

to understand by Signs, that their Warriours were resolv'd upon our Death. This obliged me to apply my self to their Chiefs, and presented them with six Hatchets, fifteen Knives, and some pieces of Tobacco; after which, bending my Neck, and pointing to a Hatchet, I signify'd to them, by that Submission, that we threw our selves at their Mercy.

The Present had the good Effect to soften some of them, who, according to their Custom, gave us some Beavers Flesh to eat, themselves putting the three first bits in our Mouths, having first blown upon it, because it was hot; after this they set a Platter before us, made of the Bark of a Tree, leaving us at liberty to feed after our own Fashion. These Civilities did not hinder us from passing the Night away very uneasily, because in the Evening before they went to Sleep, they had returned us our *Calumet* of Peace. The two *Canoe* Men resolved to sell their Lives as dear as they cou'd, and to defend themselves like Men to the last, in case they shou'd attack us, and we Watch'd all Night by Turns, that we might not be surpriz'd in our Sleep.

The next Morning early, one of their Captains, who had been for killing of me, came and demanded my Pipe of Peace; it being deliver'd him, he fill'd it with Tobacco, and made the rest who had been for putting us to Death, smoak in it, then he made Signs that we must go along with them into their Country,