

# Following a protest by the Irish Parliament against Wood's licence to coin, asks Newton to send an expert to Bristol to examine his coins.

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Sir

The Lords Committee of his Majestys most Honourable Privy Councill having had under their consideration the Representation made to his Majesty by the Parliament of Ireland against the Patent granted to M<sup>r</sup>: Wood for the Coining of Copper Halfpence and farthings for that Kingdom and having at the desire of the said M<sup>r</sup>: Wood been pleased to Order that an Essay should be immediately made of the Fineness value and Weight of the said Coynage and the goodness thereof Compared with the former Coinage of Copper money in the said Kingdome The Lords Commissioners of his Majestys Treasury desire You in their Lordship's names to depute some person whom you shall know to be skillfull in the Art of Essaying to make the said Essays and Comparison And also to inspect and see that the said Coynage be in all things conformable to the said Patent and the said person is to repair for that purpose with all Convenient Speed to Bristoll where the said Mr. Woods Office for the said Copper Coynage is kept And their Lordship's desire you to furnish him with all such Instrucccons's as you shall think proper for this Service and to let him know that their Lordship's will gratifye him for his trouble and charges therein in such manner as you shall think reasonable I am

Sir

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Your most humble Servant

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[2] Sir Isaac Newton