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Mill Stones for Powder
Manufactories.

Reports of 1811 and 1812 by
Dr. McCulloch on his
search for suitable

limestones. The Ordnance

quarry in Lord Macdonald's
property in the Isle of Skye.

(1809-16)

Ordnance Correspondence
Laboratories

1816.

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L. B.
To remain for
W. W. Lubbock's use.
Porter 29 July 1844

Receiving & Answer
I was only a few days ago that
I had the Honor of receiving yours of the 7th Instant
on my return from Lord McDonald's Seat
in this Country and I have since then had
a conversation with his Lordship on the subject
of it. The expense of making the road to the
Marble quarry from the present line of the
Country road and to repair the latter so as to
be sufficient for the carriage of heavy weights
will not in my opinion exceed £200 Sterling
and in the conversation I had with his Lordship
respecting the Waggon and other articles which
were sent here for the purpose of carrying
on the Marble Work he authorized me to state
that the Board of Ordnance might receive them
at the price which they originally cost him
during the freight from London & also for the
implements &c

implements &c that have never been used and
for such as have been used his Lordship will
make the Board a present of them - As no
note of the expense was sent to me by his
Lordship's Agent in London it is impossible for
me to state exactly what their value may be
but I have of this date written Mr James
Stuart Esq. Broad Street Building Office
you with a state of them which I presume
may amount to about £600 or £700

The articles alluded to consists of two
cranes one of them, in particular appear to
be extremely sufficient two Waggon and two
Carts with some small tools - The cranes
have never been erected and one of the Waggon
and the carts were never used and the other
Waggon which his Lordship will complement to
the Board is as good as new

Should the Honble Board consider
the Original price of these articles too high
Yrs!

This Ladshup will willingly submit their value
to any Skillfull person It is however proper
to Observe that the Waggon's altho remarkably
strong and well finished are not in my opinion
of sufficient breadth for the Conveyance of
the Mill Stones but they might probably be
altered to answer the purpose of the Board
by an experienced Cart Wright and should
the work go on both the Cranes and the Carts
are absolutely requisite

I shall be happy to have the
Hearing from you when convenient and
I have the Honor to Remain

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Your most Obedt
John Macpherson

T. H. New Esq.

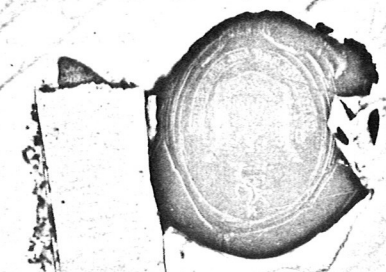
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London

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