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London
9th August 1809

Mr. Tait
10 July 1780

Dear Sir

I have been very happy to hear
by different Channels that your Tour in the
Kingdom has been so successful, & I hope
you shall continue to meet with the same
superb support in what remains of it -
As I sometimes amuse myself with little
Electrical matters I wish'd to make a small
Electrophorus; & for that purpose I got an
oval piece of mahogany about 20 inches
long with an edge, on one side - I put
in a mixture of white resin with a little
Bees wax, & the movable coated plate
shaved pieces of Electricity & gave it



Mr. P. ...
Philosophical ...
P. ...

Handwritten notes on the bottom left corner of the paper, including the name 'P. ...' and other illegible scribbles.

you would take the trouble of mentioning
me in any circumstances you imagine I may
have omitted, & particularly the proper
reverent substance for producing the effects
of that instrument in the most sensible
form — Your Experience of these matters
will readily suggest all these circumstances
and you will oblige me by communicating
them —

I recd. lately of your friend P. Wright
who is in his usual health & in
perfect good spirits —

Drest to me under a cover to the
Bishop of Down at Lisburn with

the Bishop being in the country.

Your Dear Sir

Your most humble
& obedt. servant,
Wm. Russell.

Lisburn July. 10.

WRS

Pray did you receive any Penicils
I recd by which the most minute
may be rendered sensible?

A querry pencil of mine has continued one
which I think ingenious & to me it is
quite new — If you have any more