

them to a participation of the honor and booty which must attend the conquest he expected to make ; his solicitations were without effect on the majority, who by every discouraging argument, earnestly dissuaded him from the prosecution of his intended enterprize. In this savage congregation, Col. Bradstreet found his friend Red Head, an Onondaga chief : a man of high reputation and distinguished abilities (among the Indians) both in the cabinet and the field ; a great warrior in the universal estimation of the five nations. This chief had been formerly in the enemy's interest, but taking a disgust at some treatment received from the commanding officer at La Galette, in the year 1755, he came to Oswego, where finding Col. then Capt. Bradstreet, he made a tender of his services to him ; being courteously received and caref'd by Mr. Bradstreet ; at whose instance, Mr. Shirley made him several considerable presents, he became remarkably attach'd to our interest, and as inveterate against the enemy ; from him Col. Bradstreet received the most accurate intelligence relative to the state of Fort Frontenac,