for R. Road-purposes, and the disposition of each of you, as well as others of y. board, to adopt it whenever you are ready to do so. I have no wish that you sh.d commit yourselves by the expression of an intention to do what, when the day arrives, you may find better omitted or yielded to some other plan: but as strong an opinion & disposition to use it, as you can feel freedom to give me may be very availing; for We are all more or less the followers of example, and altho' my prospects with the different companies here are of a very flattering kind, & I expect to do much with them, your voices may do not a little to promote it. Present, therefore, my respects to the Colonel with this commu-nication, and do me the favor to let me