

“ other but our Brother *Onas*, and that to sell  
 “ Lands to any other is an high Breach of the  
 “ League of Friendship.” Brethren, this rash Pro-  
 “ ceeding of our young Men makes us ashamed.  
 “ We always mean well, and shall perform faith-  
 “ fully what we have promised : And we assure you,  
 “ this Affair was transacted in the Manner we have  
 “ related, without our Privy or Consent. And that  
 “ you may be fully convinced of this, and of the  
 “ Sincerity of our Intentions, we have brought you  
 “ these two Strowds [*here he presented two red*  
 “ *Strowds to the Governor*] they are the very Strowds  
 “ our foolish young Men received ; we took them  
 “ from them, and we give them to you to return  
 “ to those white People who made the Bargain, and  
 “ desire when the Strowds are returned to them,  
 “ they may be told what we now say, and that we  
 “ shall not confirm such Bargains, nor any other  
 “ that may interfere with our Engagements to our  
 “ Brother *Onas*.”

The Governor then spoke :

‘ B R E T H R E N,

‘ I thank you for this Piece of News ; you have  
 ‘ taken this Matter perfectly right. All Bargaining  
 ‘ for Land within this Province, is, to be sure, a  
 ‘ manifest Breach of your Contract with the Pro-  
 ‘ prietors, and what we know you will not coun-  
 ‘ tenance. We have hitherto found the *Six Na-*  
 ‘ *tions* faithful to their Engagements, and this is a  
 ‘ fresh Instance of their Punctuality. You could  
 ‘ not help these Mistakes of your young Men ;  
 ‘ they were not done in your Presence : But as se-  
 ‘ veral Inconveniencies may arise from these kind of  
 ‘ clandestine Sales, or from any such loose Sales of  
 ‘ Land by your People, we desire you will, on  
 ‘ your Return home, give publick Notice to all  
 ‘ your Warriors not to bargain for any Land ; or