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To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majestys Treasury

May it please your Lordships

In obedience to your Lordships Order of Reference of May 26th last, upon the Petition of M^r William Hamilton for being restored to his Place in his Majestys Mint at Edinburgh: I humbly represent that he who had been Clerk of the Bullion for the Mint in Scotland before the Vnion of the two kingdoms & who by this Petition appears to be the Petitioner was upon the ceasing of that place by the Vnion, & in recompence for the loss thereof, made an Officer in the present Mint in Scotland with a Salary of 50^{li} per annum, that salary having been allowed him before as Clerk of the Bullion & I find him entred in the list of the Officers of that Mint annexed to the Indenture made between her late Majesty Queen Ann & Iohn Montgomery Es^r Master & Worker of that Mint in these words: To the Clerk of the Bullion, as Assistant to the Weigher & Teller & Surveyor of the Meltings fifty pounds per annum But that Indenture becoming void by the death of her said Majesty, & no grant of that place from his present Majesty being entred in the books of the Treasury, & it not appearing that he was alive nor what was his name: he was omitted in the Warrant lately directed to the General of that Mint for continuing the said Indenture in force. But since it now appears that he is alive, if in consideration of the services mentioned in his Petition his Majesty shall think fit to restore him to that place, it may be done by a Warrant under his Majestys signe Manual directed to the said General for supplying the omission in the late Warrant directed to him as above. All which &c

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In obedience to your Lordships order of Reference of 26 May last upon the Petition of William Hamilton for being restored to his Place in his Majestys Mint at Edinburgh: I humbly represent that I have heard & believe that the said M^r Hamilton came over from Holland with his late Majesty King W^m & continued in his service till the death of Queen Mary & that he afterwards purchased the Office of Clerk of the Bullion to that Mint & pursuant to that purchase had a grant thereof from the Crown, such a salary of 50^{li} per annum, & that he continued to execute that Office so long as the duty of the Bullion continued to be paialle into that Mint which was till the Vnion between the two kingdoms or a little after. And upon the ceasing of that office by

the Vnion he was recompensed for the loss of that place by being inserted into the Schedule of the Officers of that Mint by the name of Clerk of Bullion & by the Office of Assistant to the Weigher & Teller & Surveyor of the meltings with a Salary of fifty pounds per annum This schedule was annexed to the Indenture of that Mint and made between her late Majesty & M^r Montgomery Master & Worker. And upon the death of her said Majesty the Indenture becoming voyd, his place ceased And because that place was not intended to be perpetual byt was to cease with his life & it did not then appear that he was alive he was omitted in the late warrant directed to the General of that Mint for putting the Indenture in force & his case was left to be considered apart if he was still alive. If his Majesty upon the considerations above mentioned shall please to restore him to his Place of Assistant to the Surveyor of the meltings which his former salary of 50^{li} per annum either during pleasure or for life it may be done by a Warrant under a signe manual. And if his Majesty shall please also to lay this further duty upon him to keep an Account of all the Coynage Duty arising in Scotland & to pay to receive & pay the same or take case that the same be paid into his Majestys Exchequer as it ought to be by Act of Parliament, his Office will be usefull. All which &c.
