

to your State or supply you with more shou'd it become necessary. Your compliance with this request will save time and charges. It will also oblige the secret committee of Congress of which we are a quorum & we remain Gentⁿ C. S. C.

Your obed^t Hble Serv^{ts}

Rob^t Morris

Richard Henry Lee

B. Franklin.

Josiah Bartlett.

[J. Yost to Council.]

Original.

Gentlemen.

George Town Sep^t 13th 1776.

In Consequence of your Favour of the 6th Instant, I have to inform you that I have erected a Horse Mill for boring Gun Barrels; that I am now employed with all the Workmen I have in making Locks, Screws, Mounting and forging Barrels ready for boring, but cannot proceed to that Part of the Work before I receive the Materials (Steel in particular,) which I purchased at Philadelphia sometime ago; having been disappointed by M^r Jesse Hollingsworth of Baltimore, who I am informed, has neglected to bring them from the Head of Elk in his Packet probably a Missive from you to him on this Occasion, might be of Service to hasten their Conveyance.

I was told by the Manager of the Gun Lock Manufactory at Frederick Town, that they forge Gun Locks much faster than they can finish them off; as that is the Case, I should be glad to furnish myself from thence with 300 ready forged Locks, provided the Terms are admissible.

If this Proposal is agreeable, I hope I may shortly be furnished with proper Authority through you, or some other Department, to receive that Quantity, as it will greatly further my Work.

I have nine Hands employed at present, and have engaged two more, who I expect will be at Work for me in less than a fortnight

With great Respect, I am

Gentlemen

Your most ob^t Servant

John Yost

[Baltimore Committee to Council.]

Original.

In Committee Baltimore Septem^r 13th 1776.

Gentlemen

We take the Liberty of transmitting you Copy of a Resolve of this Committee enterd into on Monday last relative to an