Addressed to: John & Henry Taylor

From: J & P

Quebec 9th Nov^r 1786

$J \& H T^r$

D^r Boys,

Your short epistles this summer gave us very sensible pleasure as being well wrote & declaring your resolution to improve to the utmost the fair opportunity we give you of a good education under the care of so kind a friend and so able a master. Having since your worthy father's death, with much care and attention & some difficulty, improved and established his noble invention of the Essence of Spruce for making beer so as to maintain his family in a comfortable and creditable manner hitherto, and having built such a manufactory as we think with equal care and diligence on your syde cannot fail of affording you a very genteel livelihood, we have with that view resolved this year to send John apprentice to a druggist in Edinburgh who will permit him to attend public lectures on chemistry the last three years of his time. The execution of this business Mr Adam Lymbourner our worthy friend, who has an uncle a lawyer living there, has kindly undertaken and will take John with him to Edinburgh and do the needful on our account, so that it will remain with John on his part by giving steady and diligent attention to become a perfect master of and to shine in his profession. This proof of our care and good will towards you both we hope will likewise prove an effectual spur to Harry's wise resolution of improving to the utmost of his power the opportunity of a good and capable master he enjoys for his education, in that case a few years more must certainly qualify him to be sent to learn business also. Your improvement and prosperity be assured will ever afford the highest pleasure to

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Your affectionate friends & hble serv^{ts}