

That the Gov. of Canada Designs to sell the
far Indians on the five Nations and for that
reason have kept all the Senecas at home

That on the 23^d Decem^r three of the prin-
cipal Sachims of the Senecas accepted to
go to the far Nations & added six belts of
Wampum to the belt delivered them already
ing one was not enough there being several
Nations to speak with & so bring the message
delivered them by Lawrence ~~Clave~~ to the
far Indians and to come down wth a great Num-
ber of them Early next Spring to Albany
and would meet Capt Jacob Verplank at the
Lake who was directed by our Gov^t to be there
to treat with them

That on the 2^d October last Jean Coeur
departed from the Senecas Country to
Montreal & promised to come there again
early the next spring to build a house at
Therondegaut by Consent of the Indians
& a small fort

Albany the 7th Jan. 1724

May it please your Excell^{ty}

We have not much to add to our last of
the 19th October which we hope your Excell^{ty} has
received, only that we thought fit for his Maj^{ty}
service to send Lawrence Clave with a
message to the Senecas Country & your Excell^{ty}
will perceive by the enclosed instructions
he returned to day & delivered his message
as appears by the minutes here with

Account of his journey & expences we'll send
your Excellency in the spring

We got this day wth some trouble & expences
a Negroe boy from a french Indⁿ taken from
Virginia belonging to one Capt. Hicks who was
here wth Coll^l Spotswood & has suffered by them
formerly the Charges am^t to £ 5.10. —
which we hope will be p^d on his delivery and
that your Excellency will be pleas'd to acquaint
the Gov^t of Virgin^a wth it that the owner
may have him again. We wish your Excell^{ty} a
happy new year & many of them wth Respect
we remain

May it please your Excell^{ty}

Your Excell^{ty}'s most humble and

most obedient servants

- Peter van Brugh
- John Bleeker
- John Swinerton
- Nearj Holland
- John Cuyler
- Evert Bancker
- John Collins
- Evert Wendell

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All a meeting of the Com^{rs} of Indⁿ Affairs
Esq^{ts} the 17th Day of february 1724

This day came before us Schenondoe one of the
Sachims of Cognewagah with three other Ind^{ns} who
being asked what news he had, told us he had no
news except that an Onondagah called the Great
World with five others of the same Nation came
last fall by the Lieut gov^r of Canada with a
melancholy acc^t as they term'd it that they had
news that the Ottowawas had a design to fall upon
the five Nations who answered them that he was
entirely