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to the Royal American Regiment at New York and
~~directly but no doubt sent by some other route~~
~~via the Delaware.~~ I have not received any authentic circum-
stantial Account of the Siege & Surrender of Cowego but herewith
I transmit to Y^r L^{dy} in the Gazette such Particulars as are come
to us & which give us room to hope that the Indian Intelligence
about the Garrison's being massacred was without Foundation. Your
L^{dy} will also see by the Gazette that a Body of Men from Pens.^a
have lately made an Expedition to the Westward of the Allegany,
kills & destroyed an Indian Town situated on a Branch of the Ohio
about 25 Miles above Fort Duquesne. It is reported that three
or four Indians of the Six Nations that happened to be at Phila.
when Colo. Armstrong's Letter was received & published expressed a
good deal of Resentment & said that such hostile Attempts on their
Cousins the Delaware should not be long unrevenge'd; We are
also told that some of the pacific Gent^l of Pens.^a seem'd to be
surpriz'd at Armstrong's Proceedings & observ'd that the Assembly
did not grant Supplies for carrying on an offensive War but only
for the Defence & Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants, however
I hope this is the Sense of a very few & doubt not but the Conduct
of Colo. Armstrong will meet with general Approbation. Nothing
I am convinc'd could have render'd us so contemptible to the Sav-
ages as our continuing so long on the Defensive & Nothing but such
Expeditions into their Country will give them a better Opinion of us
or do them any Injury. The Pens.^a Assembly has at length after
some Altercation with their New Governor acted a more rational Part
than they have lately done tho' I do not think their Resolutions
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