

Lib. C. B. Onontago the Place where the Six Nations hold their Council, he then set out immediately, and about half way he overtook some of the Onontagers who had been at the last Indian Treaty in Philadelphia, amongst whom was Caxhayion One of the Chiefs of Onontago, who undertook to carry the Message to Onontago and manage it in the best manner and promised to bring down an Answer from the Council to Shikellimo, and so Shikellimo returned back and informed of it, since that he was informed by some Warriors that Caxhayion stayed a hunting by the way and had been neglectful in fulfilling his Promise and resolved to go to Onontago so soon as he possibly could, and he was making ready to go when the News of the Skirmish betwixt the Virginians and some of the Six Nation Warriors reached Shomakin, he then expecting a Message from Governor Thomas staid till that Message came, which was in the Beginning of February last, when I came to Shomakin with a Message from Governor Thomas to the Six Nations. I found Shikellimo very much concerned because for the Neglectfulness of Caxhayion, & as he together with Sagsidowa another Chief of the Six Nations, undertook to carry the Message to Onontago. We talked the Message from Gov^r Ogle over again, and he promised faithfully he

p. 190 would not leave Onontago till he had a full Answer, and he did not doubt a satisfactory One to the Governor of Maryland concerning his Affair, and as the unhappy Skirmish in Virginia gave an Occasion of a great deal of Discourse betwixt me and said Chiefs at Shomakin, they doubted whether the Chiefs of the Six Nations would come to Annapolis so near to the Virginians, who were no doubt inclined for a War, otherwise they would not have begun Hostilities in that manner as they did, but they told me they would come to the inhabited Part of Pensilvania & send for me to consult with me, and Shikellimo desired me to provide some Provisions about John Harris's ferry for them, which accordingly I did, and bespoke a hundred Bushels of Wheat for them at Joseph Chambers Mill near the s^d ferry which I think is not too much for their Coming and Going, and I promised Shikellimo handsome Reward for his Trouble and good Service, in hopes that the Government of Maryland will make my Promise good I did it by the Encouragement of Governor Thomas who assured me that it would be agreeable to that Government, and I think let things be as it will they the Chiefs of the said Indians may be prevailed with to come within the Borders of Maryland (if not to Annapolis) to treat with the Governor of that Province. Let him pitch upon a Place where Bread or Meal Beef or Mutton is to be had some Pipes good Tobacco, and some good Rum should not be forgot, and where they can get Bark to make little Wig