

Dear Sir?

8 Aug 1719

Your is before me & am
glad you see well approv^d of ledgers
I hope you doe the same by y^e Abstracts
whereby I propos'd saving you some trouble
& hope you'll send up Land & Sea Services
distinct, my time has not given leave to
consult M^r. Harison's Office

A Gent^l from Brig^l. Vesty was
with me but my Acc^t. does not answer
therefore should be glad you could direct me
any o^r way wherein I send you an answer

I am little acqu^t. wth M^r. Mackler
but shall endeavour to serve you there
as much as I can, I wish you all well
& am

Your affect^d Sr. W^m.
Howland

M^r Row^d Gibson
The 8th of August 1719

Date stamped AU/8

To
M^r John Baxter
at the Office of Ordnance
Portsmouth

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William Harrison - officer of
the Office of Ordnance
Tower of London

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Your affect & hr^d serv^t

Row^d Gibson

See also 17190622 request for accounts



The lettering on this seal says
"CAROLOUS I" = Charles 1st.
This presents an issue as Charles
1st was beheaded 70 years before
the document was written, but
there is little doubt that this is
what is depicted, one can even
make out a passing likeness to the
king's bust.
A Carolous was also a coin minted
in the reign of Charles 1st.
It may be that this seal was made
using a signate ring that had been
handed down to it's owner,
Presumably the author Rowland
Gibson.