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diffidence, nor even any refertment which they may harbour against us, for real or imaginary injuries, are, politically speaking, matters of very serious concern to us at present, whilst we are in possession of all Canada: but should

he received the letter he tore it to pieces and ftamp'd upon it, declaring himfelf fatisfied, and that it was impossible the great King of England fhould employ as his war captain a man who could be guilty of the meanness of lying, a vice peculiar to cowards. This Indian was ever after most steadily attached to us, and upon the death of Hendric became the leading man of the Six Nations. Not many days after this interview, he exhibited a most remarkable proof of his fidelity and attachment: he was taken prisoner by a party of French and their Indians, who bound him to a tree, and threatened him with immediate torture, unless he folemnly renounced all connection with the English. He laughed at their threats. and finging the glories of his own atchievements, and the power and greatness of the English nation, defy'd their tortures, and in this fituation he was rescued by his own son, with a party of chosen runners. This young warrior was afterwards most unfortunately killed in a miftake, by a provincial foldier, as he was returning from Fort du Quesne with intelligence.