The articles ordered for the Edinburgh Mint have been embarked, all except the weights and seals, as authorisation to mark the weights has not yet been given: request for such authorisation.

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To the Right Honourable the Earl of Godolphin Lord High Treasurer.

May it please your Lordship

The things directed by your Lordship to be provided by us for her Majestys Mint in Scotland are put on board to be sent thither, excepting the weights & scales which are already made, but the weights are not yet sized for want of authority to make & mark the standard weights.

We therefore humbly desire her Majestys Order may be directed to the Warden of this Mint to make two exact Piles of Standard weights & to examin & mark them with the new mark before the Officers of this Mint & to deliver one of the Piles to the General of the Mint of Scotland by Bill indented according to the directions of the Indenture of this Mint.

And we further lay before your Lordship that for setting on foot the coynage in Scotland it will be convenient that the Lord Chancellour of great Britain do summon a jury of Goldsmiths to make six new indented Trial pieces of crown gold & as many of standard silver to be delivered as has been usual: two of which are to be sent into Scotland as we mentioned to your Lordship in a former memorial.

All which is most humbly submitted to your Lordships great wisdome.

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[1] Mint Office 26 May. 1707.