

should cement themselves together in one body and speak with one voice. 4th.—Five Hurons arrived with two scalps taken near Fort Jefferson. The Five Nations addressing the nations of the confederacy said they had come in consequence of the many invitations they had received; that the King, their father, had all along strongly recommended that they should remain peaceable, and they now advised them that if they could make an advantageous peace, to do so. They were pleased that the western Indians had so nobly defended their country. The Ohio was an excellent natural boundary and they recommended them at the risk of their lives to abide by it. They advised them to hold a treaty with the Americans and have some of the King's officers present, lest they should be taken advantage of. Oct. 5th—The Five Nations put in written speeches of the Americans that some of the King's people may explain them. The western Indians say written speeches are unintelligible to them and ask the Five Nations verbally to explain. The Shawanese and other chiefs remark to Colonel McKee that there was a great similarity between the speeches of the Five Nations and the United States, as they are constantly vibrating peace in their ears. 6th.—A private meeting was held with the Five Nations on account of the bad construction put on their words and a better understanding arrived at. 7th.—General Council. The Five Nations received the thanks of the Confederates. It was resolved that the Ohio should be the boundary and that they should in May following meet the commissioners of the United States and that some of the King's officers should be present and that the Americans should remove all their forts built in their country. Colonel McKee, Captain Bunbury, Mr. Selby and myself left the Glaize on our way to the rapids. In about five miles we met Brant with five of his men going to the Glaize, and on the 11th, Simon Girty, the interpreter, informed McKee that a party of 30 Hurons had gone reconnoitering. 13th.—Captain Brant returned to the rapids and seemed disappointed at the proceedings of the council. 14th.—Capt. Bunbury, Capt. La Mothe and myself, with the Five Nations and several nations of Lower Canada leave the rapids