BASIC STORY:

* Perillus the Inventor was charged by King Minos to build him a “Living Bull”, and Perillus made the Brazen Minotaur, telling Minos that for it to live, it must be fed people
* Minos, horrified by the creation and by the sacrifice needed for its life, builds the labyrinth and throws Perillus to the labyrinth
* Perillus now writes 4 notes for the player to find

NOTE 1: ENTRANCE

Beware, unlucky fool who picks up this letter,

your doom is spelled out across these pages,

and levied upon you by my hand

Golden twine once left behind will glow along your path

Find the key, and come back to me

Or face the Prince’s wrath

NOTE 2:

I gave him skin of bronze and brass so that he would not rust or see wear

Gave within him eternal furnace, so that life would breathe beneath your hands

Tempered his throat so that he would sing, soul found in gears and steam

And yet now we both wander these halls, my king

Was your horror for the life that I made, or the sacrifices done to make it?

NOTE 3:

The alchemists could not bring you life

The priests could not summon down the gods

The Queen could not bear heir, could not bear pride

Of me you demanded life,

for my hands to make a heart that beat and lungs that drew breath

I have made your son, Minos, given your name and bearing the likeness of your soul

Alchemists, Priests and the Queen all three knew the costs to your demands

But only I was willing to pay them

NOTE 4: KEY

Minos, you who threw me into this labyrinth for the crime of my daedelyn gifts

utilized for divine purpose

You asked me, when I presented you your son of bronze and brass

What such a creature subsisted on,

what it would suckle upon if not woman’s breast and eat if not bread and wine

I hear your brazen son come for me now, and with my physicality he will answer what you asked me then

“What do you feed a Brass Bull, Perillus?”

The same thing you feed the fires that will destroy Rome

But as the bull comes towards me sire, I will ask you now:

What do you feed a Brass Bull, my king?

You will discover your answer soon enough