

I am glad you are now sensible that it is for your advantage and security that the four Nations have a free passage thro' your Country you could not work unintelligible it first but the only way to strengthen yourselves and us is to have us many brought into covenant chain as possible and therefore I must exhort you to persist in the resolution to give the four Nations all suitable encouragement. Imagine as you see the Great Queen to strengthen this Government the Queen has been pleased to send out with me a great number of People to settle here.

Those of your Nation that have been lately in England have made it their supplication to the Great Queen to send Missionaries among them to instruct them in the Religion and worship the son of God. I desire to know whether you approve of it if you will be satisfied to have a Garrison planted in one or more of your Houses and a Chapel or Chapels built there, and the Place fortified for your defense and protection.

That to convince the Great Queen ^{for Governor and his} ~~Her Government~~ of the sincerity of your Intentions in your allegiance and fidelity you will for the future receive no French Priests or Commissioners amongst you else we must not look upon you as sincere in the promise of keeping the Covenant chain bright.

I am concerned to hear of several complaints of the Inhabitants that live above Shinnectady who suffered much by your young men killing their creatures the last year and plundering their Houses. This is not fitting like Brethren and Friends I hope you will take care that be committed for the future.

I understand that diverse of your people design to go