

to the Crown of great Britain.

Some of your Delegates when in the Eastern parts were Eye Witnesses of the Desolations made in that Country, & were made sensible of the perfidiousness of that people, which they resented as they expressed it even to vomiting.

Your Delegates when at Boston assured that Govern^t that they would endeavour to prevail with the five Nations, to prevent the Merrimack, and Messecuskeek Ind^s Confederating or Acting with the Eastern Ind^s against us, and we conclude they will let us know whether that matter has taken Effect.

They likewise gave the Govern^t good reason to expect that if five Nations would join with them in carrying on the War against the Eastern Ind^s.

We being necessarily engaged in a War against the Eastern Ind^s who would not by any acts of kindness shewn them, by promises made by them, or any Rules either of justice or gratitude be obliged to live in peace with us; the Govern^t upon their considering that they and you had but one hatchett thought fitt to send us hither to tender the hatchett to you which they could not for want of opportunity propose to you before hand of your ready & cheerful acceptance whereof they don't allow themselves to doubt, considering the firm alliance between them & your Tribes, as also the great Justice we have on our side in entering into a War with those faithless people.

The Govern^t have likewise sent a present much more Considerable than that we have already delivered to you, which we are Comanded to lay before you, upon your assuring us that you will immediately join with us in the War against the Eastern Ind^s, who ought to be esteemed as our Comon Enemy.

And not only so, but for the further Encouragement of your Warlike people they have resolved that the following Sum^s be allowed, and paid out of the publick Treasury for the Scalps of our Enemy Ind^s / viz / for every Male of twelve years old & upward one hundred pounds in New England Money, and for the Scalps of all others that shall be killed in fight fifty pounds, and for each prisoner rendered to the Comanding Officer of any Regiment, Company, Troop or Garrison fifty pounds, and in Case such prisoners be Women, or Children under the age of twelve years, they shall likewise have the sole benefit of such prisoners, together with the plunder they shall take.

That for your better accomodation in any Marches your parties shall make against the Eastern Ind^s, this Govern^t have given Directions, that in Case they should be in want of provision, or ammunition for that Service they shall be supplied from the English Garrisons, the value whereof shall be deducted out of what may be due to them for any Scalps by them brought.