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Description: Small pre-printed receipt slip. For *A System of Horsemanship* from M. Berenger 10 March 1762

Transcript: [In the transcript I have put the details which were inserted by hand in *lucida handwriting*]

LONDON *March 10th 1762*

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RECEIV[E]D of *Mr Garrick one*

GUINEA *being the* First Payment for [blank] *copy of a Work, entitled A SYSTEM OF HORSEMANSHIP, which I promise to deliver on Payment of one GUINEA more.*

M Berenger

Note: Richard Berenger (1720-1782), friend of DG, was appointed Gentleman of the Horse to George III. I. M^cIntyre, *Garrick* (London: Allen Lane, 1999), 254n.

Little and Kahrl, *Letters*, 175, 218, 230, 266. LETTERS TO: 253? 373, 393, 399, 418, 526, 547, 575, 697, 784, 1168, 1187, 1228, 1229.

Letter 175 n2 Richard Berenger (1720-1782) ... the son of Moses Berenger, a rich London merchant, for many years served as a Gentleman of the horse to George III. An amiable and accomplished man, Hannah More described him as “everybody’s favourite, all chivalry and blank verse and anecdote” (Blunt, *Mrs Montagu*, II, 45).

Letter 393 Dated Bath, March 19th 1766 to Berenger: ‘I am much, & very oblig’d to you for preventing my neck being broke, & sending the vile quadruped to the— place from whence she came — I should most certainly have made use of y^r knowledge had not a very good horse providentially dropt from the clouds, to save my life & restore the roses to my cheek — so that I shall not trouble you this time, but beg of you, when a tight thing presents itself, that you w[oul]d signify as much to me — the best horse today may be dogs meat tomorrow, I put my trust in horse-flesh, & my present happiness may not last long. Therefore, my good friend, if a

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phoenix should come across you, or rather if you should come across a phoenix, when i return to town, I beg you will give me notice of it, & if I should be unprovided, I will certainly be proud to mount a palfrey of thy appointment’.

See also Richard Berenger, Gentleman of the Horse to his Majesty, *The History and Art of Horsemanship* published in two volumes 1771. *Letter*, 575, 3 March [1770] ‘there are too many that get upon their *high horse* before y[ou]r book appears’.