

Severn Battalion is from the local situation of the Country greatly exposed to the Depredations & attacks of our cruel & inveterate Enemies: And as we may daily expect them, we request that you will be pleased to furnish the said Battalion with 200 Cartouch Boxes with 23 rounds of Powder & Ball to each and also 200 Gun flints.

We also inform your Honours that we will be answerable for the above, unless lost by unavoidable accident, and will return the same to the next Convention if they will not pay for the same. We are Gen^t in expectation of the above reasonable request being complied with.

Y^r most Hum^l Serv^{ts}

I. Hall. Rezin Hammond.
31st May 1776. Nich^s Worthington.

To the Honble the Council of Safety:

P. S. As an additional reason for the above application it is to be considered that the magazine is in the very heart of the Battalion and the cartouch Boxes may be lodged in the magazine subject to the order of the Col^o or Lieutenant Col^o in case of an alarm.

I. Hall.

[Hopkins to Council.]

c. s. c.

Baltimore May 31st 1776.

Gen^t I have sent by the Bearer John Payne Twenty musquets with Bayonets and seventeen without fourteen of which I received of Peter Littig, the others being some of the Province Arms Rec^d of Cap^t Sam^l Smith, and also six Reams Cartridge paper which I had an order for some time ago and had not then Received it. I am Gen^t y^r most

Hum^l Serv^t Gerard Hopkins son R^d

[Worcester Committee to Council.]

In Committee, Snowhill May 31st 1776.

Were Present. Benton Harris Esq^r chairman

Mess^{rs} Peter Chaille, John Purnell, James Martin

Henry Johnson, John Done, Outten Sturgis

and John Selby.

Whereas special permission was heretofore granted to M^r Benjamin Dennis to raise a Company of Militia in Worcester County and in pursuance of the Resolves of the Convention of Maryland, it appears that he hath enrolled a Company consisting of eight non-commissioned officers and fifty six Privates, likewise that he was duly elected as Captain, John Townsend