

favourite Purpose, as the Doctor would have it believed. Nor did the Mission miscarry for Want of due Support, as he leads his Readers to imagine it did. What he quotes from Mr. *Apsborp*, that from the latest Accounts we find this Mission much dwindled, or greatly interrupted, relates to the State of Things brought on 18 Years afterwards by the late War. Mr. *Barclay's* Mission was carried on with seeming Success till about the Year 1745, by which Time the *French* had infused such dreadful Imaginations into our *Indians*, and incited their own to such Violences, that it was no longer safe for Mr. *Barclay* to stay amongst them. There is therefore not the least Ground for the Doctor's Pretence, that the *Indians* did not think the *English* in Earnest, or that the *French* made their Advantage of any Negligence of the Society. Instead of despising what the Society was doing, they were alarmed at it, and employed both all their usual Arts and open Force to defeat it. However, Mr. *Oel*, a German Clergyman appointed by the Society, staid with the *Indians* during the War, in which they were faithful to this Country. And he, and *Paulus*, a *Mohock*, whom the Society made Schoolmaster, were still doing the best they could there when the last Accounts came. Mr. *Barclay* being settled at *New-York* in 1746, Mr. *Ogilvie* was sent in his stead to the *Indians* in 1748, who found that many of them were removed into the *French* Territory, and the rest so much addicted to Drunkenness, which hath since destroyed a great Part of them, that he had little Hopes, excepting from the Children, and not much from them, unless they were maintained in Houses appropriated to their Instruction. Now this Undertaking would not only be excessively expensive, particularly because the Parents must be well entertained as often as they pleased to visit their Children, but in all Likelihood fruitless, considering their Dispositions with respect to their Children already mentioned. Mr. *Ogilvie* took one by Way of Trial, clothed, maintained and instructed him. But his Friends fetched him away, lest he should learn to despise his own Nation. Notwithstanding all this, Mr. *Ogilvie* continued his Endeavours there, till he was carried off in 1758 for his Majesty's Service, by the Commander in Chief of his Forces in those Parts. There are still, or lately were, Hopes of his Return;