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for our Forces there, and bringing the Cannon from thence.  
Order'd, That M<sup>r</sup>. Wheeler be appointed to Number the  
Small Colony Notes in the Room of M<sup>r</sup>. Gooding who has  
leave to go home.

The Committee appointed to consider the Letter from the  
Stockbridge Indians reported the following which were accepted  
and order'd to be authenticated by the Secretary, if the President  
is not in Watertown, and sent forward.

To the Moheakamuck tribe of Indians, living in and about  
Stockbridge.

Brothers! We this day, by the delegate from Stockbridge, first  
heard your friendly answer, to our speech to you by Cap<sup>t</sup> William  
Goodrich; which answer we are told you made to us immediately  
by a Letter, which we have not yet received. We now reply;  
Brothers! You say that you was once great, but that you  
are now little, and that we once were little, but are now great.  
The Supreme Spirit orders these things. — Whether we are  
little, or great let us keep the Path of Friendship clear, which  
our fathers made, and in which we have both travell'd to  
this time. — The friends of the wicked councillors  
of our king, fell upon us, and shed some blood, soon after  
we spake to you last, by our Letter. — But we with a  
small twig, killed so many, and frightened them so much  
that they have shut themselves up in our great town, called  
Boston, which they have made strong.

We have now made our hatchets, and all our instruments  
of War sharp, and bright. — all the chief councillors, who  
live, on this side the great water are sitting in the grand  
council house in Philadelphia, When they give the Word  
we shall all as one Man, fall on, and drive our enemies  
out of their strong Fort, and follow them till they shall  
take

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take their hands out of our Pouches, and let us sit in our council house, as we used to do and as our fathers did in old times

Brothers! — Tho' you are small yet you are wise Use your wisdom to help us. — If you think it best go and smoke your pipe with your Indian brothers towards the sitting of the sun, and tell them all you hear, and all you see, and let us know what their wise men say — If some of your young men should have a mind to see what we are doing here, let them come down, and tarry among our warriors. — We will provide for them, while they are here.

Brothers! When you have any trouble come and tell it to us, and we will help you.

To Capt. Solomon Ushannawauinnut Chief Sachem of the Meheahounuck Tribe of Indians at Rockbridge

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The Committee appointed to establish an allowance of Provisions for the Soldiers reported — The further consideration of the Report was put off to 9 o'clock to morrow morning.

A Colonels Commission was deliver'd to Col. John Fellows.

Col. Fellows  
Commissionated

Adjourn'd to 8. O'clock to morrow morning.

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A Petition from the Selectmen, & others of the Town of Manchester was read, and committed to the Committee who were appointed to consider the circumstances of the Sea-port towns.

Petition from  
Manchester

Col. Bowers, and M. Fisher who were of the Committee appointed to consider the Petition of the Convention of Committees of the County of Worcester being absent — Order'd, that