

Colonel Notham

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Colonel Notham esteems it His Duty most humbly to acquaint His Majesty, that Mr. Hemming has now a small second hand Service of Plate by Him, in very good Condition. Two Dishes only are wanting, which can easily be supplied; & the whole may be ready in a few Days. - It will consist of One Tureen & Cover, Eighteen Dishes of different Sizes, & Four Dozen Plates; which is nearly the same Number as Admiral Barringtons; the Weight about Twelve Hundred Ounces; & the Cost, supposing Prompt Payment, about Four Hundred & Fifteen Pounds, exclusive of the Engraving the Arms or Crest.

Colonel Notham has seen the Service; & though it is certainly what is called a Light Service, yet it appears to Him very tolerably substantial; & excepting the Tureen, has no other Ornament but a plain Bead at the Rim of the Dishes & Plates.

Should His Royal Highness, after using it some time, disapprove it for any Reason, Mr. Hemming is willing to take it back again at a moderate Charge for its having been so in Use.

Colonel Notham humbly hopes to be honoured with His Majestys further gracious Commands on this Point; & takes the Liberty of troubling His Majesty with a Copy of His last Letter to Prince William, which He hopes may meet with His Royal Approbation.

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