

May it please your Ex^{ty}

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Albany y^e. 14 february 1723

We have Received your Ex^{ty} Letter of y^e. 31th ultimo
Inclosed we send our Minutes since our Last where by
your Ex^{ty}. will perceive that some Canada Indians
brought here on the 19. past an Indian Prisoner from
virginia we use our utmost Endeavor to Redeem
him after all our trouble found that the prisoner was
more willing to go to Canada than to Return home
tho we have good reason to believe that the Sachins
will on the belt we sent send him back, we should
have Comp^d the Indians to Surrender the prisoner
but in consideration that your Ex^{ty}. was inclin^d
to have the five Nations to Joyn in the Eastern war
against y^e. Indians we would not disoblige them
for that would naturally make them Embrace the
governour of Canadas proposall to war ag^t. New
England. After the Indians had the prisoner out of Town
they gave him his Liberty and went with them
our Indians are hearty enough in Suppressing
the Eastern war tho it is out of their power to assist
N. England the next summer. Since we are Inform^d that
most of their warriors are gone out fighting against
Indians not included in the Last Treaty with
Submission we think are of opinion that it will be
Impracticable to Engage our Indians to war ag^t. y^e.
Canada Indians being apart of themselves are
gone and Removed thither by y^e. Inducements of
the french priests and y^e. merchants of the two Late
unhappy Expeditions
we are thankfull to your Ex^{ty} for the good
news which makes us Rejoyce. we have acquainted
the Corporation of their neglect -

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