

Letter from Newton to Edmund Halley, dated 14 March 1696/7

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Sir

I understand that a report has been sometime spreading among the Fellows of the Royal Society as if I was about the Longitude at Sea. For putting a stop to that report pray do me the favour to acquaint them (as you have occasion) that I am not about it. And if the rumour of preferment for me in the Mint should hereafter upon the death of M^r Hoar or any other occasion be revived, I pray that you would endeavour to obviate it by acquainting your friends that I neither put in for any place in the Mint nor would meddle with M^r Hoar's place were it offered me. You will thereby oblige

Your most humble and
most obedient Servant

Is. Newton.

Cambridge. Mar. 14
1696.

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For M^r Edmund Halley at
M^r Coxall's in Packers Court
in Collman-street in

London.
