

order on the Treasurer M^r William Hindman, by the conveyance of this, Cap^t Delahay, who will return immediatly.

I am Gentlemen. Your very hum^l Serv^t
Rob^t Lloyd Nicols.

Original.

[R. Beall to Council.]

Drumpoint 29 May 1776.

Sir: I will solicit your notice, I am loath to complain as it is highly necessary when I have the greatest Right. I looked upon it when I came to Drumpoint every thing must be provided for one part of my Company, can it be possible the Committee could make such a Report, it is fact there is not House Room for twenty men, can it be expected the men can encamp out among the pines without Blankets or Tents upon the whole I must say this Company which I have the Honour to command has been grately neglected makes me particularly anxious. the Armes that was sent to Drumpoint, are vile Trash, whoever made them imposed much and are culpable, the locks are quite useless, must say there is not eight out of twenty nine can make any use of, as it is out of my power to repare or make these armes fit for use. I look upon it these armes has been culld and picked, such vile work never could be Inspected, as this is the most advantagious post hoping the Hon^l Council will let me have 20 Rifles for the station, have not heard any thing Respecting our armes and ammunition, so that we stand here exposed and remain in a most Defenceless state. there was no thread came with the oznabrigs, cannot get any to make the Hunting shirts.

Dear Sir your most affectionate Servant
Rezⁿ Beall

Original.

[J. Beall to Council.]

29th May 1776.

Gentⁿ I have delivered 24 bl^s of Powder to Lieu^t Ford, I was last Saturday at George Town, Yost then told me he expected to have the arms for Port Tob^o ready by the last of this week, but have just now received a line from him informing me that the man who supplys him with Bayonets & barrels has been sick & that he cant furnish him with those articles till the 16th of next month.

I have employed two Wagons to carry the powder at three dollars a day, when they return I shall settle with them & give orders for their pay, as soon as those arms can be had I shall employ a waggon to carry them to Port Tobacco: I am Gentⁿ

Your very Hum^l Serv^t

Jo^s Beall.