

expected a Copy thereof did not make me a little suspicious  
 of his Integrity & fidelity. on account of this Step of his I am  
 told He urges the Importance of the Indians who were with  
 him & pressed him to let them know what Advice the Letter  
 contained: if that was the Case He ought by no means  
 to have taken such Measures to satisfy their Curiosity but  
 I cannot learn that they ever made him a Request of that  
 Sort or were very desirous of knowing the Contents of the  
 Letter: it has been also reported that Mr Croghan had  
 Remittances made him to pay the Indian who brought  
 him the Letter very handsomely but that he retained of  
 Money & delivered only a small parcel of Goods far inferiour  
 to it in Value. Information was also given me that by  
 forging & telling them false Stories he diverted a Number of  
 Indians from coming to the Camp at Mills Creek some time  
 ago in order to serve thereby some private Ends of his own.  
 if his Behaviour has deservedly subjected him to such Censures  
 you will I doubt not be able to make some Discovery &  
 deal with him as he might deserve. One Gerrard Pendi-  
 grasp an Indian Trader on Juniata has been represented  
 to me as a person well acquainted with the Back Country.  
 if you will order him to be enquired out & endeavour to  
 learn what Character he bears & if he is willing to attend  
 the Troops as a guide on Occasion you will much  
 oblige me

Annapolis Decem. 27. 1754 To Govern. Dinwiddie.

Sir I am informed that of Inhabitants or the Commissioners  
 of Indian Affairs at Albany have lately made a League of  
 Friendship for themselves & the Govt. of New York with