

altered their Conduct, the French would soon be uppermost in their Parts; As they Addressed themselves to the Governors of all the Provinces and were told that they should be made acquainted with their Complaints. The Council in Discharge of their Promise & Considering that your Province is, Equally with ours Exposed to Danger should these Indians for want of Proper Encouragement go over to the French, have thought it their Duty to send you a Copy of the Treaty held with those Ohio Warriors and of the Message of the Council & of the Answer of our Assembly wherein they Promise to Enable the Council to fulfill their Engagements of sending them a Present by M<sup>r</sup> Weiser in the Spring tho they were then supplied with a Considerable Quantity of Powder & Lead and Cloathing to help them through the winter, and most Earnestly requests that you would Lay these matters before your Assembly & recommend to them to Joyne with this Province & that of Virginia in making a Present to these Indians & if it shall be thought Proper, that there may be Appointed one or more Persons with full Power to Joyne with M<sup>r</sup> Weiser in any Measure that may be there thought to be most Conducive to the Publick good.

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M<sup>r</sup> Weiser was Ordered to Accompany & take Care of the Indians in their Return to Ohio as far as the Inhabited Part of the Country; and from what Passed between those Indians & Shick Calamy a Person of Character at Shamokin who happened to be at M<sup>r</sup> Weisers, on their Coming there; and Likewise from what was said by the Principal Indian Schaiohady at Parting with M<sup>r</sup> Weiser of all which He wrote on Account which is Copied & sent herewith I cannot think but the Person or Persons who go to Ohio may Do Extraordinary Service if they are well Supported by an Union of the Southern Provinces, since they will thereby be enabled to Give a Large Present & to Distribute it among the Indians according to their Numbers Dispositions and Influence as the same shall Appear to them upon the Spot.

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It may be Expected that the French will use their utmost Endeavours this winter to Corrupt the Indians, there is therefore a necessity that this Present be made to them early in the Spring & as the Time cannot be fixt untill I shall Receive your Answer I beg the favour of you to give this Affair which is of so much Importance to the Peace and Safety of the Publick all the Dispatch Possible.

I am with perfect Esteem your Excellencys most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

Anthony Palmer Presid<sup>t</sup>

His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq<sup>r</sup>

[Conrad Weiser to Richard Peters, Esq.: Council of Pennsylvania]

Dear Sir

By this I let you know that I arrived at my house the 21<sup>st</sup> of this Instant & found my family (thanks be to God) in a much better