

received with such open-hearted confidence, & treated with such cordiality & kindness as to completely disarm them of their purpose.

They came forth not against such persons, but against their enemies. They thirsted for the blood of those who had injured them; but these children of peace, unarmed & entirely defenceless, met them only with accents of love & deeds of kindness. It was not in the heart of even of a savage to harm them. On leaving the Quaker's house, the Indians took a white feather, & stuck it over the door, to designate the place as a sanctuary not to be harmed by their brethren in arms. Nor was it harmed, the war raged all around it; the forest echoed often to the Indians yell, & many a white man's hearth was drenched in his own blood; but the Quakers humble abode gently waved the white feather of peace, & beneath it his family slept without harm or fear." Christian Reformer

+ The Christian Indians

A large body of Indians had been converted to the Christian religion by the Moravian Missionaries & had formed settlements in the West (as eastern Ohio was then called) & being located in the scene of former Indian conflicts, they were seen

whites & hostile Indians, in the time of the Revolutionary War. Having adopted the principles of the Christian Religion, they were particularly obnoxious to the surrounding tribes, & naturally expected to be attacked by them, in their helpless condition.

A party of about two hundred Hurons, led on by one of their War Chiefs, had determined on their destruction, & with hostile demonstrations approached their settlement.

These Christian Indians had received Christianity as a religion of Peace & simplicity, & acting upon the injunction of the apostle Paul "If thine enemy hunger feed him," they sent a deputation with refreshments & told them that their new religion taught them to be at peace with all men. Instead of being met with force of arms, the invading force was hospitably entertained. Before leaving them the Chief of the Hurons said to them, that he was out with a war party; his heart had been evil - his aim had been blood; but the soft words of his brethren had opened his eyes; he would do them no harm. "Obey your teachers" said he, "worship your God, & be not afraid."

So saying he left them & returned to his own country, leaving the village of the Christian Indians as he found it.