

"onate Parent, and wherever you go, and whatever Station the Divine Providence shall please to assign you, our sincere Desires and Prayers for the Happiness of you and yours shall always attend you.

"We have seen many Governors, and may see more; and, as none of those, who had the Honour to serve in your Station, were ever so justly fix'd in the Affection of the Governed, so those to come will acquire no mean Reputation, when it can be said of them, their Conduct has been like yours.

"We thankfully accept the Honour you do us, in calling yourself our *Countryman*; give us Leave then to desire that you will not forget this is your Country, and, if you can, make Haste to return to it.

"But if the Service of our Sovereign will not admit of what we so earnestly desire, and his Commands deny us that Happiness, permit us to address you as our Friend, and give us your Assistance when we are oppress'd with an Administration the Reverse of yours.

Whether the Gentlemen of *New-York* had received Information who was to be Brigadier *Hunter's* Successor in that Government, or whether it was the Effect of their Jealousy of all Governors sent them from *England* to mend their Fortune, as was the Lord *Cornbury's* Case, and not less Mr. *Burnet's*, the next Governor, they seem'd to have considered what they had said. Mr. *Burnet* was Comptroller-General of the Customs at *London*, and had by no means better'd his Circumstances by his Concern in the South-Sea Stock; Brigadier *Hunter* succeeded him as Comptroller-General at *London*, and *William Burnet, Esq;* Son to the late Bishop of *Salisbury*, was his Successor in this Government, and that of *New-Jersey*, where he purchased a Settlement, which is or was lately in his Family, but under some Incumbrances, for the Discharge of which, the second Volume of the Bishop's *History of his own Time*, was sold according to a publick Advertisement.

In the Year 1719, *Peter Schuyler, Esq;* as President of the Council, was Commander in Chief of this Province, in the Absence of Governor *Hunter*, and appointed the following Gentlemen to meet and confer with the *Indian* Segamores at *Albany*, *John Riggs, Esq;* *Hend. Hauson, Esq;* *John Schuyler, Esq;* *Robert Levingston, Junior, Esq;* *Peter Van Brugh, Esq;* The Matter they were to confer about was, some hostile Expedition intended by the *Indians* of the *Five Nations*, which the *English* apprehended to be unreasonable, and the