

Intelligence may be of service to the Publick
 We beg you to satisfy the bearer wth this
 Trouble and to favour us with what hopes you
 have of concluding a peace with the Eastern
 Indians or subduing them we are sorry for
 what happened at Northfield & Rutland on
 the 13 and 14th past which we conclude has
 been committed by that party we advised you
 of in our last the Express we sent was stop'd
 by one Merekuah Philips who told us Rutland
 was full of and Destroyed.

on his Maj. Service
 To Col^l Sam^l Patridge
 or any Justice of Peace
 in N: England

Albany 12th September 1723

May it please your Excellency

Our last to your Excell^y was the 3^d
 Instant since we received Intelligence that fifty
 Eastern Indians from Canada were gone out fighting
 towards N: England and that their Design is against
 those Settlements bordering on us we sent Immedi-
 ately on the 8th Instant thither an Express to
 advise them to be on their guard; By what we
 hear the Gov^r of Canada publickly encourages
 the Indians in this War against N: England and
 supplies them with Provision and Ammunition
 We can't imagine that he should have any such
 Directions from the French King to assist and
 encourage the Indians in time of Peace against
 the Subjects of great Britain, since there is
 such a strict and firm Friendship & Alliance
 between the two Crowns, it must be that the
 Gov^r has another view then merely to destroy
 and take a few poor people, we take leave
 to trouble your Excell^y with our thoughts on this
 head that by engaging his Indians in this
 War, and if our Nations should be engaged
 on our part against them will in Course
 involve this Province in the same neither
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