

Addressed to: William Brymer

From: James Johnston (for J & P)

Quebec 24th Oct^r 1786

W.B. Esq^r,

We observe what you say with respect to young Taylor. As we both grow old, & it requires some one of the family to be initiated early into the ess (?) business we have determined to send John to Edinburgh to be bound apprentice to some chymist there where he will have the advantage of attending Doctor Blacke (who is reported to be the ablest in that line at present in Europe) in lectures on that subject. Our friend Mr Adam Lymburner, who has some relations in Edinburgh, goes home in the Euretta, Captain Featonby, & is kind enough to take that charge upon him, & ease you of trouble with him. We are thoroughly sensible you have had too much already on their & our acco^{ts} for which a grateful remembrance is all we can at present offer. Mr Lymburner, whom we take the liberty to recommend to your acquaintance, you will find a sensible intelligent discreet young man & who can give you as faithful an acco^t of the state of the province, the trade & whatever relates to it as any man we know. To him we also refer you for news etc. Mr Harry Taylor we must request your notice of a little longer.

J & P