

a Continual Commerce you will find out those best
people who cheat & deceive you in trade so that you
may avoid them, and have only to do with those who
you find to be honest & fair dealers gave abett of wompan

We are surpris'd at the desire of the Sachims of the
Senonadies to have the sons of Col. Peter Schuyler
& Mr. Hendrick Stanpa in Room of their decessed fathers
as Commissionsers. its a thing not in our power to grant
and that is only invested in our Governour who
appoints such Persons as he pleases. So that you may
inform your Sachims that if love of peace & friendship shall
stand as fast as ever and it shall be cultivated that it
may run strong roots in the woods and you & all your
relations shall be welcome to Skaten under the same
give him a present for those Sachims who sent him

The said Sachims was very thankfull & said he would
acquaint the Sachims of his Nation of the kind Reception
and treatment he mett with at this Place

Jean Tafar alias Maconts and Joseph Montour
the first being nephew & eldest son of Montour. who
was murdered by means of the French for encouraging
the Jar Indians to come & trade with the Inhabitants
of this Province, appeared before this Board who
informed the Commissionsers that they sett out in
Company with nine Canoes of Tawitawig Indians
(among whom they live & ^{are} ~~live~~ ^{to} ~~live~~ ^{to} ~~live~~ ^{to})
& with an intent to come hither, but by the way
meeting with some people of this place at y^e falls of
onnydo. who stopp'd ^{them} there. They sayt J. Indians
have directed them to tell their Brethren (or say that
it seems as if the path is stopp'd. that they can come
further then that fall by Reason of y^e people of this
place stopp'd them. So if they cant see any more

to this place to Renew their former treaties & Engagements
and desire to know the Reasons. gave a few dr. Deers
& a Calumet Pipe.

That when those Sachims are inform'd y^e path
is open & free they'll come with all their people on
account of trade of next Spring

The Commissionsers answer

We are very much Rejoyced to see you here and that
the people above have not been able to stop you to come
hither, it Pleas us to ~~see~~ hear of y^e Tawitawig's design
to Carry on their trade with the Inhabitants of this
Province. and ^{that} you are come to bring that ~~news~~ ^{news}
which we take as an Inclination & affection you ^{have}
~~for~~ ^{the English} Nation. we ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~wonder~~ ^{wonder} at y^e Long stay
our y^e Sachims of Tawitawig since they undertooke
in y^e Covenant Chain we might Reasonably Expect they
would have ^{come} ~~come~~ ^{to} ~~to ^{Renew} ~~Renew~~ ^{their} ~~their ^{negotiations}. that they happen
themselves to be stopp'd & prevented on to trade with our
people at y^e onnydo falls must be their own fault
for they may freely come hither & now can hinder
themselves their Inclinations. we desire of for y^e future
they do not hearken to ~~any~~ ^{what} private persons
come to tell them but to proceed in their Journey to
this place. where they may be supply'd ^{cheap}
Gave a Present of Rum & Storrs for the Sachims~~~~