

the Sasquahannah Indians were in a great measure put upon the War by a Party of French Delawares from the Ohio who came without previous Notice to Shamokin offerd them the Hatchet and did not allow them time to deliberate I am in hopes that an Accomodation will be brought about by the Six Nations and myselfe. This Suspension not extending over the Sasquahannah no alteration is made as to offensive War in those Parts.

I laid your last Letter and the Extract from the Act granting £40,000 for his Majesties Service before the Assembly heartily recommending it to them to enable me to act in conjunction with your Province and Virginia in the several matters for which Provision is made by both Governments, but they have not as yet vouchsafed to give me their answer and I am in no hopes of succeeding with them as the £60,000 is very near expended in putting the Province into a Posture of Defence and they have now adjourn'd themselves for three Weeks.

Scarroyady after advising a Declaration of War against the Delawares and joining with us in it has quitted this Province and is gone among the Six Nations to preside in some of their Councils which he did with the Approbation of S<sup>r</sup> William Johnson and perhaps at his Instance and he has carried with him all the Six Nation Indians who lived amongst us except two and these I have taken into the Employ of the Province as publick Messengers and they are going a second time to the Sasquehannah and upon their Return they have engaged to join the forces under Col<sup>o</sup> Clapham who will I hope before that be at Shamokin & the Fort be far advanced.

If I had any Indians that I could recommend to you as fit to undertake the Services you want them for I woud readily send them to you, I assure you there is nothing in my Power which I woud not do to serve you and I am sorry I cannot do it on this occasion.

By the last Ships I have Letters from the Proprietor wherein he tells me that he is likely to appoint M<sup>r</sup> Pownal to succeed me in this Government on the Recommendation of the Duke and Lord Halifax and he says further that he comes with Lord Loudon and is of his Cabinet Council.

I am with great regard

Sir  
your Most faithfull &  
Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Rob<sup>t</sup> H. Morris.