

# Holograph draft of a royal warrant authorising payment to vendors of 5s. an ounce with the balance to follow.

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Whereas upon the Votes & Address of o<sup>er</sup> Commons in Parliament assembled We did by Warrant under our Signe manual dated may 10 authorize & command the Warden Master & Comproller of our Mint in the Tower of London to take & receive from all persons & bodies politicks or corporate all such wrought Plate as they or any of them shall bring to our said Mint of the kinds & standards mentioned in the said votes & to give such receipts for the same as were desired in the said Address of our Commons & forthwith cause the same to be melted down & assayed, & that you the Master & Worker of our said Mint should immediately coin the same into schillings & six pences & pay the moneys produced into the receipt of o<sup>er</sup> Exchequer & tale Talleys for your ischarge, [And whereas the moneys coined out of so much of the said plate as hath been imported into our said Mint since the fourteenth day of June are not yet & due into the receipt of our Exchequer but may be paid to the importers of the plate Our will & pleasure is & We do hereby authorise & command you the said Master & Worker of our Mint to pay the said moneys to the importers of the said Plate or so much thereof as upon recconing or agreement shall appear to be due to each of them, anything in our said Warrant to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding And for so doing this shall be your Warrant.

And wheras in the Act of Parliament for the contribution of a summ not exceeding two millions entituled An Act for licensing & regulating Hakkney Coaches &c it is enacted that all & every the Receipts given for the Plate brought into the said Mint before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1711 shall be accepted & taken as so much money for contributions upon the said Act but no provision is made for accepting the Receipts dated on or after the said 15<sup>th</sup> day of May: [Our will & pleasure is & we do hereby authorise & commend you the said Master & Worker of o<sup>er</sup> Mint to pay unto each of the said Importers out the money couned out of their Plate imported on or after the said 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, after the rate of                      per ounce Troy untill further order, any thing in o<sup>er</sup> said former Warrant to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And for so doing this shall be unto you & all others concerned a sufficient Warrant. Given under.

Our will & pleasure is & we do hereby authorise & command you the said Master & Worker of our Mint to pay unto each of our loving subjects whose Receipts of Plate are dated on or after the said 15<sup>th</sup> day of May out of the new moneys arising from their said plate, the summ of five shillings per ounce Troy of the Plate received, & three pence per penny weight any thing in our said former Warrant to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And for so doing

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