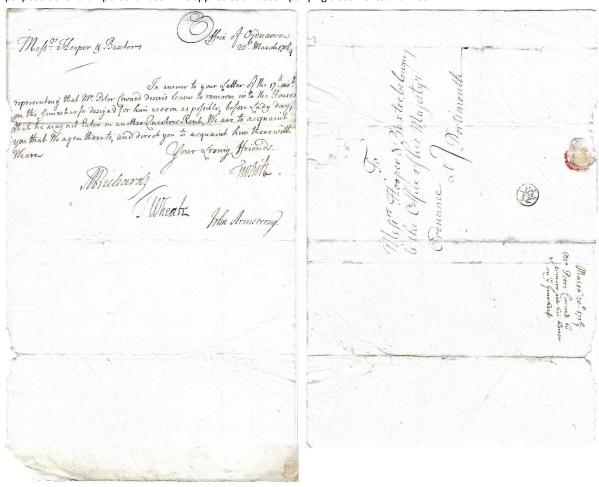
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March 20<sup>th</sup> 1718/9 M<sup>r</sup> Peter Coward to to move into his house On y<sup>e</sup> Gunnwharfe

Date stamped 21/MR

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Mess<sup>rs</sup> Hooper & Baxter, belonging To the Office of His Majesty's Ordnance at Portsmouth

> Office of Ordnance 20<sup>th</sup> March 1718/9

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Hooper & Baxter

In answer to your letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> in<sup>st</sup> representing that Mr Peter Coward desires leave to remove into the house on the Gunwharfe design'd for him as soon as possible, before Lady Day, that he may not Enter on another Quarter's Rent, We are to acquaint you that We agree thereto, and direct you to acquaint him there with

We are

Your loving friends

M Richards

T White

T Wheate

John Armstrong

Lady Day is the traditional name in some Englishspeaking countries of the Feast of the Annunciation, which is celebrated on 25 March.