

# Mint report on Mr Weddel's claim for expenses incurred in the prosecution of coiners

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To the Most Honourable the Earl of Oxford & Earl Mortimer Lord High Treasurer of Great Britain

May it please your Lordship

In Obedience to your Lordships order of reference upon the Bills of m<sup>r</sup>. Rob<sup>t</sup>. Weddel for prosecuting Coyners during the space of Nineteen Months ending last Christmas was a Twelve Month, and upon the Memorial of the Warden of the Mint concerning the same, wee have considered the Services alledged to be done & Examined the reasonableness of the said Bills, & humbly Represent to your Lordship that the services so farr as we can find were done, & allowing to m<sup>r</sup>. Weddel for Travelling Charging 6<sup>d</sup> per Mile, 2<sup>sh</sup>: per post stage & 15<sup>sh</sup>: per day abroad, as was settled by the late Lord Treasurer & allowed alsoe by the late Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, & to the Men who assisted him in apprehending & prosecuting Criminalls 6<sup>sh</sup>. 6<sup>d</sup> per day for each man & Horse during their Journeys: the Travelling charges amount unto £186. 12. 6. which with m<sup>r</sup>. Weddels salary, a bill of m<sup>r</sup>. Fords, the Fees of receiving the Money allowed upon the last account, & the Charges of a Law suite which a Coyner upon the pricy seal, make up the sume of 337<sup>li</sup>. 1<sup>sh</sup>. 6<sup>d</sup>, which wee humbly think reasonable to be allowed.

That there are other Charges which admitt of no vouchers or strickt Examination, whereof the Fees of Councell & other court charges upon the Tryalls of persons (Viz<sup>t</sup> for Indictments swearing of Wittnesses attending with Records &c<sup>a</sup>) amount unto about £62: 10, And these charges being necessary for the carrying on the prosecutions we are humbly of opinion that the Prosecutors account of them, where nothing appears False or unreasonable should be accepted

And the Maintenance of Wittnesses during their attendance on Courts of Iustice, & Pocket Expences in apprehending and Examining people accused and in attending on Iudges and Iustices of the Peace and paying for their Warrants and for stationary ware and Post Letters, amount further to about 68<sup>li</sup>

But Considering that about one half of the Money set down in m<sup>r</sup>. Weddels account hath been advanced by him without Intrest for Carrying on the Prosecutions, and that the Charges of receiving the Money due upon this account are not sett down therein, both which may amount to above 40<sup>li</sup>, and that m<sup>r</sup> Weddel <104v> Was a very good Prosecutor, and if Prosecutors be discouragd they may be Induced to Pay themselves by

taking mony for favouring or protecting Coyners. wee are humbly of opinion that the Bills of m<sup>r</sup>. Weddel amounting in the whole to 467<sup>li</sup>: 15: 2, be allowed.

All which we most humbly submitt to  
you Lordships Great Wisdom

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Officers {of the} Mint report

On M<sup>rs</sup>. Weddells petition for charges  
of prosecuting Coyners.

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