

Addressed to: Mr William Brymer, London

From: James Johnston (for J & P)

Quebec 16 July 1782

Mr William Brymer, London

Dear Sir,

In consequence of your friendly offers I send you (in the Quebec, Captain Boyd, in charge of our friend Captⁿ Robison) John Taylor for the best school education you can obtain for him in England (at any expence) preparative to his becoming in time a good man and compleat distiller, to which end could wish he may be completed in reading and writing well the English & French tongues, and all the practical parts of arithmetic and book keeping. He may hereafter be taught the first six books of Euclid's Elements, Trigonometry & Geometry, with other inferior branches of the mathematics, which are proper to facilitate the study of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry. I beg you as my friend to give particular and positive direction to his master that none of his time be murdered in Latin, or any other dead & useless language.

I have among many other favours to thank you for the honourable & friendly motives that induced you becoming a ready volunteer in forwarding my brother's son in law and approve of the money advanced being placed to my debit, yet am under the necessity of leaving the gentleman to his own oars in order to check the absurd liberty my brother may continue to take both with you and me. Please to pay to Captain Boyd & Mr Robison what charges they may bring on acco^t of young Taylor and place to acco^t of

Dear Sir, your sincere friend & hble serv^t

James Johnston