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Shirley 6th July 1780.

Dear Sir

You will receive this with Dispatches from Gen^l Washington, tho I am in part Ignorant of its contents, yet I am fully persuaded, the necessity of a present exertion, is strongly urged. The long experience he has had of your fidelity, together with your readiness at all times, to contribute to the defence of your Country, leaves no room to doubt, your ready compliance, with the present necessary request.

I shall come to Exeter on Monday, on Tuesday I shall wait on the committee, who, I presume you will call together in consequence of ^{the} dispatches, then sir, I shall impart my Instructions, and advise on weighty and important matters.

In the Interval, and at all times,
have the Honor to be with respect
and esteem, sir your most Obed^t Serv^t

John Stark

The Honble Mespick Wear Esq^r

