

M0009872: Letter to Messers Howard and Kent, January 1847, regarding ether supplies

Publication/Creation

March 1947

Persistent URL

<https://wellcomecollection.org/works/aa6fdfdg>

License and attribution

This work has been identified as being free of known restrictions under copyright law, including all related and neighbouring rights and is being made available under the Creative Commons, Public Domain Mark.

You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, without asking permission.



Wellcome Collection
183 Euston Road
London NW1 2BE UK
T +44 (0)20 7611 8722
E library@wellcomecollection.org
<https://wellcomecollection.org>

Edinburgh, 8 Jan'y 1847

Messrs Howard & Kent

Gentlemen / We request that you will send per first Steam Vessel if possible a Good Bottle of Sulphuric Ether freed as much as possible from Sulphurous Acid - it is, or the Vapour arising from it, is to be inhaled, by Patients requiring Operations, to be performed on them, the effect being to prevent them while under the influence of the Vapour, from feeling pain.

You will have heard of Ether being used for this purpose. It is said that some Party in London is about to patent an Ether for this purpose; But we cannot conceive any alteration or improvement on the article you make, which you are unable to accomplish. Your early attention to this will much oblige

Your very obedt Servts

¹¹⁷
34 Scott & Co