

humbly request, as this event has opened so agreeable a prospect for spreading the gospel among the Heathen, that the Society would receive Mr *Occum* as their Missionary, with proper instructions, and liberty to draw upon them for such salary as they shall fix; and would commit the management of said mission, to those of the Correspondents who reside in this city, as we are most convenient to write to, or receive intelligence from that part of the wilderness.

*From the Rev. Mr Samuel Mather's Letter to Dr Wishart, dated Boston, 23d August 1761.*

I HAD lately some conversation with a plain well meaning person, who lived a few years among the *Oneyda Indians*, at a place called *Ohonoquagie*, about 200 miles from *Philadelphia*. He tells me, that there are about 300 souls there: That the *Tuscororoas* have two townships, each somewhat bigger than the *Oneyda*; and that about a hundred miles from this is the principal place of the *Oneyda*, which is considerable, and has a meeting-house built in it: That the people here are very desirous of Missionaries among them: That one *Peter* an *Oneyda Indian*, (instructed a few years ago by Mr *Halley*, then a Missionary), has taken a deal of pains to instruct them in Christian knowledge; and that he behaves well, and has done good among them, and when he performs divine service, they generally go to meeting: That about 16 miles to the west of *Ohonoquagie*, there are 200 *Indians*, who generally talk *English*, and who have an *Indian* teacher, who knows but little, tho' he seems well disposed. These *Indians* seem well prepared for an *English* Missionary; and they learn, by *Indians* from the further parts, that they also are desirous of being instructed in Christian knowledge.

*From Dr Chauncy's Sermon, on Occasion of Mr Bowman's Ordination as a Missionary to the Mohawk Indians, preached at Boston, 31st August 1762.*

THE providence of God, by so succeeding his *Britannic* Majesty's arms, as to put *Canada* into *English* hands, seems evidently to point our view to the numerous *Indian* tribes, in our western parts, making it our duty to endeavour to carry the gospel to them; since that, which has