

The Virginians are notwithstanding one People, the Inhabitants of Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and of all the Provinces to the Southward are Brethren Subjects of the same great King, and they that are Friends to some of us must be Friends to all, you see then they are Friends of all, let us become one People, and unite against the French and their Indians our Enemies, let our Men go out to War with you, look on them as your Brethren, teach them to fight after your Manner, and then neither the French nor their Allies will be able to stand before you, for your Encouragement and as a Reward for those that fight bravely, I will give you a Present as large as that which I have now sent you (pointing to the small Parcel) for every two Enemies that you shall take Prisoners, and deliver up to me, or that you shall kill and bring me the Scalps of, or I will give you the Value thereof in Money. Let this sink deep into the Minds of your young Men, and let them remember my Promise in the Day of Battle. I have ordered Captain Beall who commands at Fort Frederick, and the Officer that commands the Men at Fort Cumberland to receive and at all times treat you and those of your Nation that shall join you as my best Friends, I have also notified your Arrival to your Brother of Pennsylvania, in this I hope I have done according to your Desire and that the Words which I have spoken are agreeable to you to confirm the Truth of them, and to convince you that they flow from my Heart, I give you this ^{the first} Belt gave a Belt, and the Answer with King.

After a short Pause we addressed ourselves to them again, and spoke to the following Effect:

Brethren

You have heard your Brother the Governor's Answer to your Message, you have also seen the Present which he sent you as a Mark of his Friendship, and to welcome you to this Province we are now to congratulate you in his Name on the Success which you have lately had against his and your Enemies, he was exceedingly pleased with the News, and for the Service you have already done he has ordered us to give you these Goods (pointing to the large Parcel).

Brethren

Now you have found where the Enemy is to be met with, we hope you will not suffer them to escape but on the contrary that you will pursue and overtake them, and destroy till none of them remain to inspire you with such a Resolution your Brother the Governor sends you this String. gave a String of black Hairpins.

After a few Minutes Wabachey rose up and said, he heard good Words, and then stepping up on one of the desks that were round the Table he harangued his People a considerable Time, repeating, as we were told by the Interpreters, the Substance of what we had said, and concluding with an Exhortation to the young Men, to look on the English and on the People of this Province in particular as their Friends and Brethren, to fight

bravely