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Came Waffahadow Chief General & Councellor of the Susquehannah Nation & declared that understanding he was sent for to a Treaty at the head of the Bay he did in the Company of other the great men come down to the said Treaty that having understood from the Comm^{rs} appointed to treat with him that the English did suspect some of their nation to have committed these murders upon the English at the head of the Bay in Swan Creek he had acquainted the great men of the Nation at the Fort with it, & that he was now come down to account of what they say therein viz. that it being charged as a suspicion only they had Inquired of all the Troops that then were abroad towards the English & of every particular person that they could suspect whether they had killed any English yea or no? And it being constantly denyed by them all they took Council what to do & Resolved to send out Troops of Soldiers towards the Cinnagoes Enjoyning them to take what Prisoners they could alive & bring them to their Fort to be Examined whether their Nation had lately killed any English

That concerning the Silk Stuff which was found among the Susquehannah Indians that had been taken out of Hampering his House when the men were there murdered which gave the Cause of the suspicion they had also Inquired & charged the Indians that brought it to the Fort with the murder of the men who answered that they were employed by Capt. Tho: Stockell to pursue the murthurers that they had pursued them towards Bush River & found them by their feeling to be five in number & that at a place where they had rested under a Tree they had found the Silk Stuff which made only 3 poke bags & no more; that murder cannot be hid & if ever they find it hereafter they will reveal it. That he does desire that the English would not think that the murder was Comitted by them who depend upon the English for their Security

That the War was not begun by them but by the Cinnagoes that they have often sought peace & that lately with a vast expense of your Belts of Peak & had their Embassadors killed by them as they did carry it.

That there are two forts that have already killed of the English viz Quycooke & Oneandagehagh which two Forts with the Assistance of the English he doubteth not to take.

That he comes not now as bringing a present but naked that their Enemy in all the Forces are but 1400 & sixty men that the Susquehannaws are about 700 fighting men

Ordered that if he will stay while we confer with the Council House We will give him the resolutions of both houses with him.