

observed to be assisted by a considerable number of Indians, who had been long in the English alliance: Not a few of them were known to be Delawares, Shawanese, and of the Six Nations. On the surrender of our camp, they fell at once to pillaging the baggage and provisions, and not content with this, they afterwards shot some of the

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And as the English have a few horses or oxen, they are free to hide their effects, and come and search for them when they have met their horses: And that they may for this end have guardians, in what manner they please, upon condition that they will give their word of honour, not to work upon any building in this place, or in any part this side the mountains, during a year, to be accounted from this day. And as the English have now in their power an officer, two cadets, and most of the prisoners made in the assassination of *Sieur Defamouville*, that they promise to send them back to the *Fort De Du Querne*, situate on the *Fine River*: And for the security of this article, as well as this treaty, Mess. *Jacob Van Bracham* and *Robert Stobo*, both captains, shall be put as hostages, till the arrival of the *Canadians* and *French* above-mentioned. We oblige ourselves, on our side, to give an escort to return in safety these two officers; a duplicate being made upon or of the post of our blockade. July 3, 1754.

* They are called *Mingoes* by the southern Indians.

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