
Prince Hall Letters: In the Hand of Prince Hall

Literal Transcription

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Prince Hall

Reverse Side

Addressed to:
Willem White ^{Esq}
in
London

OT

Annotation: Boston 10 Nov. 1791
No 459
With 1
Guinea

Recd 16 Feb 1792

Modernized Transcription

Dear Sir,

I embrace this opportunity to acquaint you that we sent by the bearer, our well beloved Newport Daves, a letter to our worthy Deputy Grand Master, together with one guinea for charity to the Grand Lodge, which I hope you will receive safe as we have sent sundry times and have not known whether you received them or not. We sent ten dollars in August 1788 by Captain Scott, and by the Rev. John Marrant on February 2nd 1790 one guinea, all of which we hope you have received and, if not, we should be glad if your Worship would inform us of it, that we may know how to conduct ourselves for the future, that when we send anything for so good a purpose you may receive it safe, be it ever so little. So, no more at this time, but I beg leave to subscribe your humble servant and loving Brother,

Prince Hall

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Dear John,

Thank you for the latest “Phylaxis” that arrived today and for continuing to publish the Prince Hall letters. Congratulations on being awarded the honour of Man of the Year 2009. I see from the article on page 7 that the award is not given every year, so you must be very proud. John Rodriguez’s letter on page 5 brought home to me the importance of those Prince Hall letters and made me doubly glad that we had photographed them. Your members might like to know that the Library and Museum has a collection of

50 documents relating to Prince Hall Masonry between 1779 and 1891 in the archives collection HC 28/A which they can see references to on our web site or look at if they are ever in London. Thanks again.

Martin Cherry
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Freemasons’ Hall
Great Queen Street

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