

hundred French with a Train of Artillery and a number of Indians which the French can always command to attend their Armies, especially if he is an Officer of Experience who is to conduct the Expedition, may find work enough for the Forces raised by the three Colonies tho' they were all dispersed in the manner they are.

Teedyuscung & the Indians with him who call themselves the confederated Ten Nations came well disposed for Peace and I have concluded with him a definitive Treaty of Peace, which was proclaimed at Easton and I think it was not possible for people to express more joy than these Indians did on the occasion. You will see by the Proclamation which is published in the Gazette that it is not a partial Peace with this Province only, but with all His Majesties Subjects.

The minutes are not yet transcribed, but when my little Arrear of Business occasioned by my absence is brought up, they shall be copied and sent you, The Indian complaints have been blown up by the Partisans and they have been weak enough to appear openly at this Treaty as the Advisers of the Indians & to persuade Teedyuscung, to commit the management of the Indians Cause to the Assembly, having first put him upon insisting on having a Clerk of his own, & when this was no longer opposed by me, upon chosing the Master of the Quaker Free School to take his minutes. The private History of this very extraordinary Treaty, the last I hope th' I shall ever be concerned in, woud afford good Entertainment had I time to go into the particulars.

I received by Express the inclosed Copies of Letters, One from General Webbs Aid de Camp & another from Captain Christie, Adjutant & Deputy Quarter Master General, w<sup>ch</sup> were enclosed by M<sup>r</sup> Kennedy President of the Council of New York who in the absence of the Lieutenant Governor transacts the publick Business. Their Contents are very important. If the Enemy be as numerous as is there mentioned, it must arise from the Reinforcement by the Brest Squadron. If they gain the Possession of Fort William Henry General Webb will not, I am afraid, be able to stop their Progress. Surely the Colonies will now exert themselves and lose no time to raise all the forces they can. I am

Sir

Your most obedient  
humble Servant  
William Denny

Please to forward the Intelligence  
to Gov<sup>r</sup> Dinwiddie.