

their towns upon the river Au Beuf; and if boys of fifteen and sixteen are allowed to be of the military age, I saw in that town alone more than an hundred Pensilvanian children, every individual of whom was so totally savagized, (if I may say so) that we could not extract a syllable of English from them. When we reflect on the horrible ravages these two nations (so trifling in their numbers) have committed in our colonies, we may, I think, form a proper idea of the dreadful light an Indian war ought to be considered in, how irresistible they are in their attacks, how secure from being attacked. Virginia, Maryland, Pensylvania and part of Jersey, from the Blue Mountains above one hundred miles in breadth and more than six hundred miles from north east to south west, one of the