

THE COUNCIL OF CONNECTICUT TO SAMUEL APPLETON.

HARTFORD, Oct. 15th: 1675.

Yours of October y^e 14th came to us this day, who doe well resent the courage and readiness therein manifested to be in action agaynst the enemy, and doe thither refer the urgent invitations to have our forces joyned to yours, according to the Commissioners' order, and doe refer you to the long lyinge of our full number of our forces with you before yours were ready, as a demonstration of our forwardness in this good cause; but further to sattisfy all scruples, you may please to understand that our Councel's calling for Major Treat (from the place where he lay in garrison) hither with y^e party that came with him, was the apearance of the enemy in these parts as was reported; unreadiness of your full number and Major Pynchon's permission therof, and some other occasions we had with the Major, not convenient heer to mention; and sinc his cominge we have received intelligence from the Reverend Mr. James Fitch of Norwich, that Phillip with four hundred men, had determined this day to fall uppon Norwich, with Importunate request of some ayd to prevent it; whereuppon we could not but comply so far as to send forty of those men, who marched away the last night before your letter came, and y^e Pequott and Moheage Indians who were heer ready with ours to come to you, returned home to defend their own