

# On Her Majesty's Service

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Royal Powder Mills  
Waltham Abbey 23<sup>rd</sup> July  
1788.

Sir,

I received yours of the 21<sup>st</sup>. Instant,  
desiring a Plan of the Premises, formerly allotted  
to Philippa. & John Walton, lying in Barking  
Parish.

In answer I beg to acquaint you  
that I have no Superintendance, or connection with  
the Barking Purchase, neither do I know any  
thing of the Premises, therefore it is impossible  
for me to give directions, to any Person to draw  
out a Plan of the same. I have been told that  
Barking Magazine, belongs to three or four Persons,  
one part of which did belong to W<sup>r</sup> Walton, which  
now becomes the property of the Board, and I  
suppose is all that the Walton Family ever  
possessed in that place; but this is only opinion,  
for I cannot speak with any degree of certainty.

The Premises now in Question, are  
under the direction of Mr. Henry Forman, Clerk to  
the Comptroller of the Royal Laboratory at Woolwich.  
I now enclose for despatching Laboratory Slips.

I think that Mr. Forman can give  
you the necessary information, for as there is a Druggist  
man belonging to the Laboratory, it is very likely  
he can execute what you require.

I am  
Sir.

Your most Obedient

Humble Servt.

W<sup>r</sup> Walton lives in Wigmore Street  
Lavendish Square. J<sup>r</sup> Wright.

Robt Smith Esq;