

THE PREFACE.

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2. *The Onayiuts or Onoyders, were the first that join'd in the Confederacy with the Mohawks, by putting themselves under their Protection. He calls the Mohawk his Father, and in Return he is called a Son : The Mohawk used him for his Ambassador to the other Nations : In Council he is stiled Niharontaquea, or the great Tree.**

3. *The Onontago's were the next that joined, and of their own Accord became Confederates ; they are therefore called by the Mohawks, Brothers ; and by the Onoyders, Fathers, because they had not been forced into the Alliance as the Onoyders were : He is called in Council Sagochsaanagechteront, i. e. the Arms, or Names-bearer.*

4. *The Jenontowano's or Sinikers next joined in the Alliance of their own Consent ; they are stiled by the Mohawks and Onontago's, Brothers, and by the Onoyders, Fathers : His Title in Council is Onughkaarydaawy, whose Signification is not known, and Dyionenhookaraw, i. e. Open Doors for Friends and Enemies.*

5. *The Caiukquo's, the last of the Five-Nation Alliance, being compelled thereto by the Rest, is Brother to the Onoyders, and Son to the others ; is stiled in Council Ganunawantoowano, or the † great Pipe.*

6. *Tuscarora's joined in the Alliance about thirty Years ago, being compelled thereto by the English of Carolina :*

* A Tree is their most frequent Emblem of Peace. To plant a Tree whose Top may reach to the Sun, and its Branches may extend over the whole Country, is a Phrase for a lasting Covenant of Peace.

† The great Pipe, or Calumet of the Indians, resembles the Olive-Branch of Antiquity, always a Badge of Peace.