

Copy of Newton's response to order for gold and silver medals for the coronation

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To the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council appointed to consider of his Majesties Coronation.

May it please your Lordships

I have according to your Lordships Order prepared Drafts of Gold & Silver Medals of the Kings Majesty to be distributed on the day of his Majesties Coronation, & herewith present the same to your Lordship. The form of his Majesties face is taken from a Medall made in Germany: but Medals made there by different Gravers are not like one another. The designe on the Reverse relates to his Majestys accession to the Throne on account of Religion, & represents him Defender of the faith contained in the Scriptures, & that the Bible is still open to the people: & according to the manner of the ancient Medals of the Greeks & Romans which are accounted the best it is grave, proper simple & free from reflections & difficult to be reflected upon

All which is most humbly submitted to your

Lordships greate Wisdom.

Isaac Newton

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