

more with them: After this Conference these Sachims appear'd as hearty as any of the others. He that was Head of the Tribe, call'd the *Tortoise*, said, ' His Uncle had been the chief War-Captain among the *Mohawks*: That his Uncle had particularly distinguished himself in their Wars against the *French*, and he was resolv'd to shew himself not unworthy of his Ancestors, nor of his Uncle's Name, which he had obtained after his Death.'

After the principal Sachims had, at these Conferences, been brought to a good Disposition, his Excellency advis'd with the Gentlemen of the Council, and the Commissioners from the *Massachusetts Bay*, on what might be proper to be said to the *Six Nations* in the public Speech, which he now propos'd to make to them. Col. *Wendell* and Mr. *Wells* had arriv'd from *Boston* about the End of *July*, and soon after they came to Town, his Excellency order'd the Gentlemen of the Council to communicate to them all the Information which had been received, with respect to the *Indian Affairs*: And they had frequent Conferences together from Time to Time, as Occasion required: It was likewise thought proper to communicate what his Excellency intend'd to say to some of the Sachims of each Nation, who were thought most hearty in the *British* Interest; who said, that it was well conceiv'd as could have been done, had they themselves advis'd upon the Subject; only, as it had been advis'd to observe in the first Draught, That some of his Majesty's Subjects had been instigated by the *French* to rise in Rebellion against the King; that they had been defeated by one of the King's Sons; that these poor People were now utterly ruin'd, and had nothing left but to bewail their Folly in the Misery that was brought upon them, by suffering themselves to be deluded by the Promises of the