

you may just the rest in  
as you see, has converted the third figure into a four.  
The old people have been down. Kall is going squab  
on. Write me how you come on at Dublin  
Anderson has franked a letter to Sir James  
M. Kelleck & J. Anderson

20 Oct 1779

postage to recipient  
paid

James & Emanuel  
Esquire  
James & Emanuel  
now at Lisburn

Dumfries, 30<sup>th</sup> October 1779.

Sir

I had your favour of 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. annexed to  
Mr. Anderson's, which would have been answered in  
course, but that I had forgot or rather never could  
answer that querie anent their using a liquid  
in boring the Cannon at Carron, I was therefore  
obliged to write to a friend there for this infor-  
mation. Since I was writing, I demanded an-  
swers to the whole, which you have as below

The Cannon turns round the drill is fast  
in the act of boring.

The drill brings out what is cut by it in sheaves,  
the same as borings of brass or other metals.

Cast Iron will not cut with a liquid, as it  
glazes the points of the Drills.

The Drills are made of steel, & tempered  
as other drills

The Cannon is first bored with a drill  
smaller

smaller than the size of the intended Caliber,  
is widened & finished by an adjusting leaver, with  
four cutting edges upon it. — When answers  
may be depended upon, by the Gentlemen's  
lett what it will — I respectully am

Sir, Your most obedt Servt  
Am. Kelloock

Dec 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1777.

Darling

Mr. Tennent tells me he wrote you  
last week that the Magistrates have agreed to allow  
Kennedy's teaching the school till he returns from  
Edin<sup>g</sup>. which is as so far well. — Your reason  
for continuing in Ireland for awhile appear good  
and I shall be happy to hear of your  
of success are gratified. — I wrote Mr. Anderson,  
of Dublin last week & informed him of your  
plans. I flatter myself he will show you all  
his power as I had a number  
of it. — He lives in Abbey Street  
which I think I mentioned formerly. — Attention  
in the South at present. — I should guess he  
is not a certain article proves much alike  
very much resembling an acquaintance of  
obliquely — very many well — and  
but is no farther yet — That