

to the river St. Laurence, from whence in conjunction with their brethren of Oswegatchi and Coknahwaga, they would have made most bloody and perpetual inroads into our helpless provinces. Our quarrel with the Mihi-kandas had the same origin; and from the events of that quarrel, we may form a judgment of what we should have suffered from the resentment of the Mohawks, had this iniquitous scheme been farther prosecuted. The Mihi-kandas are a tribe of Indians, who inhabited the most fertile and delightful spots, upon the banks of Hudson's river, situated several miles above Albany; who after having been deprived of their lands by these fraudulent means, and procuring no redress from their remonstrances, solemnly denounced eternal war against us, and retired to the