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To the Right Honourable the Earl of Oxford and Earl Mortimer, Lord High Treasurer of  
great Britain.

May it please your Lordship

The Smith of the Mint being my servant by the ancient constitution of the Mint, & being paid by me after the rate of one penny per pound weight of gold coined & one farthing per pound weight of silver coined, & having also a salary of 50 pounds per annum appointed by the Indenture of the Mint: the last Smith for the sake of that salary was imposed upon me & behaved himself to me with great insolence. Whereupon a clause was inserted into the Schedule of Salaries at the end of the Indenture of the Mint, for the ceasing of that salary upon the next voidance of the place, & the place becoming void before last Christmas, the salary is now ceased in order to a new settlement. I humbly pray therefore that such a new salary may be settled as your Lordship shall think fit & in such a manner that I may have power over the smith as my servant for carrying on the coinage & dismis him if he be not of good {abearing} according to the meaning of the Indenture of the Mint Which may be done by appointing the salary to me for a Smith.

All which is most humbly submitted to your Lordships great

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