

kept with intention to finish, as a Mule, and that the  
other is employed in bringing in Ship Timber for the  
Frigate now building; no Consent of his, and contrary to  
express Order of the Council of Safety of the 20<sup>th</sup> Instant.

We wish to have this affair cleared up to our Satisfac-  
tion. W. Lutz knows Nothing of the Matter - We request  
you would converse with some of the Committee, and let us  
know how every Thing has been conducted - J. Smyth is going  
to the Eastern Show on Friday or Saturday; the Meeting  
of the adjourned Provincial Court next Week, and a Day  
appointed for hearing the Elk Ridge Petition prevents  
our coming to Baltimore; we wish to have both your-  
self and Col. Rumsey - without you there will be  
no Meeting of the Council of Safety on Monday - Pray  
send an Express to Rumsey, to let him know our  
Situation - J. Tighman goes off to the Eastern  
Show on Monday or Tuesday.

We are &c.

27<sup>th</sup> March 1776.

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