

Gentlemen—From the great Vivacity and Confidence that we repose in your Honours, We hope therefore that you will allow us most Honourable Gentlemen, an Addition to our Pay in order to alleviate our Pain and for our Labourous Work, and most fateaguingest in Life and much more so than any Company has gone through hitherto,—namely in building or assisting to build Fortifications or Batteries, together, most honourable Gentlemen, with the hard Feteagues of Guard, namely one every other Day mounting, and still Gentlemen, we are resolved that our Motto shall be Death or Glory.

Therefore, most honourable Gentlemen we hope your Honours will take your poor Petitioners Petition into your most serious Consideration and consult deliberately thereon, and give us a Grant, most honourable Gentlemen, of something more than our present Pay, which will make a Retaliation or Recompense for our hard Duty, and in so doing we shall be in Duty bound to pray,

Most honourable Gentlemen
The Royal Train of Artillery

God bless this Congress and direct our General

[G. Goldsborough to Council.]

Original.

Chester Town 18th Sep^t 1776.

Gent. I find from the number of Blankets I shall have occasion to purchase for my Comp^y and other things necessary, shall at least stand in need of £150 cash to defray my Expenses to Philadelphia, hope therefore you will be so obliging to give me an order on Western Shore Treasurer for that sum: there are 14 new, prov'd, well fitted muskets in town which when compleated may be purchased at £4. 10. 0, would beg to have the liberty to purchase them in order that we may be dispatched from hence. M^r Winters cannot compleat ours so soon as I could wish.

I am Gent^y very obed^t & Hble Serv^t
Greenbury Goldsborough

Thursday Sep^r 19th 1776

C. S. J.

Council met. Present as on yesterday.

Ordered That W: Shore Treasurer pay to James Roystone two Pounds, six shillings and six Pence for Am^t of Acc^t

M^r Tilghman attended.

James Cunningham and Will^m Tomlinson permitted to pass thro' any parts of the Western shore, and not to depart without Leave of this Board, they being Prisoners from Lord Dunmore's Fleet.