

is in possession of this strong castle of Niagara, must effectually command the Messasagas, and may dictate to them what measures they think proper. From hence we are supplied with the very means of our subsistence, for we have now been so long diffused to bows and arrows, the weapons of our ancestors, that without ammunition we cannot subsist. The French were sensible of this our state of dependency, and accordingly they treated us, as if the Great Spirit had not created us of the same species with themselves; we groaned under their yoke, but had only this alternative to chuse; either implicitly to obey their commands, or perish thro' famine with our wives and children. We have now changed our masters, for our masters we must acknow-