

The Four *INDIAN* KINGS SPEECH

To Her M A J E S T Y.

L O N D O N, April 20. 1710.

Yesterday the Four Princes of the Continent of America, between New-England and Canada, had their Publick Audience of Her Majesty with great Solemnity, and by their Interpreter made the following Speech to Her Majesty.

GREAT QUEEN!

WE have undertaken a long and tedious Voyage, which none of our Predecessors could ever be prevail'd upon to undertake. The Motive that induc'd us was, that we might see our *GREAT QUEEN*, and relate to Her those things we thought absolutely necessary for the Good of *HER* and us Her Allies, on the other side the Great Water.

We doubt not but our *Great Queen*, has been acquainted with our long and tedious War, in Conjunction with Her Children (meaning Subjects) against Her Enemies the French; and that we have been as a strong Wall for their Security, even to the loss of our best Men. The Truth of which our Brother *Queder*, Colonel *Schuyler*, and *Anadagarjoux*, Colonel *Nicholson*, can testify, they having all our Proposals in Writing.

We were mightily rejoiced when we heard by *Anadagarjoux*, that our Great Queen had resolved to send an Army to reduce *Canada*; from whose Mouth we readily embraced our Great Queen's Instructions; and in Token of our Friendship, we hung up the *Kettle*, and took up the *Hatchet*; and, with one Consent, joined our Brother *Queder*, Colonel *Schuyler*, and *Anadagarjoux*, Colonel *Nicholson*, in making Preparations, on this side the Lake, by building Forts, Store-houses, Canows, and Battows; whilst *Anadastia*, Colonel *Vetch*, at the same-time raised an Army at *Boston*, of which we were informed by our Ambassadors, whom we sent thither for that purpose. We waited long in Expectation of the Fleet from *England*, to join *Anadastia*, Colonel *Vetch*, to go against *Quebec* by Sea, whilst *Anadagarjoux*, *Queder*, and We, went to *Mont-Royal* by Land; But at last we were told, that our Great Queen, by some important Affair, was prevented in Her Design for that Season. This made us extream Sorrowful; lest the *French*, who hitherto had dreaded Us, should now think Us unable to make War against them. The Reduction of *Canada* is of such Weight, that after the effecting thereof, We should have *Free Hunting*, and a great Trade with Our Great Queen's Children; and as a Token of the Sincerity of the Six Nations, We do here, in the Name of All, present Our Great Queen with these *BELTS* of *WAMPUM*.

We need not urge to our Great Queen, more than the necessity we really labour under obliges us, that in Case our Great Queen should not be mindful of us, we must, with our Families, forsake our Country and seek other Habitations, or stand Neuter; either of which will be much against our Inclinations.

Since we have been in Alliance with our Great Queen's Children, we have had some Knowledge of the *Saviour* of the World; and have often been importuned by the *French*, both by the insinuations of their Priests, and by Presents, to come over to their interest, but have always esteem'd them *Men of Falshood*: But if our Great Queen will be pleas'd to send over some Persons to instruct us, they shall find a most hearty Welcome.

We now close all, with Hopes of our Great Queen's Favour, and leave it to Her most Gracious Consideration.

