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Present

- Philip Livingston
- Wynneert Schuyler
- Hendrick Rensselaer
- Ryer Gerritse
- Stephams Grosb.
- Nicolaas Blicher

Att A Meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Com<sup>d</sup> of Indian Affairs in Albany y<sup>e</sup> 26 March 1727

This Day Rec<sup>d</sup> a letter Coll<sup>d</sup> Samuel Patridge dated at Hatfield y<sup>e</sup> 22 Instant & Copy of a letter from Gov<sup>r</sup> Dummer to this board

Albany 27 March 1727

Gentlemen

Your Letters of y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>th</sup> Instant with Copy to you from Gov<sup>r</sup> Dummer we Rec<sup>d</sup>. desiring our assistance y<sup>e</sup> Gray Lock should be made a friend to come into y<sup>e</sup> treaty of peace as also y<sup>e</sup> Chiefs of y<sup>e</sup> St<sup>h</sup> Francois Indians we could wish y<sup>e</sup> it was effected. to the end we have not been wanting in sending a message Jand Lost. by Malalement Brother of St<sup>h</sup> Gray Lock inviting him and other Chiefs who were hunting on our frontiers come hither, but unfortunately missd him being gone home but brought on y<sup>e</sup> first Instant three St<sup>h</sup> Francois Indians to this place to whom we thought fitt to communicate that his hon<sup>r</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Dummer had Confirmd & Ractifyd y<sup>e</sup> peace with y<sup>e</sup> penabscult & namywalk tribes y<sup>e</sup> much blood had been on both sides Lost in this last War and Excepted y<sup>e</sup> these Indians In behalf of St<sup>h</sup> Francois should Ractify & Confirmd the D. treaty of peace that for y<sup>e</sup> future none of their tribe should go to molest or any of our N<sup>e</sup> England Brethren or Else where: w<sup>ch</sup> if they do faithfully perform they should at all times be well come to hunt on these

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On these frontiers & Civil Tracted at this place, on this we gave y<sup>e</sup> a present a belt am<sup>l</sup> Lu<sup>l</sup> promise to use their utmost Endeavour to prevail on their Chiefs to come hither on our Invitation what success we shall have in our undertaking is Uncertain & precurious as soon as an Opportunity shall offer we shall send such a message to Gray Lock & y<sup>e</sup> Chief of St<sup>h</sup> Francois as you desire but you have no belt as is Required on such Occasion we think proper to do it in our Name y<sup>e</sup> your Govern<sup>t</sup>. may not be seen in this Message for fear it might miscarry not to give y<sup>e</sup> Indians y<sup>e</sup> opportunity to suppose it comes from you we shall not scruple to make our selves Guarantees for y<sup>e</sup> Indians Civil Treatm<sup>t</sup>. with you & their safe return tho suspect they had hardly be prevailed especially y<sup>e</sup> Gray Lock to go into y<sup>e</sup> Country for y<sup>e</sup> letter has done much mischief on y<sup>e</sup> frontiers & has doubtless a Guilty Conscience We shall at all times be ready to do any thing w<sup>ch</sup> may contribute towards establishing a firm & lasting peace between y<sup>e</sup> Govern<sup>t</sup>. & y<sup>e</sup> Indians could wish it was already accomplished. we fear y<sup>e</sup> french priests & their Govern<sup>t</sup>. will if possible overfett all amicable Measures y<sup>e</sup> May be sett on foot to Confirmd or Conclude any treaty with you

These Indians seem to be sincere they told us y<sup>e</sup> last fall on invitation of some of our number while at Canada severall Sachins of St<sup>h</sup> Jn<sup>s</sup> were in their way hither as far as the Crown point with an intent to make treaty of peace w<sup>ch</sup> your Gov<sup>r</sup>. were prevented by false reports spread among w<sup>ch</sup> made y<sup>e</sup> desist y<sup>e</sup> design y<sup>e</sup> St<sup>h</sup> Indians have faithfully promised us to use their best Endeavors to prevent y<sup>e</sup> St<sup>h</sup> Indians from going to do mischief on y<sup>e</sup> frontiers tho tho but little dependance on w<sup>ch</sup> they come to promise is y<sup>e</sup> needfull at present from who are with Estem to M<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>l</sup> Patridge & John Stoddard Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Your very Humble Serv<sup>ts</sup>  
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