

You to assist us wth Shroves powder & lead, else we shall not be able to speak wth you any longer
 Brother Corlaer We have heard of you sent this summer to Onondage to aq^t the six Nations you could not meet us this year because the Kings business hinder'd you, When Message was not rightly brought to us from Onondage, for had we rec^d the Message Right, We could not come hither this Summer, so when you are pleas'd to send us any Message, send it Directly to the Sunnekes for the Ind^{ns} are forgetful in Delivering their Message

Brother Corlaer It is now a year or two since we desired a Smith, We have had one but not according to our mind, But now Brother we desire wth a good Smith Myndert Wemp may be sent up to us wth all Tools fitting for his business, and we should be very glad if he might go wth us now, We were in hopes to have met a Smith by the way

Present
 Henry Holland Esq^r Com^r
 Evert Bancker

At a meeting of the Com^r of Ind^{ns} Affairs in Albany this 11th of October 1725
 Answer of the Com^r to a proposition made yesterday by a Sachem of the Six Nations

We heard your proposition yesterday wth attention wherein you laid before us your Grievances occasion'd by the selling of Strong Liquor at the trading house on the Onondage River the great want you are in of a Smith, & likewise your uneasiness in case any difference should happen between our people and the french, who come thro' your Country to trade, all w^{ch} we shall carefully acquaint his Excellency our Govern^r wth by the first opportunity.

Yours

You say that you are the Nations who by nearest the far Ind^{ns} by reason of w^{ch} you are put to great Charge of Belts & Ribbits to speak wth them to draw them hither to trade, We heartily thank you for your Care & Diligence in that particular & shall acquaint his Excell^{ty} of it w^{ch} no Doubt will be pleasing to him, We now give you 50 lb of powder 100 lb of lead & belts of Shroves & 2 kegs of Rum to be kept in store to speak wth the far Ind^{ns} on occasion

It was resolved at this meeting to write the following Letter to his Excellency

May it please your Excell^{ty} Albany 11th October 1725

We take leave to inform your Excell^{ty} that on Saturday last arriv'd at this City six Sachems of a Six Nations wth Lawrence Claere the interpreter who appear'd before this Board yesterday & made a proposition Minuter whereof & also our answer thereto is enclosed with our best Respects we remain

May it please your Excell^{ty}
 Your Excell^{ty}'s most humble and most obedient servants
 Sign'd Henry Holland
 Evert Bancker