to procure the principal as well as interest, and likewise the £8 odd which you advanced for her in advertising. I send George with this with a view of his getting a leaf out of your book in respect to a proper knowledge of decimal fractions.

Yours very truly,

G. J. St. Pierre

Feb. 12, 1814
Dear Sir,

Receive from George 85.2.0 for which please to give me the usual acknowledgement, and a list of items.

May give the boy a few hints and rules in decimal arithmetic for which purpose I can spare him for an hour or more.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Long Acre
Jan. 23, 1814

[Address]

Dr.irimd incorporate

[Address]

20 Mortimer Street
Jan. 28 - 1814

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17.1.
My dear Sir,

Your letter of 18th instant with a bill on Lord H. for £100 enclosed are safe in my hands. I shall not wait for its acceptance, believing there will be nothing to fear on that score, and when due I shall receive and be ready to pay you the same. I think apart from your respecting looking to take in the post place your old residence at Bemps if it is vacant, and toward the end of Autumn both, and for another year to the Royal Institution. I saw a letter from 25 Jany 1818 dated April 15 speaking of Burney, he says he has not heard from that quarter for at least a year. It does not appear that he had heard from you at the above date. I am glad to find you have determined to try London another Winter. I sincerely hope it will be to your advantage both in regard to your health and other happiness. I shall do nothing with Howard until you arrive, indeed at this moment I do not recollect when the annuity is due, nor is this of consequence as
as you do not want it before you be in London. I wish you could continue to transfer all other annuities into the govern-ment funds, as at this moment you must be a gainer by the chance. This proposal will be better considered when you come to our neighborhood. As I have acted upon the power of attorney respecting Howard it will probably be requisite that I should continue to receive that and all other sums, otherwise the power I oppress will become void. I shall write tomorrow to Mr. Jordan and give him your history at least, as good letter does not enable me to say anything respecting his son or any other branch of the family. Mr. James and all the boys are at Brighton, they set off early in May and propose to stay till October, all are well. They can be praised. I am in a most violent passion at your threats— you shall be assured I shall be ready. The pistols are brushing up— new flints and dry gunpowder. Send me a line, therefore. Sir, be upon your guard, para-tus esto!!! I am, however, still yours,

[Signature]
April 17, 1813

My dear Sir,

With this you will receive the card and letter from Mr. Sanders, also such of the cards of the Royal Institution as I had saved for you nearly to send that one or two are missing. In particular Mr. Sanders's introductory speech I shall probably recover from in some part of my papers or perhaps from Mr. Sanders. I have already had the power to call with your letter, but I was unfortunately not at the time, otherwise I should have been glad to have him for I never ask him respecting your previous matters at J. Fairchild's.

Wishing your letter urging from to accept your invitation and visit this native land with letters sent off and will be conveyed by the 23 mail of this month. I believe I have already informed you that your first part of the ticket amount a piece for which I always received 10 shillings. The second time is a thank you from me Caroline must still remain in a quarter. Your annual contribution to the Royal Institution was duly paid in January, of which I have the receipt. I hope that the next payment will be made by yourself and that you have made up your mind to make amongst us the cultivation of science to whom you cannot be considered as a dealer supporter. I send you copies of my letters written in defense of my claim suggesting the best for science which all my friends say I have managed well and done.
My adversaries through this past long while, few chemical tests have so perfect and delicate, I do not think silver and muriatic acid, of barytes and zephyrine acid, are equal to silver or arsenic, as reciprocal tests. You will do me the favor to practice the formula in any of the ways I have mentioned in these letters, and at your leisure favor me with your opinion. I will be no task to you, and you may instantly annul the reasons at least as well as any of the medical practitioners in the vicinity. Mr. Greene joins in best wishes for your health and happiness with Dear Sir,

Yours very truly

[Signature]
London February fiftieth 1813

To Sir William

Dumfries

T. Whitlam North Britain
Long Acre, Feb. 15, 1813

Dear Sir,

My daughter Caroline (not Jane) makes another attempt by purchasing another 1/6 in the present lottery. The number is One hundred and Seventy seven, which, though lower than the last, I hope will prove a higher prize.

As it is proper to acquaint you with the number before it is drawn, I have procured a frank for the purpose in order that I may enclose some of my letters occasioned by Doctors Roget and Moret. Having encroached upon your rights as an inventor, I have reason to believe they are sorry, and ask themselves for what they passed on one side during the controversy. I shall send you the remaining letters of mine by some future opportunity. As I was obliged to write both in the Philos. Magazin and Medical Journals, you will find probably two letters upon the same subject and consequently the language nearly alike. I shall, however, continue to send you the whole, and you can at your leisure give me your opinion of them. I trust this will find you in still better health. For though you gave me reason to think you were improved, you did not acknowledge yourself to be quite well. Adieu and believe me to be very sincerely,

Yours,

J. H. Barne
Long Rowe, Jan. 29, 1813.

Dear Sir,

The enclosed is a Bank Post Bill for ninety five pounds two shillings being the amount of Jardine's annuities and a remittance of thirty pounds on your account. You will have the goodness to acknowledge the receipt of this Bill by the return of post and mention whether (as is usually what you require) and according to the following items, viz.

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On your own order, as ordered in your letter of 6th inst.

Amount of Bank Post Bill 75. 2. 0.

I have received the annuity from Mr. Jardine for 43. 14. 10 which I have placed to your credit.
I have also received 10/ from Mr. Fry as two
years interest on the note for 10/ with the
interest, and that he will
not be long before the pay off her whole debt
to you. I shall write to you by the first post,
which will include your instructions respecting
the cards of the Royal Institution,
and that I hope will
immediately follow. I trust that with Mr. Anderson's aid
we shall procure all the proper cards also.

In my last letter to you I told you that that
Mr. Anderson, being at 360, told me
that your cousin will probably acknowledge its
receipt to you.

I have not written to George about this yet; he is
determined to remain here till Christmas,
and then we mean to place him with some
other masters for two or three years if one can
be found who will take him in those terms.

Your Lottery ticket has been examined
at one of five, and proved to be a piece
of only fifteen pounds. Therefore, I fear
that you cannot yet marry my daughter
Jane, and that she must wait another year
for a 20,000. Mr. Penrose and Mr. Rempecly
are with Jane's join in best wishes to you, with
Dear Sir,

Yours truly,

Joseph.
Dear Sir,

I write this to prevent your being disappointed at not receiving the remittance so regularly as you seemed to expect. The truth is, that Mr. Wood tells me, that 21 days are allowed after the mortgage becomes due, in order to give time to write into the country, but that he makes no doubt that I shall receive it in a day or two.

I shall, therefore, send Dr. Davenport’s agreements annexed till I can send yours also. I have paid the 6.6. to Mr. Jno. Moore for John Anderson. I fear your lottery ticket was not a 20,000—but I have not yet enquired.

Do not answer this—I am very tired.

Yours,

Jos. Thorne
Jan. 11, 1813

Long Acre, Jan. 11, 1813

Dear Sir,

Know that I am assured that you are to be found, and that you have not yet paid over respect to Master Chalmers. I shall address a few lines to yourself.

As soon as I shall receive 50½ dividends and the money due to you on the mortgage, I shall send you a Bank Note, Bill of the amount of what I shall transmit to the usual annuities, according to your statement and your own judgment.

It would indeed have wanted till that period, but that it is proper to acquaint you with the number of the shares of a lottery ticket which I have purchased for you; before it shall be drawn. There you will perceive that it is "Ten thousand two hundred and twenty-three." As this was chosen by my daughter Caroline, the least you can do, short indeed, is to offer her your hand in marriage. Let me add that you'll have been paid your W.R., and that it is always prudent to reserve one of some kind to other steady accounts, however young or healthy.
Long Acre, London, Jan. 6, 1813

Sir,

When my good friend Dr. Dismaldee left London, it was agreed between us that I should not write to him till a letter should arrive here from Dumfries—but as the time draws near when the usual annual remittance of money on Doctor Jardine's account must be made, I am anxious to know to whom I ought to send it. Will you, therefore, request the Doctor to favor me with a line or two—and let him mention if any more be wanted than the usual sum, for Doctor Jardine has left it entirely to his discretion to have more if it be required, particularly on account of the boys. I shall hope for an answer to this letter from the Doctor of yourself, by return of post—and shall be glad to hear good accounts of my good friend's health. With my best wishes to him I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. S. Symes
Dear Sir,

I suppose I shall be right in addressing this “Mr. J. Pennyfoot Bank Rowell Dennis” and to give the £6 6s. for Anderson, into your hands.

I shall, as you desire, add 3£ for your account, making the Bank Post Bill £6 6s. 15d.

Jan 21, 1812

Yours,

J. Hume
Long Acre, Nov. 25, 1803.

Dear Sir,

Yours of 14 March and another for your nephew Mr. Jardine were delivered to one by Mr. Barclay of the Navy Pay Office who informs me that you have at last determined to return to Placentia and that you propose to come by the Mangies, which Mr. Reid says are damaged. Your letter to Dr. Jardine was immediately put into the post office for the West India Mail than about to be dispatched and has probably by this time been safely received. I have every reason to believe you are happy and doing very well, and in perhaps already independent—he is certainly a very steady fellow and has one excellent property amongst men, that of being always attentive to his mother and indeed to all his relations—by his orders I regularly send an annual pensionary supply to his mother and the last I sent was accompanied by 20£ for the use of your daughter. Doctor Jardine is the 2nd cousin of the medical man who attends me in that part of the world, and which, in your future address to him, you will please to observe, has never made me mention of leaving him part of the world till in the last letter dated 17th.

P.S. I ought to say that there is a balance in my hands in your favor of about £5.
...last part when he says, "I am in hopes that in about twelve months I shall be able to take a trip to England. I am now in want of a little London, having lived in a hot climate before. I have been very weary for a considerable time about the end of last year and beginning of this, though now perfectly recovered. It is therefore very likely that when you arrive in England the climate may be less harmful, as you will be in a country that will both have good weather and be satisfied with having abroad. Whether or not I shall be able to join you in my laboratory or carry on my work is the case at present, and how long it is not for one to determine. I am sorry there was any misconception of your orders respecting the supply of glass and instruments. I do not need these cuts, but something in favor of drinking glasses more than others. They may be sufficiently useful if used in an equal way. The parts I cut are not to be cut for a chemical than that which is not preserved, since as they can be..."
London, July 8, 1802.

Dear Sir,

By the Arran, Capt. Wilson, I send you a box containing the following articles, which are all you requested except the oil of vitriol and one of the two parts, viz. Architecture V. of the Encyclopædia Brit. Neither of these books can now be procured, and I cannot persuade any of the ships owners to take the oil of vitriol. In the box you will find Vol. 2. in 2 parts of the supplement, which complete the work. 6 Botanical sects. 12 Black and Copper plates. 25 Botanical sects. 12 Glass cylinders. 25 Glass tubes (I preferred sending these, as they can be used as epidias, and to a chemist must think be very necessary) and more useful. There is also 1 quart of rectified spirit of wine. At present I shall say but little more than inform you that your letter to Mr. Johnson was safely received by me and is I hope long ago in his hands. I have written several letters to you, chiefly by private hands, but it does not appear by your

Yours most truly,

Dr. Home.
They have been only received indeed from most of your letters (excepting that of Aug. 30 and Dec. 1) it would appear that you were on the wing to return to England. You say you shall never be rich — I am rather surprised at this declaration and suppose you have not played your cards well in India, where even people of very shallow abilities make a good figure. Can you promise some private pupils, which would answer better perhaps than giving public instruction.

I know no method I can take to gain any intelligence respecting your daughter, and unless some of your friends in Scotland can inform you I know not how or to whom you can properly apply. You will send much useful matter in these two last parts of the supplement, particularly on some subjects that till lately have either been totally unknown or but little cultivated. The articles vegetable animal mineral, substances very well and ably maintained; and the notes several articles wonderfully interesting. I must prose to your advantage. As you propose to give me a huge list of chemicals, send you what you expect, you may rely upon doing you all manner of justice. I need not trouble you

that you will of course take me to Scott's house at some time. The respectable quantity for payments at such a distance in India it will require to be more circumstantial in attending to a letter than if the parties were near or at home. I did not quite comprehend what you meant by glass cylinders for experiments on chemical and glass spectacles — the former I have chosen such cylinders as we try experiments on the specific gravity of liquids by means of the hydrometer, and these will prove very useful in making a very great number of caps to pneumatic charms. And in conducting the V. The spectacles I presume are intended to fix as is the case with ebullions. The vases as it ascending gases from one vessel into another in Scott I know not how a chemist can do without a quantity of glass tubes. The last accounts from your nephew were very good as far as I can learn he is not married, but it is now a small thing for gentlemen in the West and also in the East Indies to do every thing but marry, perhaps you are on

This letter I intend to leave at Malay. David Scott V.C. and it will
My dear Sir,

With this you will receive eleven ½ Vol. of the Encyclopedia Brit. also the two last Vol. of a supplement which I believe is to be continued into a small volume containing the titles etc. These books would have been sent long ago had I been certain that you were to remain in India so long but in almost every one of your numerous letters you have mentioned the intention of visiting England on the next fleet, and of being gathered into your father's etc. As you in your last epistle did not say any thing about leaving India, I have ventured to purchase the books and here they are. I hope you will receive them safe. You will find much information in the supplement under the article Chemistry. Indeed this branch of science has been a late to very much improved that all the old books must be entirely rejected, or sent to our manufactory which has lately been sanctioned by Parliament. I mean that for extracting printing from paper, which is again returned to the mill for use. There are many of the new article, such as tartric acid, tanning principle, new earths, new metals you will find mentioned in this supplement. Though I believe I have answered all your letters in the few I have written, yet I shall in this make some recapitulation of what I have already said. Your bill of exchange on Mr. David Scott Esq. dated 13th. July 1797 for £140 was duly honored, and that sum remitted to Capt. Lee. Chapman agreeably to your instructions to me. He sent me a letter acknowledging the receipt and enclosing two receipts from Mr. Paterson & another. I was very desirous to hear such accounts from you respecting Capt. Price's behaviour, and of the disastrous fate of the nitrous acid. I very much regretted this loss, as I had taken great pains to make the acid strong and pure; and though it
Mr. P. H. N
29th August 1800

Dor. Dinawdawie
Calcutta
the substances, oil, &c. and particularly on chemistry
are given during the winter and spring months. It
is upon a very extensive scale. There is at this
moment building a very large lecture room, an
exhibition of which is particularly grand and
admirable. The subscriptions are very
numerous and respectable — for 20 guineas one
person is admitted to attend lectures for life, and
for 20 guineas a person may be a proprietor, being
first balloted for.
There is an extraordinary manufactory just establishing
between Bath & Bristol for converting all kinds of animal
flesh, whether of the sea, the earth or the air, into fat or
vegetable oil. You have probably heard of this and
may know that this conversion is brought about by
nutrion acid, water, and other means. If you immerse
a dead animal in a running stream of water for some
time, the whole muscular part the cartilage, &c. will be
changed into fat or a species of grease, which can be
rendered very pure & fit for soap, candles &c.
I have heard nothing of the parcel with
the treaties on music, which you sent
to my care — indeed, our time is too
small occupied to allow me to inquire
after anything; on this account I could wish that
whatever you may send to my care should be
delivered to me. I hope Dr. Purdie will take care to
send the music books, as I have as yet heard nothing of
them.
I have lately heard from your worthy nephew,
Doctor Willard, at Grenada, and am
happy to say he is going on very prosperously. I have
every reason to think he is an honest upright fellow
and will do himself credit to the end of the chapter.
I do not know how my letters appear when they
reach England, but yours appear to be written with
very bad ink, or such as absorbs oxygen very rapidly
indeed, for they are almost invisible when I receive
them. I recommend you to make your ink with
a decoction of logwood, an ounce to a pint, and
add a little acetate of copper and brown sugar.
In one of your letters you mentioned that you
would mail some small remittance to me by
way of keeping things square, but if you have
no demand for chemicals &c. you need not trouble
yourself, as I believe there will be, after deducting
the
well stuffed with glass, yet I could defy any other accident to happen. When this or any other hemp is sent from a cold to a hot climate or expansion will naturally take place, and especially in this acid, which is apt to generate vitious gas. I cannot account for the oxidation of the phosphorus—what I sent was perfectly pure though made from bones, and the piece you mentioned to have had from Godfrey was certainly made from insipid sized wine. I have never tried it but would not phosphporus keep better in alcohol? One thing I must state to you, that phosphorus in water should be kept in a dark place, for the light assists it to decompose the water. Nevertheless the phosphorus may be oxidized it cannot be said, for I need not tell you it must have gained something by this change you complain of.

In respect to the investment of the glass. I can say nothing about its being damaged; for in that, and the circulating machine, with its pump receiver &c. I had nothing to do. I gave the books and other things I promised from them. Your bundle of Bengal newspapers was lately delivered to me and was immediately sent to Mr. W. Mayne at the Star Office, Carey Street, to whom I also delivered your letter. In respect to the chemicals I wrote to you some time ago stating my opinion and in what proportion I judged it interest in value opposed to the Spanish. On many accounts I do not think the oxy-muriatic acid at a fair test—probably its power (mean the cobalt) in dyeing a specific quantity of cloth and comparing this for colder and quantity with what has been dyed by the Spanish, would be a better and less objectionable mode. There are many things I think might be accomplished in India such as making of phosphorus, the nitric, salicylic, muriatic acids &c. &c. Surely the bones from the making of bone phosphporus would make phosphorus by means of calcination and decomposition with sulphuric acid. I suppose you are laughing at all this philosophic speculation. We have lately established in London, by royal authority the Royal Institution, where lectures on
Long Aire, London. Apr. 17, 1797.

Dear Sir,

By yours of July 8, 1796, I received a bill for 23½ on Mr. Hervey, which has been duly paid and placed to your credit. You then mentioned having written to my very lady in respect to your daughter by the Colombo lady Paton, I have not as I have never received any letter I can say anything about it. I have also received a letter from Mr. Mr. Anderson, Dunlop, containing two letters for you which shall be sent with this. I hope all the articles sent by the Lord Harewood are safely in your possession long before you receive this and that everything goes well with your usual approbation.

I do not think Captain Price to be much your friend in likewise charged so much as 43 3. 0 for the freight. I had from what you said to him, placed so much confidence in him, and it was not till everything was shipped that I discovered the error. In future I shall make my bargain before any thing is sent in future. By the account that sent you of the expenditure you will find a balance of £300 with £18 0 0 by that it is to be added the £350 sent you by the Lord Chelmsford, Dickinson a box of the finest Manganese containing 17 lbs which was shipped on board had on the ship, the essence of which and the total account in 200.
Dear Sir,

I take the liberty to recommend the bearer of this, Mr. Starff, to your notice, as a very worthy person, whose character will do honour to any recommendation. He has the misfortune to be deaf and dumb, having been taught to speak. He is one of our first master's pupils, and I doubt not he will succeed well in business, where he means to reside. Yesterday, I write a few lines to you by the power of the watchmaker, Mr. Wilson, whose care in the watchmaker's shop is very well. Mr. Wilson has in his charge the things you ordered from Dudley Adams, for which I have paid, as the money must be sent when he meets you. In my letter of Sept. 20th last, I understood as well as I could, every year you had failed to answer the questions as per my letter of Jan. 20th. I referred to Mr. Norton. He also wrote a very long letter on the subject. In that, Mr. Norton is offended, having been told that there were some other persons beside myself that you had applied to in response to the suit. He does not say nor show that the suit was ended, but I can pretty well see it. The person who had the Philpotts' case appears to be in prison. Norton has not been very much in his demand on Horton for the value of the apparatus, as the order to the opposite party is so extravagant that Norton will not make them. I never met with any of them, so much trouble. The order is quite at the order, as the order I have received in your former letter. It was then my desire to fulfill every wish of yours but I must say it is not in my power to accomplish everything you have mentioned. My own business requires the whole of my attention and really I could...
The assortment of books sent out in the P. M. packet will afford you every information in Chemistry. You will find the price of every book written with a pencil, as I have requested them to use pencil paper to pack with, and they advised the whole to be put into a leather trunk, which will fit a good size at the mouth. The drawings of steam engines by N. Wood are in the same trunk with the books.

I am, very sincerely yours,

[Signature]
26 May 1796

My Dearest

26 May

Accidents drawn from such Virtue will consequently continue to
produce marine acid. Now there are many ways to purify the
vitriolic acid, perhaps by silver in the male sexual way,
and in a minute. I should think the best way. The
luna concave may be easily reduced, either by mixing
it with red heat and giving it a gentle heat in
a crucible, or mixing it very intimately with vitriolic
ash, and fluxing the mixture in a crucible lined
with charcoal and clay. If the vitriolic acid be
carefully added to the mixture there will be more of
that acid come over with that of the wine in the
reduction over they chiefly use iron pots, and the
reduction decomposes the vitriolic into green nitrate
in such pots to which they pour a copper head with
one or two necks or lessons to it, to distilling
options, and the first runnings which are green
with oxide, contain all the marine acid, except
all of a little cold water be placed in the receivers.
AFTER the greatest part of what follows is Prison
acid through the nature it unites—towards the
very end of the operation when the heat is much
adulterated, the vitriolic acid is apt to come over
all the receivers you make to me concerning refining
must be carefully good, and tinctures have been
confined to a copper tower. I gave it to me. Indeed,
and I found it to be full of information. And
and one I write all the same time were just not
the post office at the India House. flamin
there is too hot in preparing these at any
in the partition purely, and if tea salt be used, I find
the luna concave being reduced carefully as above.
Vegetable alkaline
Mineral alkaline
Sympatelic salt
Perfuses of Lime
Perfuses of Phosphates of Potash
Muriate of Baryta
Muriate of Epsom
Oxycarbonated Muriate of
Phosphates

Tar mixture of Gall
the W. alkaline
Turpentine
Nitrate of Pyrites
acid of Sugar
Ceres, Sulphides
Nitrate of Bismuth
Nitrate of Arsenic

Wax
Nitrate of Antimony
Nitrate of Arsenic
2 4 Melting with Black Lead

2 Books from Newton
2 models of Surfaces from
Bellew

sands

Barge refined

Leases Tantars

Grain Sal Ammoniac
Sugar of Lead
Blue Vitriol

Powder for Setting
Mild Volatile alcalis
Litmus
Thermometer
Brazil wood
White Cork

While 1/2 of them Happen
2 small Wedgewood Basket mortars
Nitrate of Bismuth
Nitrate of Chalk
Magnesium powder

Sulphates
Cobalt one
Bismuth
Zinc

1:2 breadth
1:1 depth
1:6 height
2:2 breadth
1:6 depth
2:2 breadth
3:2 breadth
1:6 depth

One case contains 3 Bottles of vitriol
2:2 breadth
2:1 depth
1:6 height

One case contains 2 Bottles of Nitric acid
2:7 breadth
2:5 depth
1:6 height

I have written something similar to the above by a Mr. Newnott, pursuer of the
Lord Rockingham.

I remain, Dear Sir,
Yours sincerely,

J. Plane

Stated the left of silver will not be worth mentioning if you decompose with alkaline before that the
same be intimately mixed with the alkaline and water into a paste about 3 of alkaline to one of
water, and some more alkaline in turning the mass. I believe it is more convenient and requires less
heat to be done with red lead than with alkaline. I have
now several being PID that I wish to make soon and
shall, therefore, make haste to ascertain what I have
seen in the late H. Wests bury, where the books from Leigh Loftly and the goods from Mr. Adams, Helen tash.

Mr. Newnott, pursuer of the
Lord Rockingham.

1:2 breadth
1:2 depth
1:6 height
2:2 breadth
1:6 depth
2:2 breadth
3:2 breadth
1:6 depth

One case contains 2 Bottles of Nitric acid
2:7 breadth
2:5 depth
1:6 height

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Lord Rockingham.

I remain, Dear Sir,
Yours sincerely,

J. Plane
done by James Wood, Fleet Street. To whom I have paid ten guineas. Mr. C. has written it, they have put the price of each book on the blank sheet with a black lead pencil, which you can easily rub out with a piece of bread. By the same time are the various articles from Mr. Harman, at 8 Fleet Street for these I have otherwise paid my bill of $977 8. The books range from 30 to 120. I hope you have employed others in London to send you information concerning the present and impending war, and he appears to me to be very well pleased at the news of the man who has been in prison and demands an exorbitant price for which he thinks important to give. He says that all the airs may be returned without the use of others that you very well know how that is done. I do not know that you could make all of edition, you can do that you can easily make the 注意酸 in India where cotton is so cheap. This article had been extraordinarily dear in this country. I have paid over nine quarters for which makes the text. There are some opinions in respect to the quantity of nitric acid necessary to decompose nitrate of soda, which is more acid and more difficult to decompose, but the result is more plentiful and better. Notice that it is composed from the C. Indians always contain sea salt, the acid.

Dear Sir,

This I hope will be delivered to you by the power of the ablest man, Mr. Wilson, whom I wish had been fortunate to have known before I shipped your order. I believe it would have saved me very great deal of trouble and you some expense. By the Lord, the Stansbury boys. I have sent every thing for you, which you ordered that I thought proper to add, a list of which I shall add to these lines. Every thing was ready many months ago but I was obliged to keep them on account of the immense acid being prohibited; however, I have found means by changing the names, to get above 15% of quinones and nitric acid, and a few pounds of nitrate of soda. And I known what trouble and anxiety of mind the execution of your orders would have occasioned. Certainly I would never have engaged in it and it is a great regret to me that I was not told sooner to make use of David Belting to give you good reports to inform you of every thing, and that the goods would not sail before his month at present, as had engaged as he knew you that he would settle with you in India. I have found myself with much money to spare than usual.
years will be left—Mr. Waters, partner of the 25th, has sent me a bill for 43.3.0 for the freight which, at the moment is not paid, nor do I mean it should till I hear from bust price to whom I have written. It would have been better managed, and the goods shipped sooner, there is one fleet sailer about a week ago, and the last will probably sail in a short time as I had no orders from you to inquire, and to Mr. Wilson, the bearer, I said you might address them by any more to pay the said and second settle it. I have been favoured with a number of letters from you all of which contain orders to very different the number and quantity of the articles that I have been at a loss to act. I have therefore added more by my own judgment than the contents of your letter, which I hope you will readily allow me to, as you know the reason—makers have to much to pay, were it in my power to spare the time that a great many chemists would be well paid for all the chemical questions that I have an answer when I have a command in my letter, which may require to be answered in the books which I am unable to get any information from the practical people I am except baron who write to you any thing is known in the country. Doctor also sent two boxes and two models of furnaces, which are in the box with the chemical.
Madam,

I am requested by Mr. Adams, widow of the late Mr. Adams, on the books he ordered, which, for particular reasons, I purchased of Mr. Leigh & Tottham. There are besides these four cases containing chemicides of which I shall only join a list in this sheet, for I think every opportunity should be taken to acquaint you with particular articles as well as other commodities send by correspondence previously. I shall take other occasions to write to you now that every thing is charged which I mean to go with this fleet. Please to observe that Mr. Leigh & Tottham have marked with a pencil, which may be easily rubbed off the price on every book, but you may take it on to sell them. I hope proper paper was necessary to pack the books, for it seem they might be packed with flotting paper, both red & yellow. After you join order for chemicides was completed and that in many months ago I was obliged to unpack every thing in order to keep back the acids, which at that time, I did not know were prohibited - I have
I have, however, continued to send above 170 of nitric acid and new 30 to vitriolic acid — you will observe 11 large bottles with nitric acid, labelled "Per Nitricus". I have also 3 large bottles of vitriolic acid, labelled "Per Sulphuricus". Any further quantities might have been examined in the chest with the latter are J. Wood's plans of the steam engines. I enclose here a letter from him on the matter.

I am not sure whether I must pay the freight of all your goods, if so, it will amount to the 30th on board of the Arctic steamer, Capt. Phillips are the articles from Dudley Adams, I have had them also from Mr. Adams, High Street, and the books from Mr. Adams. I have paid for them all.

If I do not pay the freight, I shall have near 500 for your goods under Art. 300 L. It would have saved an immense deal of trouble to me had I known this. I have been in London, and there in the house of David Scott & Co. where the shipping part of the business. I have so much to say that I must write various letters for why time so indeed very much occupied in business. I shall here in question which are not from me. I believe this will be conveyed by a Mr. Shobt, pursuer of the Lord Rochingham, Angus, Lindsey.

Yours most sincerely,

[Signature]

[Diagram with measurements]