

William Bymer Esq
London
Hon^{ble} Sir

Quebec 24th October 1764
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The marks of friendship shown
by many of my relations, but especially your
distinguishing kindness in condescending to take
upon you the charge of the Education of my
Sons now under your care, calls for my
most sincere acknowledgements, & for which I beg
you to accept my most grateful thanks. I
have at present to request your kind Offices in
an affair of the utmost Importance to me &
my children, & on which our Hopes of subsistence
wholly depends, and is to employ some proper
Person skilled in forms in the patent Office
to draw up a petition to His Majesty, praying
for a renewal of the patent granted to my
deceased Husband, for other fourteen years
from the expiration of the present, in my
name only, being administrated to my late
Husband the Inventor, which I have great
reason to hope will not be refused to me on
the following considerations. That my Husband
dying in a few months after obtaining the
patent, left me with five Orphans. That
the great Expence occurred in erecting Works
for carrying on such a manufactory before
the price could arise from it reduced my
resources so low, that without the assist-
ance of some friends I should have been brow-
beaten to the necessity of relinquishing the under-
taking altogether, and which advances I have

not yet been able to discharge and unless His
 Majesty shall be graciously pleased to grant my petition
 must entail ruin upon myself and children.
 small part of the Implements requisite for
 ing on the works, you know amounted in 1779
 than twelve hundred pounds Sterling, and the
 works together to no less a sum than eight
 thousand pounds. With respect to the expense
 of the renewal of the patent, I refer you to
 Johnston & Purp, who write to you by this
 conveyance. I beg you to make my love to
 Boys. That God may long continue you
 health to be a blessing to your friends, & grant
 eternal Happiness to the sincere prayer of

Hon^d Sir

Your much obliged humble

Signed) Anna Taylor

In which my three daughters
 beg leave to join me - signed

Anna Maria
 Hetty Martha
 Jean Harris

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