## Covering letter for MINT00554 (/catalogue/record/MINT00554) (Mint 19/2/516) with explanatory notes.

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May it please your Lordship

In obedience to your Lordships verbal order, I humbly lay before your Lordship an account of the plate brought into the Mint between the  $15^{th}$  of May & the  $19^{th}$  of Iune inclusively amounts to  $7940^{lw}$   $4^{oz}$   $8^{dw}$   $1^{gr}$  which after the rate of  $5^s$   $2^d$  per ounce will make the summ  $24615^{li}$ .  $2^s$ .  $8^d \frac{4}{5}$ .

The receipts given for Plate brought into the Mint before the  $15^{th}$  of May amount unto  $48845^{li}$ .  $11^s$ .  $8^d \frac{3}{4}$ , & the Plate was melted into 19 Ingots & made  $14640^{lw}$ . 1. 12. 6 of standard silver besides what remaines in the sweep.

The receipts given for Plate brought into the Mint from the  $15^{th}$  day of May to the  $19^{th}$  day of Iune inclusive amount unto 26564. 18. 6. & the Plate was melted into 97 Ingots & made  $7940^{lw^t}$ .  $4^{oz}$ .  $8^{dw^t}$ .  $1^{gr}$  of standard silver besides what remaines in the sweep. This standard silver after the rate of  $5^s$   $2^d$  per ounce will made 24615. 2.  $8^{\frac{1}{4}}$  of new monies which being deducted from the summ f the receipts leaves a loss of  $1949^{li}$ .  $15^s$ .  $10^d$ 

These have been brought into the Mint since the  $19^{th}$  of Iune  $3620\frac{1}{2}$  ounces of Plate old standard & ounces of plate which after the rrate of  $5^s$   $5^d$  old &  $5^s$   $8^d$  new will amount unto  $1405^{li}$ .  $11^s$ . 00 & the silver will make about 1300 pounds of new money in tale. but this is not yet melted nor are any receipts given for it excepting for about 300 ounces. I pray your Lordships directions whether this Plate shall be coyned or returned to the owners.

The silver to be got out of the sweep will exceed all charges relating to the first melting & if your Lordship pleases to allow the melter after the rate of 5<sup>s</sup> per Ingot for battering the silver to fit it for the melting pot, & for melting it & making up the sweep, (which I account a reasonable allowance:) I shall be able to state the whole account to your Lordship so soon as the sweep is made up & the coinage finished.