

Plateing forge in this Province an Account of the said forge It Lib. C. B.  
is the humble Advice of this Board that his Excellency be  
pleased to send a Certificate thereof to the Lords of Trade,  
and also the foll<sup>g</sup> Letter

Maryland Cecil County 24 Sept<sup>r</sup> 1750

In the year 1747 I built and finished a Plateing forge work-  
ing with Two Tilt Hammers on the head of North East River  
and am the sole Proprietor thereof

To His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq<sup>r</sup> G Rock  
Governor in Chief of the Province of Maryland

My Lords

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In Obedience to an Act of Parliament Entituled An Act to  
encourage the Importation of Pig and Barr Iron from his  
Majestys Colonies in America, and to prevent the Erection of  
any Mill or other Engine for slitting or rolling of Iron; or any  
Plateing forge to work with a Tilt Hammer, or any Furnace  
for makeing Steel in any of the said Colonies, I have trans-  
mitted your Lordships the inclosed Certificate and am

My Lords Your Lordships

most obedient and most humble Servant

To the right honble the Sam : Ogle  
Lords Comm<sup>rs</sup> for Trade &  
Plantations.

Province of Maryland

I Samuel Ogle Governor of the said Province do hereby  
certify that in the year 1747 there was finished and is now in  
use at the head of North East River in Cecil County One  
Plateing Forge working with Two Tilt Hammers and that  
George Rock of the said County is the Proprietor thereof,  
and that there is not a Mill or Engine for slitting and rolling  
of Iron, nor a Furnace for making Steel erected in this Prov-  
ince Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the said  
Province this 24<sup>th</sup> Day of Septem<sup>r</sup> Anno Domini 1750

His Excellency is pleased to ask the Opinion of this Board  
Whether the words, or after such Erection continued, in Page  
523, of the afore mentioned Act of Parliament have Reference  
to any Mills, Engines, Forges or Furnaces built in this Prov-  
ince before the making the said Act, who are unanimously of  
Opinion, that the said Words have no Reference thereto

At a Council held in the Council Chamber on Thursday the P. 414  
27<sup>th</sup> Day of September in the 36<sup>th</sup> year of his Lordships Dom-  
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