

London 5th April 1797

M.^r Alex.^r Tilloch of Carey Street, London, having submitted to our inspection the above Specimen of an Art invented by him, for the purpose of producing checks to prevent the forgery of Bank Notes, Bills of Exchange, Drafts &c. &c. &c. we have examined the same with care and attention; and we declare, each of us for ourselves, that we could not make a copy of it, nor do we believe it can be copied by any of the known arts of Engraving. It therefore appears to us to be highly deserving of the notice of the Bank of England & Private Bankers as an art of great merit and ingenuity, calculated, not merely to detect, but, to prevent the possibility of forging Bank and other circulating bills.

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