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JANUARY 1ST 167 ^{$\frac{2}{3}$} TO OCTOBER 19TH 1675

INTRODUCTION

THIS volume of Collections of the Society for 1913, the forty-sixth of the series, contains copies from original manuscripts in the Archives of the Society, consisting of:

I. Original Book of New York Deeds, January 1, 1673, to October 19, 1675. These deeds are not recorded in the Register's office of this County.

II. Miscellaneous Documents relating to the City of New York and Long Island, 1642 to 1696.

III. The Melyn Papers, 1640-1699. A small collection of original manuscripts and contemporary copies mainly relating to Staten Island.

A list of the Subscribers to the Publication Fund and Shareholders by Transfers to September 1st 1914, has been added to this volume.

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BOOK OF NEW YORK DEEDS

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[Original Endorsed]

“No. A.

Records of Transport Begin in
(1672) and End in 1675.”

[New] Yorke the first of Jannry 1672/73

Did: Simon Jansz Romeyn of this [Citty of] New Yorke by Vertue of a Transport from the Worshippll Mayor and Aldermen of this Citty baring Date the 16th Day of Aprill ao. 1667, and for & in concideration of Certaine sume of monny to him in hand paid by Maria Tayne Widdow & Relict of Philip Cassier deceased; Transport and make over unto the said Maria Tayne a Certaine house and Lott of ground setuate Lying and being wthin this Citty, on the southside of the markevelt street abutting wth the northside upon the said Street w:th the Eastside upon the ground of Jan Evertse Bout, wth the Southside upon the ground of Jacob Teunisz and wth the Westside upon the house and land of Jacob Leendertz; Containing on the northside six Rod foure and a halfe Rods foot on the Eastside foure rod & one foot and there Running out w:th a squire of six and one quarter foot; and Running from the said squire upon the same Course twoo Rods three & a Halfe foote, and on the westside five rod three foot and nine Inches all hollands Land measure; as more at Large doth appeare by the said Transport Signed by the said Simon Jansz in the presens of the alderm: Johannes De Pyster and Secrety Nicolaes Bayard. —

The 20th of Jann[ry]. —

Did Jacob Hendriksz Varrevanger Executor of the Estate of Maria Poulet deceased and atturnie of John Gerrardy, for and in Concideration of Certaine Sume of monny—To him the sd. Varrevanger in hand paid by Hendrik obe of New Yorke, Transport & make over unto the said Hendrik obe a Certaine peece or tract of Land Lying and being neare unto helgate uppon Long Island, betwixt the Land of Jan Van Leyden & the Land of Theunis Kray, Containing in breadth to the north by the River Syde Seventie fyve Rod, behinde the Like, In Lenght on each Syde twoo hundred Rod; amounting in all to about fifty acres or twentie fyve morgen; w:ch said transport was Signed by him the said Jacob Varrevanger in the prsence of the aldermen Johannis De Pyster & Nicolaes Bayard, Secrett:

On The First day of February 1672/73 was the The above mentioned peece of Land and promisses, wth all & Singuler the appurtenances, thereunto belonging Transported & made over unto Mr. Thomas Lawrence of Long Island his heirs & assignes; wch: said transport was signed by him the said obe in the prsence of the alderm: Johannes De Pyster & Mee N. Bayard Secretry: —

Ao. 167 $\frac{2}{3}$ february the 2d —

on the 4th day of Jannry Did Thomas [Wandell] of mespath Kills on Long Island; for a Vallu[able] Concideration to him the said Wandell in hand paid Transport and make over unto Coenraet Ten Eyck of this Citty, Shoemaker a Certaine house & Lott of ground scituate Lying and being wth in this Citty, to the north of the higestreet haveing on the East the house & Ground of Dirck Jansz Van deventer on the south the said Higestreet, on the west the house & ground of Johannes Witthart, and on the north

the brewhouse of michill Johnson; Containing on the northsyde one & thrity foot & Eight Enches on the East & West sids seven Rod, seven foot & fyve Inches, and on the southsyde Twentie Six foot & foure Inches hollands wood measurre, wch said house & ground was by the said Wandel sould unto Wessel Ten Broek and sence by the said Wessel sould unto the above sd: Counraet Ten Eyck; as more at Large doth appeare by the sd: Transport signed by him the sd: Wandel in the prsence of alderm: Johannes DPyster, & Nicolaes Bayard, Secretary, —

167 $\frac{2}{3}$; 25 februy

Did Jan Vingie of this Citty for a valluable Concideration to him in hand paid by Dirck Siecken of this Citty husbandman Transport and make over unto the said Dirck Siecken; a Certaine parcell of Land Lying & being on this Island manhatans, without this Citty Land Gate, on the westside of the highway, haveing on the northside his Royal Hignesses farme, and on the southside the Land of Olof Stevensz, Contain: in breadth before & behind Eighteene Rod & 7/10 part of a Rod, In lenght from the highway to the waterside; as more at Large doth appeare by the prcipal deed of sale Signed by the sd: Jan Vingie in the prsence of the alderm: Olof Stevensz & the Secretary N: Bayard —

[Ao] 167 $\frac{2}{3}$; —

On the 25th day of Jann[ry] 167 $\frac{2}{3}$ —:

Did Geertie hoppen Late widdow of Andries Hoppen deceased, Simon Jansz Romeyn and Lammert huybertse moll, Tutors & Gardians of the Children of the said Andries hoppen deceased; For and in Concideration of Certaine Sume of monney to them in hand paid by Giourt olphertse of the Citty New Yorke meason. Transport and make over unto the said Giourt olphertse his heirs and assignes, a Certaine house or Tennement wth: a Lott of Ground, scituate Lying

& being wth: in this Citty in the broadway betwene the Lott of David Provoost and that of Gerrit Vulleever, Containing in breadth before towards the Street twoo Rod seven foot, and behinde twoo Rod three foott. In Lenght on the southside fourtheene Rod and twoo foot, and on the northside thirteene Rod nine foot; as more at Large doth appeare by the sd: deed of sale Signed & Sealed by the sd: Widdow & Guardians in the prsence of the aldermenn olof Stevensz Cortlant & Nicolaes Bayard Secretary —

february 26th 167 $\frac{2}{3}$: —

Did Samuell Edsall of the province of New Yarsie, for a valluable Conclideration to him in hand paid by Gelyn Verplank of this Citty New Yorke, Transport & make over unto the sd: Gelyn Verplanck his heirs and assignes, a Certaine house and Lott of ground Scituate Lying and being wth: in this Citty at the watersyde on the Eastside of another house & ground of Samuell Edsall aforementioned on the southsyde of the Street Called the Bridge Streete and on the westside of the house & Ground Heretofore belonging unto Frans van Hoghten decesed Itt being the hou[se] & Lott Sould in publicq outcry on the 22 of September 1670 by Nicolaes Jansz Backer unto the sd: Edsall as by the Transport from the said Backer more at Large doth appeare Containing In Lenght & breadth, as in the pattent off Confirmation baring date the 25th Day of Octobr: 1667; more plainely doth appeare. Wch sd: Transport was Signed by the sd: Samuel Edsall in the prsence of aldermn: Johannis De Pyster & the Secretary Nicholaes Bayard.

March the first Ao: 167 $\frac{2}{3}$; —

Did Cornelis Clopper atturnie of Willem abramse vander Borden Jacob Kip and Peter Nys, Curatuers of the Estate

of Bartelmaen & Geertie Broeders; for a Valluable Consideration, to them in hand paid by Poulus Turek of this Citty New Yorke, Transport and make over unto the said Poulus Turek his heirs and assignes a Certaine house and Lott of ground belonging to the sd: Wm Abramsz and Geertie Broeders Scituated Lying and being wth: in this Citty to the East of the moate or Ditch, comonly called the prince Graght, abutting or adjoyning on the noth to the Ground of willem Jansz, on the East that of albert Trompetter, on the South, to the ground heretofore belonging unto dowe Harmense, and on the west the said moate or Graght, Containing on the westside in breadth Twentie fyve foot and on the East Twentie fyve ffoote foure Inches and a halfe; In Lenght on the northside foure Rod nine footte and one Inch, and on the south fyve Rod; w:ch said house & appurtenances was at a publicq outcry held New Yorke on ye 9th of Xbr 1669; Exposed to sale by ye sd: Atturnie and Curat:rs & Likewise then Sould unto Stoffel Van Laer and Sence againe by ye sd Van Laer to John Garland, and by ye Garland on the 2d: of Septembr 1671 Sould unto the sd: Poulus Turek as by the original Transport hereof signed by them the sd: Clopper & Curat:rs in ye prsence of ye alderm: Johannes De Pyster & Secretary Nicolaes Bayard—more att Large doth & may appeare: ———

March the 2d: Ao: 167 $\frac{2}{3}$: ———

Did Poulus Turek of New Yorke for a valluable Consideration, to him in hand paid by Willem Waldron alsoo of this Citty Cooper, Transport and make over unto the said Willem Waldron—his heirs and assignes, all his the sd: Tureks Right Tytle Clayme & Intrest to the house & Lott of ground above mentioned, In such manner & forme as the Same was Transported unto him the sd: Poulus Turek on the first of this Instant month of march, by the Cornelis Clopper atturnie of willem Abramsz as more at Large doth appeare by ye: sd: Transport signed by the sd:

Poulus Turek In the prsence of ye alderm: Johanniss De Pyster & Nicol Bayard Secrety. —

March the 25th Ao: 1673: —

Did Hendrick Obe of this Citty ffor and in Concideration of Certaine sume of monny to him the said Obe in hand paid by Luykas van Thienhoven also of this Citty Transport and make over unto, the said Luyckas van Thienhoven his heirs and assignes, a Certaine house and Lott of Ground, Scituate Lying and being wthin this Citty, to the north of the Pearle Streete betwixt the housing of Claes Bording and Joris Rapalye Conteyning in Lenght and breath as in the pattent of Confirmation, from Governr: Richard Nicolls bareing date the 23th of July ao: 1667; more plainely is Exprest and as the same is Encompassed in itt's ffences; w:ch said Transport was signed by the said Hendrick Obe in the prsence of the Alderm: Johannes De Pyster and the Secretary Nicolaes Bayard —

Ditto

[March the 25th Ao: 1673:]

On the ffirst day of february Last past Did Mr: William Darvall, of this Citty for a valluable Concideration to him in hand paid by Willem Isacqse Van Vredenburg also of this Citty; Transport and make over unto the sd: Van Vredenburg; a Certaine house & Lott of ground, scituate Lying and being wthin this Citty, to ye west of the street Commonly Called the heere Street or bredewegh haveing to the north the house and ground heretofore belonging unto Cornelis Pluvier w:ch is now the Lutheran Church, and to the south the garden, heretofore belonging to ye westindia Company; Containing in breadth before to the Street on the East

Syde foure Rod & seven Inches, and on the westside Seven Rod, In Lenght on the north & southsyds Seven Rod, Six ffoote and foure Inches; as by the sd: Transport Signed by the sd: William darvall in the prsence of the alderm: Cornelis Van & the Secretary Nicolaes Bayard more at Large doth appeare; —

April the 30th Ao: 1673; —

On this day Hendrik Jansz Van Beest living on this island Manhatans has conveyed and ceded to and in behalf of Hendry Peers, also living on this island Manhatans certain parcel of land situated on this aforesaid island about the farm of the Heer [Mr.] Petrus Stuyvesant between the land of Jan Pietersz, Eastward and Jan Thomassen, Westward. Is long, South & North ninety four rods, broad in the middle eleven rods. And such by virtue of a conveyance by Hans Jacob, dated Feb. 12, 1668/9 executed in behalf of the aforesaid Hendrik Jansz, as is more explicitly shown in the conveyance signed and sealed by the aforesaid Hendrik Jansz Van Beest in presence of the Secretary Nicolaes Bayard and Ephraim Herman.

[Translated from the Dutch.]


Ditto:—

[April the 30th Ao: 1673:]

On the first day of July ao: 1671; Did Peter Stoutenburg & Jan Vingie Executrs: of the Estate of Rachell van Thienhoven deceased and Luyckas van Thienhoven heir of the said Thienhoven, Transport and make over unto John Smedes of this Citty Carman, a Certaine farm or Bowry of the sd: Thienhoven deceased, together w:th a dwelling house, Barne, oarcherd, Cornefield & pasture ground and other the ap-

purtenances, as by the Condit[ion] of sale bearing date the 13th of october Last past at Large is set forth; Scituate Lying and being uppon this Island manhatans abutting wth the north syde uppon the Land of willem Beeckman wth the East Syde uppon the houses & Lotts in Smiths valley wch Lotts heretofore are sould and Transported out of the Gennerall ground brief wth ye southsyde uppon the pasture of oloff stevensse, & ye Lane Called the maegdepaetie and wth ye westsyde uppon the highway, & accordingly now is Encompassed & Comprehendd in itt's fences, being all the Land in ye said Pattent Seth forth; that is to say soo much as of the sd: Land remains untransportd as by the Transport signed by the sd: Executrs: & heir in the prsence of Wm Darval.

Apprill the 30th Ao: 1673: —

Did Jan Smedes of this Citty, Transport and make over unto Coenraet Ten Eyck, Jacob Abramse, Carsten Leursen and Jan herberding of the Citty aforesaid, a Certai[ne] peece of Land Lying and being on this Island manhatans, on this syde of the ffresh water, beginning at the Corner of the Lane Called 't maegde paetie, and Running ffrom thence along the said Lane; uppon a southeast Lyne, to the Corner of Mr: olof Stevensse Cortlants pasture, and further allongst the sd: Pasture to the orchard of the said Smedes, (: w:ch orcherd, together w:th the slip of ground thereunto annex is excluded out of this Sale:) and from thence, alongst the fence of the sd: orcherd uppon a Straight Lyne, to the Land of Mr: William Beeckman, uppon a post marked  and from the said marked post, alongst the Land of ye said Beekman uppon a westerly Lyne to the Corner of the highway, before the house, where dirck Sieken now Lives in, and further from the said Corner alongst the said highway to ye Corner of 't maegde Paetie aforementioned; Itt being part of the Land

w:ch was heretofore by the Curat:rs and heirs of Rachell van Thienhoven Transported unto the sd: Smedes; Contain[ing] in Lenght & breath as the same now is Limited & Encompassed in itt's fences; and the said John Smedes Likewise aknowledged to have received full satisfaction: for the same prmisses w:ch said Transport was Signed by the sd: Jan Smedes; In the prsence of Johannis d' Pyster alderm: & Nicolaes Bayard, Secretary.

May the first Ao: 1673; ———

Did John Reay of this Citty pypmakr: for a valluable Consideration to him in hand paid by Richard Tincker alsoo of this Citty, Transport and make over unto the said Richard Tincker his heirs and assignes his Right Tytle and intrest in a Certaine Lott of ground, Lying and being wth in this Citty to the south of the street called the prince Street, to ye west of Susanna the Negro, and to ye East of Jan Hendrikse van Bommel, containing as more at Large may appeare by the former Transport and deed of sale from Gerrit Janse van arnhem to Nicolaes Du Pui of date the 26th day of aprril 1667 w:ch Transport was Signed by the sd: John Reay In the prsence of Johannes De Pyster, & Secretary Nicolaes Bayard ———

May the 5th Ao: 1673; ———

Did Marten Janse Myer of this Citty, Blacksmith, for a valluable Consideration to him in hand paid by Abell Hardenbrook also of this Citty Shoemaker; Transport and make over unto the said Abell Hardenbrook his heirs and assignes, a Certaine house and Lott of ground Scituate Lying & being wth in this Citty, to the East of the Smiths Streete,

haveing to the South the ground heretofore belonging unto burger Joris to the East the ground of Govert Loockerman deceased, and to the west the said Street Containing on the Eastsyde nine and twenty foote, on the westsyde along the streete nine & thirty foote & eight Inches; In Length on the Southsyde Sixty Eight foote three Inches and on the north syde, sixty fyve foot; wch transport was Signed by the sd-Marten Myer In the prsence of aldermen olof Stevense Cort: lant Johannes De Pyster & Nicolaes Bayard Secretary —

Ao: 1673; —20th: of May; —

Did adriaen van Laer of this Citty Shoemaker (for a valluable Consideration to him in hand paid By Bay Croesvelt of this Citty aforesd Hatter:) Transport & make over unto ye: said Bay Croesvelt his heirs & assignes, a Certaine house and Lott of ground Cituate Lying & being wthin this Citty, to ye north of ye high street haveing to ye west the housing & ground of Jacob Abramse to ye north ye Slyck-streete to ye East the house of John Cooly Smith & to ye South ye Streete aforementioned: Containing in Breadth on ye Southsyde, Eighteene foote wood measure on the northsyde the Lyke In Lenght on ye Eastsyde Seven rod nine foote Six Inches and on the westsyde Seven Rod Eight foote Seven Inches allwood measure as by the sd: transport Signed by the sd:

May the 20th—Ao: 1673; —

Did Carsten Leurse of this Citty Shoemaker (for a valluable Consideration, to him In hand paid by Coenraet Ten Eyck, Jacob Abramse Sandford & Jan Herberding;) Transport & make over unto the said Coenraet Ten Eyk Jacob Abramsz & Jan Herberding their heirs & assigns, and unto each of them; one Equall quarter part of a Certaine Lot, of ground wch was on the 20th of Septemb 1672; Trans-

ported unto ye sd Carsten Leursz by Adriaen Van Laer, Lying wthin this Citty; together wth a house, Barkemill and other ye buildings thereuppon, or in any wyse thereunto belonging or appurtaining, wch sd; Transport was signed by the sd Carsten Leursz in the presence of Nicholas Bayard Secretary & Ephraim Herman; —

New Yorke Ao: 1673; May the 24th

Did Eghbert Wouterse of this Citty for a valluable Con- sideration, to him in hand paid, Transport and make over unto Jacob Abramse also of this Citty—Schoemaker his heirs and assignes, The one halfe part of a Lott of ground, to wit the west syde thereof; together wth an old tennement thereuppon, scituate Lying & being wthin this Citty to the North of the Bevers graght. and to the east of the house and Lott of hendrik Janse Vander Vin. The whole Lott Con- taining as appears by the former Transport of John Snediker, on the Southsyde Eight Rod six foote, on the eastsyde fourteene Rod Ten foote and on ye westsyde seven Rod and nine foote, wch said Transport was signed by the said Egbert Wouterse, In the presence of Aldermn; Olof Stevense & Secretary Nicholas Bayard; —

Ao; 1673; The 26th of May; —

Did Assur Levy of this Citty Merchant for a valluable Con- sideration to him in hand paid By Jan Herberding also of this Citty—Transport & make over unto the sd Jan Herberding his heirs & assigns a Certaine house and Lott of ground, wthin this Citty, scituate Lying and being on the northsyde of the highstreete, abutting or ajoyning on the east to the house & ground of david Jochemse, on the south to ye said Streete—on the west to the house and ground of wessell Evertse Bout, and on the north to a Cer-

taine Lane or Streete Commonly Called the Slycke Streete, Containing on the southsyde Twenty one foote and thre Enches. on the North Twenty one foote & six Inches, on the Eastsyde seven Rod & foure foote and six Inches—and on the westsyde seven Rod Eight foote and seven Inches; as more at Large is set forth In the said Transport—signed by the Sd Assur Levy In the Presence of Aldermn; Johannes De Pyster, & Nicholas Bayard Secrets; —

Primo June Ao: Domm: 1673; —

Did Carsten Leurse of this Citty Shoemaker for a valuable concideration to him in hand payd, by Jacob DeHaert also of this Citty; Transport & make over unto the said Jacob De Haert his heirs & assignes a Certaine stone dwelling house and Lott of ground, scituate Lying and being wth in this Citty on the Strand of the East River, haveing to the East the Lott of Govert Loocquermans deceased, and to the west the house & ground of Mr Johannes Van Brugh, Containing according to the Surveig of the Survr Jacques Corteljou In breadth on the southsyde, before towards the streete four Rod and seven Inches, behind on the north End the Lyke, In Lenght on the Eastsyde, beginning from the Corner of the sd house and Running to the Gutter or ditch twelve Rods and on the westsyde 12 Rods & 2 foote wch sd transprt; was signed in ye presence of Aldermn; Olof Stevensz, Johann: D Peyster & N Bayard Secretary. —

New Yorke Ao Dom; 1673; —

June the first Did Jacob Hendriksz Varrevanger of this Citty Chirurgeon, (for a valluable concideration to his full satisfaction and Content, to him In hand paid by Gerrit; Janse Stavast of Nova Albany;) Transport & make over unto

the sd Gerrit Janse Stavast his heirs and assignes a Certaine, house and Lott of ground, scituate Lying & being wthin this Citty New Yorke to the East of the Streete called the Smiths Streete, haveing to the north and Eastsyds the house and ground heretofore belonging to the aforesaid Jacob Varrevanger, now belonging to Mr Wm Patterson to the South the ground of Mettie Juriaens and to the West the said Smiths Streete,—containing according to the Surveigh of the Sworne Surveigr Jacques Corteljou on the southsyde thereof three Rod and one foote on the northsyde twoo Rod twelve foote on the Eastsyde Six Rod, and one foote, and on the westsyde thereof Six Rod and three tenth parts of of a Rod all wood measure wch sd Transport was signed by the sd Jacob Hendrik Varrevanger In the presence of Aldermn; Johannes DePyster & the Secretry Nicolaes Bayard; —

On the 2d day of July Ao; 1673; was the house & ground above mentioned, By Gerrit Janse Stavast Transported & made over unto John Reay of this Citty Pypmaker, together wth al the appuertenances as by the sd transport signed by the sd Gerrit Janse In the presence of Olof Stevense & Nicolas Bayard Secretary more at Large doth appeare; —

New York Ao 1673; —

July the 10th did Jacob Strycker of Flat-Bush on Long Island for a Certaine sune of monny to him in hand Paid by Nicholas Bayard Secretary of the Mayrs Court in New Yorke, Transport and make over unto Tymon Van Borsum of the Citty aforesd shoemaker, a Certaine Lott of ground Lying and being, wthin this Citty, to the West of the Streete called the Smiths Streete, Haveing to the South the Lott of Gosen Vinge To the North the Lott heretofore belonging to daniell Gabrie, To the west the Lott or garden of Isacq Forrest, and to the East the Streete aforementioned, Contain-

ing on the East and westsydes twenty five foote, In lenght from the sd Smits Streete to the Garden of Isacq Deforeest; wch said Lot by the aforesd—Nicolas Bayard is Changed, against an other Lott of the sd Van Borsums; wch said Transprt was signed By the sd Jacob Strycker In the presence of

Appeared before me Nicolaes Bayard, Secretary of the City of New Orange the worthy Albert Pietersz Trompetter, burgher and inhabitant of this City, who in the presence of the subscribed Messrs Schepens (by virtue of certain deed of Mr Petrus Stuyvesant, dated July 1, 1652 & confirmation of the same by Col Richard Nicolls under date of Feb 14, 1667) declared to cede, transfer and convey in a right true and free ownership to and in behalf of Mr Gabriel Minvielle, Merchant within this City, a certain his house & lot with everything on and in the same fixed to the earth and fastened by nail, with such passive & active services and rights as the said Albert Pietersz has possessed and owned the same, as the said house and lot is fenced in, erected and confined, standing and situated within this city in the Sheep Meadow, now named the Prince's Street broad on the South side of the Street three Rods one foot in the rear broad on the North side two rods and seven feet; long on the East side Nine rods seven feet and on the West side ten rods; all free and unencumbered without any charge neither resting on nor emanating from the same, excepting the Lords right, For which said house and lot said Albert Trompetter acknowledged and declared to be well and thankfully satisfied and paid. Consequently said Albert Trompetter in behalf of the said Gabriel Minvielle declares to cede and convey all property right, claims and pretensions he has possessed in said house and lot, promising not to proceed nor cause to be proceeded against the same either in law or otherwise, pledging his person and goods,

real and personal none excepted. In testimony of the truth the present has been subscribed to by the grantor besides the Messrs Schepens at New Orange on the island Manhatans, September 30, 1673. Guilain Verplanck.

This is
made by
Pietersz
[alias]
himself.



the mark
Albert
Swart
Trompetter

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

The 30th of September 1673.

On the 10th day of July Last past did Stephanus Van Cortlant Attorney of Teunis Tempier of Albany, (now called willemstadt) for the sune of fourteene hundered Guilders, to him in hand paid Transport & make over unto Henry Bresier of this Citty a Certaine house & Lott of ground scituate lying & being wthin this Citty to the west of the Cingell, Containing in breadth before towards the said Cingell or Streete, and behinde where itt adjoynes upon the ground of Govert Loockermans, Thirty foot wood measure In length to the south where it adjoynes upon the ground of Rynier Rycken, Eight Rod & one foot, and to the north, where itt adjoynes to ye house & Lott of Jacob Janse Moesman, nine Rod & three foot wood measure wich said Transport was Signed & Sealed by the said Stephanus van Cortlant in the presence of alderman; Olof Stevensz, Johannes De Pyster & Ephraim Hermans, Clerq. —

16 September

On the 10th day of June Last past did Marrettie Jans widdow of Govert Loockermans deceased, Balthasr Bayard-Hans Kiersteede & Jacob Loockermans by his Gardian Johannes De Peyster, Lawfull heirs of the sd Govert Loockermans, for a valluable Conideration to them in hand paid, by Johannes Van Brugh; of this Citty Merchant, Transport & make over unto the sd Johannes Van Brugh, his heirs & assignes a Certaine house & lott of ground, scituate & being within this Citty, to the East of the Smiths Street, to the north of Marten Myer Smith, and to the south of Mettie Juriaens Conteining on ye westsyde seventy three foot on the East syde fourthy six foot and a half on the north syde, fifty four foot & eight Inches and on the southsyde seventy eight foot and a half wood measure, the widdow Reserves out of the said Lot, on the Southsyde thereof, a Stroke of 6 foot in bread for a water course, as more at Large may appeare by the original Transport Signed & Sealed by the widdow & heirs & Olof Stevensz Cortland, Aldermn —

Appeared before me Nicolaes Bayard Secretary of this City of New Orange the worthy Mr Simon Jansz Romeyn in his quality of attorney for Hans Dreper living at Willemstad, as per power of attorney passed before the Notary Willem Bogardus and witnesses, dated May 5, 1670, and also shown to me Secretary on this date. Said Romyn (in his aforesaid quality, by virtue of certain deed by Governor Stuyvesant and the confirmation of the same by Govr Richard Nicolls dated May 13, 1667), declared to cede, transfer and Convey in right true and free ownership, to and in behalf of James Mathews, inhabitant of this City of New Orange certain the said Hans Dreper's house & lot standing and situated within this city on the Strand,

about the New Bridge, opposite the house and lot of Hendrik Willemse Backer, wide on the Street or Northside two rods seven feet eight inches, on the South side two rods five feet; long on the Westside three rods, and on the East side two rods three feet and three inches, and further in the same condition as said house and appurtenances of the same has been possessed and occupied till this date by the said James Matheuws, [sic]; he the grantor declaring to convey said house and lot to said James Mathews with such passive and active services and rights as the same has been possessed and owned by the said Hans Dreper, free and unencumbered, without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. He grantor in his said quality and as having been specially and perfectly empowered for this purpose by said Dreper, desisting from all claims and pretences of ownership which said Dreper or any one by his order might have or advance, further promising to hold observe and execute this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to secure the same against all ulterior claims, binding his person and goods, real and personal, submitting the same to all courts and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this present has been subscribed to by the grantor besides the undersigned Messrs Schepens, with their own hands, at New Orange, February 14, 1674.

Johannes Depeyster
 Johannes Van Brugh

Simon J. Romeyn

In my presence

Ephraim Herman, Clerk

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the worthy Cathalyne Rappalje, widow, of the deceased Joris Rapalje, living in the Waele Boght [Wallabout] on Long Island who acknowledged

and declared by virtue of certain deed from Governor Fran: Lovelace dated May 13, 1671, to cede, Convey and transfer in a right true and free ownership to and in behalf of Jeremias Jansz Westerhout, burgher and inhabitant of this City, certain her house and lot, standing and situated within this city in the Pearl Street between the house and lot of Isacq Grevenraet and Hendrik Obe, size; on the South side on the Street one rod four feet and a half; on the Northside one rod and one half foot, on the Westside three rods and two feet, and on the East side three rods and two feet; besides further by virtue of said deed a certain slip or portion of a lot, wide on the southside twenty one feet three inches in the rear on the Northside Nineteen feet and a half, on the Eastside one hundred and eight feet and on the Westside one hundred and eleven feet, and further with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the said Cattalyne Rapalje has possessed and occupied the same free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said house and lot in regard to purchase, conveyance and transfer said Cattalyne Rapalje acknowledged and declared to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid by said Jeremias Jansen. Therefore she the grantor, in behalf as stated before, declares to convey and cede all property right, claims and pretences which she the grantor or anybody in her behalf might or should advance on the said house and appurtenances of the same, promising neither to proceed nor cause to be proceeded against this present either in law nor otherwise, binding her person and goods, real and personal none excepted submitting to all courts and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth the grantor besides the Messrs Schepens have subscribed to the present in New Orange, February 19, 1674.

Johannes Van Brugh
Guilain Verplanck

This is  the mark

made by Catlaine Rappalje
Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of N. Orange in New Netherland Marretie Jans widow of the deceased Govert Loockermans, Balthazr Bayard, Hans Kierstede & Jacob Loocquerm: being altogether the lawful heirs of the deceased Govert Loocquerman aforesaid who acknowledged and declared by virtue of a certain deed of the Governor Dated to cede transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership, as they are doing by these presents to Cornelis Dirckse Van Westveen, burgher and inhabitant of this city certain their stone house and lot with everything fixed in the earth and fastened by nail on the same, standing and situated within this city of New Orange to the North the Strand of the East River to the West the house and lot of Carsten Leursz Shoemaker and to the East the lots of the abovenamed widow Loockermans, wide on the South or streetside sixty feet, on the Northside forty feet and ten inches; long on the Eastside fourteen rods ten feet and on the Westside fifteen rods and eleven feet, altogether woodfeet, and further with such passive and active servitudes and rights as said widow and heirs have possessed and owned said house and lot free and unencumbered without any charges resting or depending on the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said house and lot by purchase, transfer and conveyance said widow and heirs acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid by the said Cornelis Dircksz. Consequently they the grantors declare in behalf as above to desist & cede all ownership right, claim and pretensions which they the grantors or any one in their name might or should bring forward against the said house and lot and its appurtenances. Promising neither to act nor cause to be proceeded against the same whether in law or in any other manner, and further to steadfastly and irrevocably keep, maintain and carry out this conveyance and to secure the same against all posterior claims, binding their persons and goods, real and personal subject to all courts and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this has been sub-

scribed to with their own hands by the grantors, besides Messrs ——— in New Orange, April 18, 1674.

Johannes Van Brugh

Laurens Van de Spighel

Marretie Yans

Hans Kierstede

Jacob Loockerman

B. Bayard

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,

Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us the undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Adriaen Van Laer, burgher and Inhabitant of this City, who declared by virtue of a power of Attorney granted to him by his brother Stoffell Van Laer to cede, transfer and grant in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of David Provoost, likewise a burgher of said city, certain his the aforesaid Stoffel Van Laer's lot and tannery with the vats and other appurtenances standing and situated within this city east of the Prince Graght, south of the house and garden of deceased domine Samuel Drisius, west of the garden which has belonged to said Stoffel Van Laer North of the Tan Mill. Wide on the Westside facing the street forty feet in the rear on the Eastside the same, Length on both sides fifty two feet, altogether woodfeet; the whole free and unencumbered, without any charge resting or originating from the same excepting the Lord's right. For which aforesaid lot, on account of purchase, transfer and conveyance the said Adriaen Van Laer in behalf of his said brother acknowledged to have been fully and thankfully satisfied and paid by the said David Provoost. Therefore he desists, in his above quality from all claims, rights and pretensions which

he Stoffel Van Laer or any one on his behalf should or might advance against the same; he, Adriaen Van Laer promising to maintain, observe and perform this Conveyance firmly and irrevocably, and further to secure the same against all posterior claims, and to free said Provoost from the same. In witness of the truth this present has been subscribed to with their own hand by the grantor besides the Messrs Burgomasters, Johannes Van Brugh, in New Orange, June 20, 1674.

Adryaen Van Laer

Johannes Van Brugh In my presence

Ephraim Herman, Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland, Marettie Jans Widow of the deceased Govert Looquermans, Hans Kierstede, Jacob Loockerman being together the lawful heirs of deceased Govert Loockermans, mentioned before, who declared to cede transfer and convey, as they are doing by these presents, in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Balthazar Bayard, burgher and inhabitant of this city certain parcel of land numbered No. 1, having been sold at public auction on June 10, 1671 to said Bayard Said parcel of land being situated East of the land of Willem Beeckman, butting with the Southwest side on the land of said Beeckman with the Northwest and Westnorthwest side on the Cripplebush and on lot No. 2, the boundary line between both running from the Cripplebush to the fence. Southsoutheast, rather more east, with the Southsoutheast & Southeastside on the public road,* with the Northeast side on the fence. Large (according to the measurement

of the sworn surveyor Jacq. Corteljou) three morgens and forty five rods—all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said parcel of land by purchase, conveyance and transfer the said widow and heirs acknowledged and declared to have been full and thankfully satisfied and paid by the said Balthazar Bayard. Therefore said widow and heirs in behalf of the said Balthazar declared to desist from and to cede all ownership, rights, claims and pretensions they the said widow and heirs have possessed in the said parcel of land; promising neither to proceed nor to have proceeded against this either in law or otherwise in any manner, binding their respective persons and goods real and personal none excepted, submitting to all courts & jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this present has been subscribed to with their own hand by the grantors besides the Messrs. —

at New Orange, June 20, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Lawrens VandeSpighel.

Marretie Yans
Hans Kierstede
Jacob Loockerman.

In my presence
Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

*heerewegh means public road or highway
heeretraet means public street—any public street—
not Broadway as it has often been translated.

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the city of New Orange in New Netherland the Worthy Marrettie Jans, Widow of Govert Loockerman, deceased, Balthazar

Bayard, Hans Kiersteede & Jacob Loocquermans being all together the lawful heirs of said Govert Loockermans who declared to cede, convey and grant in right, true and free ownership as they are doing by these presents to and in behalf of Jacob Leyslaer merchant and inhabitant of this city certain parcel of land numbered No 2 having been sold at public auction on June 10, 1671, to said Leyslaer, with such passive and active servitudes and rights as they the grantors have possessed and occupied the same. Said parcel of land is situated on the island Mannhattans, east of the lot No 1, transferred on June 20 last to B. Bayard, the said parcel of land with the South & Southwestside butting on the Cripplebush with the Northwest and northside on the fence with the East and Southeastside on the lot No 1, the boundary line between both running from Cripplebush to the fence, Southsoutheast, rather more east and the boundary line between No. 3 Southeast, rather more east, Extent (according to the measurement of the Sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou) four Morgens two hundred seventy eight rods, all free and unencumbered without any charges resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said parcel of land on account of purchase conveyance and transfer said widow and heirs acknowledged before subscribing to and delivering the present to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid by said Leyslaer. Therefore they the grantors, in behalf of aforesaid, declared to desist from all claims, ownership right and pretensions they the grantors, or any one on their behalf, should or might advance. Further promising firmly and irrevocably to maintain, carry out & perform this conveyance and to secure said Jacob Leyslaer from all ulterior claims, binding their persons and goods real and personal none excepted, submitting them to all Courts and Jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth the present has been signed by the grantors besides Messrs ——— with their own hands in New Orange, June 21, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Laurens VandeSpighel

Marrtie Yans
Hans Kierstede
Jacob Loockerman
B. Bayard

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the worthy Marretie Jans Widow of the deceased Govert Loockermans, Balthazar Bayard, Hans Kierstede, Jacob Loockerm, being alltogether the lawful heirs of the deceased Govert Loockermans, named before, who declared to cede, convey and transfer in right true and free ownership to & in behalf of the Mister Schepen Willem Beeckman, certain parcel or piece of meadowland numbered No 3 having been sold on June 10, 1671 at public vendue to the said Mr Beeckman, as said parcel of land is situated on this Island Manhatans on this side of the Fresh Water, butting with the Southwest side on the land of the heirs of the decd Rachell Van Tienhoven, with the Southeast [side] on the land of Mr. Beeckman, having prior to this belonged to Thomas Haal, with the Northwest-side on the fence and with the Northeastside on lot No 2 sold to Jacob Leyslaer, the division line between both running Southeast, rather more Southward, thro' a little valley [leeghie] from the fence to the Cripplebush, stopping there at a convenient watering place. Large according to the measurement of the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou four morgens three hundred and three rods; with such passive & active servitudes and rights as the same has been owned and occupied to this date by the grantors, all free and un-

encumbered without any charges resting on or originating from the same (excepting the Lord's rights) For which said parcel of land through purchase, transfer and conveyance said widow and heirs, before signing & delivering the present, acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid. Therefore they the grantors in behalf as stated above declared to desist and refrain from all claims, ownership, right and pretentions they the grantors or any one on their behalf could or might advance about the said parcel of land. Further promising to maintain fulfill and perform this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to free said Mr Beeckman from all ulterior claims. Pledging their persons and goods, none excepted, submitting them to all courts and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this present has been subscribed with their own hand in the presence of the undersigned gentlemen, at New Orange, June 21, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Lawrens Vande Spighel

Marretie Yans
Hans Kierstede
Jacob Loockerman
B. Bayard

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Mr Cornelis Van Ruyven who by virtue of certain patent of confirmation obtained from Gov Richard Nicols, dated Jan 19, 1667 declared to cede, transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Mr Gabriel Minvielle, merchant, in this city, certain his large stone dwelling and lot standing and

situated within this city: to the West the Marketfield, to the South the house and lot of the widow of the deceased Domine Megapolensis and to the North the house and lot of Mr Gerrit Van Tright. Long on both sides facing the street till the strand of the North River in the rear,* Wide in front on the east or street side fifty nine feet, in the rear on the West or strand side seventy feet, altogether wood feet, all free and unencumbered, without any charge resting or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which aforesaid house and lot for purchase, conveyance and transfer said Mr Van Ruyven, before signing and delivering the present declared to have received full satisfaction and payment. Therefore declaring to transfer and convey his aforesaid house and lot and appurtenance of the same to the aforesaid Mr Gabriel Minville, his heirs and successors with such right & ownership as he the grantor has owned and possessed the same, desisting by these presents from all claims or pretensions which he or any one on his behalf could or might advance, Further promising to keep perform and carry out this transfer firmly and irrevocably and to free it from all ulterior claims. All under pledge of his persons and goods real and personal none excepted, submitting the same to the jurisdiction of all courts and judges. In testimony of the truth the present has been subscribed to by the grantor besides Mr Johannes Vanbrugh with their own hand in New Orange, June 22, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Guilian Verplanck

C. V. Ruyven

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

* Measurement not given.

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Mr Cornelius Van Ruyven who declared by virtue of the patent of Confirmation obtained from the Mr Governor Richard Nicols under date of January 16, 1667, to cede, convey and transfer in a right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Teunis Idusse, agriculturist [Bouwman] his heirs and successors, certain the grantor's farm with the house and barn, situated on this Island of Manhatans in the district of Noortwyck otherwise named Saphackenic, at present in the possession and use of said Teunis Idusse. Situated one parcel of land of the said farm South of the highway [Heerewegh] running eastward, along the land of Poulus Leendersz and Allard Anthony into the woods. To the North Jacob Pietersz De Groot; as the same is at present surrounded by its fences, in extent according to the measurement of the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou Twenty five Morgen. Further yet a parcel of valley, being one just quarter in the valleys situated on the Westside of the North River known by the name of Moerice Davis and Jacob Slang's valley of the same extent as is shown by the deed from the Hon. Stuyvesand, dated Nov 2, 1663. Further yet one sixth ($\frac{1}{6}$) share in the meadowland situated on this island Manhattans between Clabbord's Valley and the Great Kill, of the same extent as expressed in the grant by Govr Nicolls, dated Aug 1, 1668; all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same excepting the Lord's right. For which said farm and lands with the appurtenances of the same the said Mr Van Ruyven acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid, therefore declaring to transfer and convey the aforesaid to the said Teunis Idusse with such right and ownership as he the grantor or any one in his behalf has possessed and occupied the same. Desisting by these pre-

sents from all claims, ownership, rights and pretensions which he the grantor or any one in his behalf could or might advance. Promising further to firmly and irrevocably keep, carry out and perform this conveyance and to free it from all ulterior claims, all under pledge as per law. In testimony this has been subscribed to by the Mr Grantor, besides Mr Johannes Van Brug in New Orange, June 22, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Guilain Verplanck

C. V. Ruyven

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Mr Cornelis Van Ruyven who declared, by virtue of the confirmation of Governor Nicolls, Dated Jan 16, 1667 to cede, transfer and convey in right true and free ownership to and in behalf of Johannis Van Couwenhoven, brewer, living on this island Manhatans certain his, grantor's brewery, mill and Malthouse with the house and other dependencies of the same, besides certain lot and parcel of land situated on this island Manhatans at Saphackenic, enclosed by the land of Teunis Idusse and Jacob Pietersz De Groot as the same at present is surrounded by its fence and has been occupied and used until this date by the said Van Couwenhoven. Extent, according to the measurement of the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou, fully two morgens, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said parcel of land with the buildings and appurtenances of the same for pur-

chase, transfer and conveyance the said Mr Van Ruyven, before signing and delivering the present declared to have been well and gratefully satisfied and paid. Therefore he the grantor, in behalf as above, declares to desist from and renounce all claims, property rights or pretensions which he, the grantor, or any one on his behalf could or might advance. Promising further to hold, carry out and perform firmly and irrevocably this conveyance and to free said Johannis Couwenhoven from all ulterior claims, All under pledge of his person and goods, real and personal none excepted, submitting them to all courts and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth the present has been subscribed by the grantor besides Mr Johannis Van Brugh and G. Verplanck with their own hands in New Orange June 22, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Guilain Verplanck

C. V. Ruyven

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Mr Cornelis Van Ruyven, inhabitant of this City who declared, by virtue of a Patent of Confirmation dated Jan 16, 1667, issued to him, to convey, transfer and cede in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Jacob Pietersz De Groot, farmer living on this island Manhatans at Saphackenican certain portion, or the balance of grantor's land situated at the said Saphackenican to the South of Teunis Idusse, as the same is at present surrounded by its fence, extent fully twenty morgens; further one quarter in the valley known by the name of Mortie

Davids and Jacob Slangh's Valleys, according to the deed of Mr Petrus Stuyvesand, dated Nov 2, 1663; further one sixth part in the meadow situated on this island Manhatans between Clabbord's valley and the Great Kill of the same extent as per deed obtained on August 1, 1668 of Govr Nicols, all free and unencumbered without any charges resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said parcel of land with the valley for purchase, conveyance and transfer the said Mr Van Ruyven before signing & delivering these presents acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid therefore he grantor, in behalf of aforesaid, declares to desist and refrain from all claims, ownershipright and pretensions which he the grantor or any one on his behalf could or might advance. Further promising to keep perform and carry out this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to free said Jacob Pietersz from all ulterior claims. Binding his person and goods, none excepted, submitting them to all Courts & Jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this present has been subscribed to by the grantor with his own hand besides the undersigned Gentlemen J. V. Brugh and G. Verplanck at New Orange, June 22, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Guilain Verplanck

C. V. Ruyven

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the worthy Mistress Maghtell Steentgens, widow of the deceased Dom: Johannes Megapolensis who, be virtue of a Patent of Confirmation by Mr Govr Nicolls under date of Jan 9, 1667, declared to

cede, convey & transfer in right, true and free ownership to and on behalf of Mr Balthazaer Bayard, burgher and inhabitant of this city certain her house and lot standing and situated within this city of New Orange; to the West the Marketfield or great Broadway, to the South the lot having prior to this belonged to Jannettie Sabyns, to the North the house and lot of Mr Gabriell Minvielle, having before belonged to Mr Corn. Van Ruyven and to the East the North River. Wide on the East or Street side seventy three wood feet and eight inches, in the rear on the strand or Westside fifty eight wood feet; in length from the front on the street to the rear on the strand,* and further with such passive and active services & rights as she, the grantor, has owned and possessed the same and as the said house and lot are surrounded by their fence, all free & unencumbered without any charges resting on originating from the same, excepting the Lord's rights. For which aforesaid house and appurtenances of the same, through purchase, transfer and conveyance the said widow acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid by said B. Bayard Therefore she, the grantor, in behalf as above declares to desist from and renounce all claims ownerships and pretensions she, the grantor, or anyone on her behalf could or might advance promising to hold, perform and carry out this conveyance firmly and irrevocably; and to free said Balthazaer Bayard from all ulterior claims; pledging her person & goods, personal and real, none excepted submitting the same to all Courts and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this present has been signed by the grantor with her own hand besides Mr [left blank] at New Orange, June 24, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Guilain Verplanck

Machtelt Steens
widow of Johans Megapolens
Known to me
Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

*Measurement not given.

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Jeremias Jansz Westerhout, Simon Jansz Romeyn and Ariaen Jansz Westerhout, being the lawful heirs of the deceased Jan Jansz Haegenauer who declared by virtue of —

[Not completed.]

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Roelof Jansz Van Mepelen, butcher, living within this City of New Orange who, by virtue of conveyance by the heirs of the deceased Jan Jansz Hagenauer in behalf of the Grantor, dated June 10, 1672, declared to cede, convey & transfer in right, true and free ownership, to and in behalf of Dirck Evertsen Flyud, Bargeman, certain his house and lot situated within this City of New Orange to the North the Marketfield alley, to the East the house & lot of Andries Claesz to the South the Beavergraght and to the West the lot of Willem Douckles, wide on the Southside twenty one feet three inches, on the Northside twenty four feet and a half long five rods and a half, with such passive and active services and rights as the same has been owned and occupied by the grantor to the present date, and as the same has now been received by said Dirck Everts, and is enclosed within its fence, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's rights. For which said house through purchase, transfer and conveyance the said Roelof Jansz acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid. Therefore he the appearer, in behalf as above declares to desist from and renounce all claims, ownership, rights and pretensions which he the

grantor or any one on his behalf could or might advance on the same, further promising to keep perform and carry out this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to free the same against all ulterior claims. In testimony of the truth this present has been signed by the grantor besides the Mr Schepen G. Verplanck with their own hand at New Orange, June 26, 1674.

Guilain Verplanck

This is the
of Roelof
Butcher.

mark
Jansz

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch.]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Pieter Schaeffbanck, Court-messenger of this City of New Orange who declared, by virtue of conveyance by Teunis Cray, made to him the Grantor on March 2, 1656, to cede, convey and transfer to and in behalf of Ariaen Jansz Cooninck, inhabitant of this City certain his house and lot standing and situate within this City of New Orange on the Eastside of the High or Broadway having to the North the house and lot of Harmen Smeman to the South the lot of the grantor, butting with the eastern extremety against the garden of Dom Samuel Drisius, deceased. Extent according to the measurement certificate of the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou: on the Westside twenty five wood feet and seven inches, on the Eastside the same, long on the South and Northside eighteen rods five and a half ($5\frac{1}{2}$) feet; with such passive and active servitudes and

rights as the same has been owned and possessed by the grantor, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said house for purchase conveyance and transfer the said Pieter Schaefbanck, before delivering this present, acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied. Therefore he, grantor, in behalf of above, declares to desist from & renounce all claims ownershiprights and pretensions which he grantor, or any one on his behalf could or might advance against the same. Further promising to hold perform and carry out this conveyance, firmly and irrevocably and to secure the same against all ulterior claims. In testimony of the truth this present has been subscribed to with his own hand by the grantor besides Mr Johannes Vanbrugh in New Orange, June 28, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh

Pyeter Schafbanck

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the worthy Mrs Elizabeth Coustrie, having power of attorney from her husband Mr Hendrik Coustrie, who acknowledged and declared (by virtue of a power of attorney containing the clause about conveyance) to cede, convey and transfer in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Hendrick Wessels Ten Broeck, resident of this City of New Orange, certain her house and lot standing and situated within this city of New Orange, on the Highstreet between the house and lot of Evert Duycking and

the lot belonging to the widow of Burger Joris having before this belonged to Jan Hendrik Steelman. Wide in front on the North or Streetside thirty four feet, wood feet, on the Southside the same; length on the Eastside forty feet and on the Westside the same. The furthest part of the Southside stretches to the middle of the waterwell, as is more amply shown by the conveyance of Jan Hendricksz Steelman, dated December 9, 1669, made to Mr Hendrik Coustrie; with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been possessed and owned by the grantor, all free and unencumbered, without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said house and lot for purchase, transfer and conveyance said Mrs. Coustrie before signing and delivering this present, acknowledged to have been well and thankfully paid and satisfied, Therefore she, grantor in behalf as before declares to desist from and renounce all claims, ownershiprights, and pretensions which said Mr Hendrick Coustrie or any one on his behalf could or might advance. Further promising firmly and irrevocably to keep perform and carry out this conveyance and to free the same from all ulterior claims, under pledge as required by law. In testimony this present has been subscribed with her own hand by the grantor besides Messrs Johannes De Peyster.

at New Orange, June 30, 1674.

Elisabet Coutririer

Johannes DePeyster
Guilain Verplanck

In my presence

Ephraim Herman,
Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

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Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netheralnd the Rev Messrs Church-

masters of this City who declared with the consent and approval of the Messrs Burgomasters to cede, transfer and convey in a right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Maghdaleentie, widow of deceased Jacob Van Couwenhoven, her heirs and successors certain portion of a lot situated to the West of the Broadway having been prior to this time the Church yard (cemetery), the said portion of a lot bounding with the southern side on the lot of Pieter Simkam, tailor, long on both sides one hundred eight feet, wide front and rear twenty four wood feet, with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been owned and occupied until this date by the said grantors or their predecessors, free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said lot the grantors, before signing and delivering the present acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid; therefore they, grantors, in their aforesaid quality declared to desist from and renounce all claims and pretensions they the grantors or any of their successors could or might advance against the said lot, further promising to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to secure said widow against all ulterior claims; pledging as per law. In testimony of the truth this present has been subscribed with their own hand by the grantors. In New Orange, July 2, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
 Wilh Beeckman

O, Stevens V. Cortlant
 Adolf Pietersz
 Jacob Kip

Known to me

Ephraim Herman, Clerk.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Mrs Elizabeth De Potter

widow and administratrix (or executrix) of the deceased Isacq Bedloo who declared (by virtue of conveyance by Mr Nicolaes Bayard as attorney for Augustine Herman, and on June 17, 1669, granted to Mr Isacq Bedloo) to cede, transfer and convey in right true and free ownership to and in behalf of Cristiaen Laurier certain her lot, situated within this City of New Orange in the Smee Street to the South the lot of the grantor sold to Jan Pietersz, to the East the lot of Ambrosius Dewaerhem and to the North the Prince Street. Extent, according to the measurement of the sworn surveyor Jac Corteljou, on the Westside two rods, on the Eastside one rod twelve feet two inches, on the Northside five rods one foot six inches, on the south side four rods eight feet eight inches, with an additional oblique strip or hooek on the street on the Eastside which has been granted to said Cristiaen by the Messrs Burgomasters, commencing at the lot of Jan Pietersz Bos, where it is $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, running obliquely from thence to the corner of the Prince Street where said strip is three and a half feet wide. With such passive and active services and rights as the same has been possessed and occupied by the grantor to this date, free and unencumbered, without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said lot for purchase conveyance and transfer the said Mrs Bedloo acknowledges to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid by the hands of said Cristiaen Laurier. Therefore she, grantor in behalf as above, declares to desist from and renounce all claims ownership rights and pretensions which she the grantor or any one on her behalf should or might advance against the same. Further promising to hold perform and carry out this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to secure the same against all ulterior claims. Pledging her person & goods, none excepted, submitting them to all Courts and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this present has been personally subscribed to by the grantor in

the presence of the undersigned Gentlemen, at New Orange,
August 14, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Guilain Verplanck

Elizabeth DePotter

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Mrs Elizabeth De Potter, widow and executrix of the deceased Isaac Bedloo who declared (by virtue of conveyance by Mr Nicolaes Bayard as attorney for Augustine Herman, granted on June 17, 1669 to said Mr Isaac Bedloo) to cede, transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Jan Pietersen Bos, shoemaker within this City, certain her lot with the appurtenances of the same, situated within this city, to the West the Smee Street to the North the house and lot of Cristiaen Laurier, having prior to this belonged to the above grantor, to the South the lot of the said grantor. Extent according to the measurement of the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou, on the Westside two rods, on the Eastside one rod twelve feet two inches, on the Southside five rods one foot six inches and on the Northside five rods, eight feet and five inches, with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been owned and possessed by the grantor to this day, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, besides the Lord's right. For which said lot for purchase, transfer and conveyance said Mrs Bedloo declared to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid from the hands of said Jan Pietersz; therefore she, grantor, in behalf of

above declares to desist from and renounce all claims, ownership right and pretensions which she grantor, or any one on her behalf could or might advance, further promising to keep, perform and execute this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to free the same from all ulterior claims, under pledges as per law. In testimony of the truth this has been subscribed to by the grantor at New Orange, September 20, 1674.

Johannes Van Brugh
Guilain Verplanck

Elizabeth De Potter.

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Mrs Elizabeth De Potter widow & executrix of deceased Isacq Bedloo who declared (by virtue of conveyance by Mr Nicolaes Bayard, as attorney of Mr Augustine Herman, granted on June 17, 1669 in behalf of said Mr Isacq Bedloo) to cede, convey and transfer in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Ambrosius De Weerhem, inhabitant of this City, certain her house and lot standing and situate within this city of New Orange to the North the Street named the Prince Street between the lot of Cristiaen Laurier and that of Master [surgeon] Hans Kierstede, Extent according to the measurement of the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou, on the South or Street side two rods 2 feet and nine inches on the Westside seven rods and nine feet on the Northside three rods and one foot and on the Eastside eight rods twelve feet and further with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has

been, to this date possessed and owned by the grantor, all free and unencumbered without any charges resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said lot for purchase conveyance and transfer said Mrs Bedloos before signing and delivering this present declares to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid from the hands of said De Weerhem. Therefore she the grantor, in behalf as above, declares to desist from and renounce all claims, ownership rights and pretensions which she, the grantor, & any one on her behalf could or might advance; further promising to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance firmly and irrevocably and to secure said Ambrosius against all ulterior claims, pledging her person and goods, personal and real, none excepted, submitting them to all courts and jurisdictions. In testimony this has been subscribed to by the grantor, at New Orange in presence of the undersigned gentlemen this September 24, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Guilain Verplanck

Elizabeth De Potter

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the worthy Mrs Judith Stuyvesand widow & executrix of deceased Mr Petrus Stuyvesand, who declared to cede, transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Frans Bastiaensz free Negro, certain parcel or piece of land situated across the Fresh Water about the Bowery [farm] past the section or neighborhood called Crommessie along the public road run-

ning into the wood commencing at the Northend of the lots of Crommessie and then running along said road northward thirty two and a half rods, thence towards the East fifty six and a half rods thence southward straight across to the land of Henry Peers eighteen rods and thence westerly again back to the public road forty six and one half rods, with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been possessed and occupied by grantor to this date, free and unencumbered, without any charge resting on or originating from the same excepting the Lord's right (with this proviso, however, that said Francisco is bound, with his neighbors to keep in repairs the fence of said land) For which said piece of land said Mrs Stuyvesand for conveyance and transfer acknowledged to have been satisfied and paid therefore she, grantor, desisting from any claims, ownershiprights and pretensions she or any one on her behalf should or might advance. Promising to firmly and irrevocably keep perform and carry out this conveyance. In Testimony of the truth this has been personally subscribed to by the grantor besides the undersigned Schepens, at New Orange, September 24, 1674.

Francois Rombouts
Guilain Verplanck.

Judith Stuyvesant

Known to me,

Ephraim Herman, Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

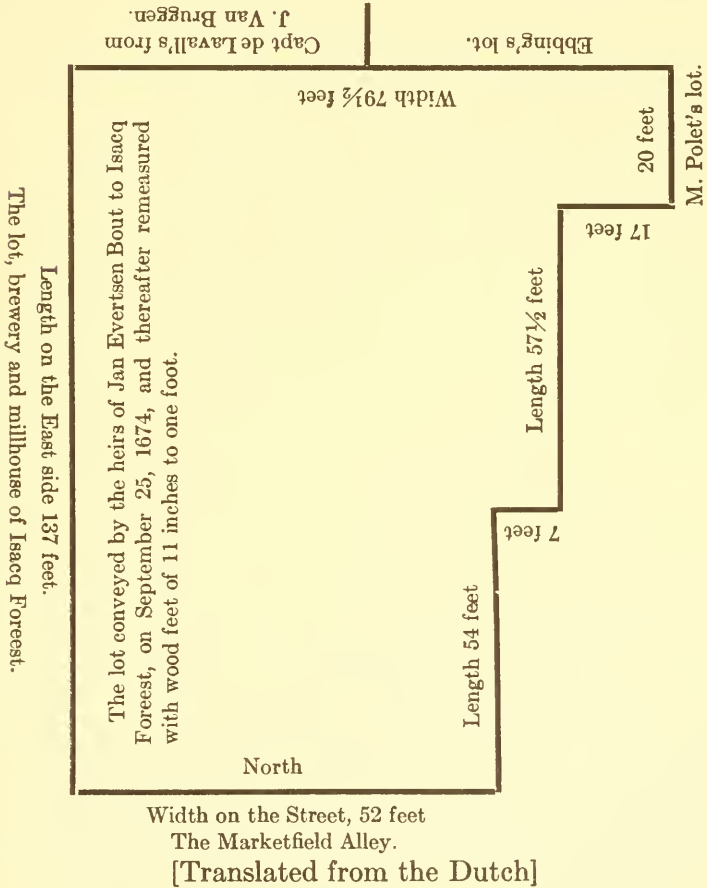
Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Andries Juriaensz & Nicolaes Jansz Backer, testamentary heirs of the estate left by deceased Jan Eversz Bout who (by virtue of certain disposition

and apostil by Gov General Anthony Colve dated December 24, 1673) declared to cede, transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of the widow & heirs of deceased Isacq De Forest, Burgher and inhabitant of this city certain house and lot standing and situated within this City of New Orange; to the South the Marketfield alley, between the houses and lots formerly having belonged to Nicolaes Boot and Johannes Mons de La Montagne Jr. Extent (as per conveyance by Mr Willem Beeckman, Harmen Smeman and Machiel Jansen dated October 10, 1655 to the said Jan Eversz Bout) on the street or Northside fifty two feet; on the Eastside one hundred and thirty seven feet, on the South side seventy nine and a half feet and on the West side of the Street fifty four feet, where there jut out seven feet; from there fifty seven and a half feet, where there again jut out in width seventeen feet, and from thence again to the fence of Mr. Jeronimus Ebbing, twenty wood feet as is more plain from the little map and drawing here annexed. In such a manner as said house and lot are at present surrounded and confined in their fence. For which said house and lot for purchase, transfer and conveyance said heirs acknowledged and declared before signing and delivering the present, to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid. Therefore they the grantors, in behalf of the said widow and heirs declared to desist from and renounce all claims ownership rights and pretensions which they the grantors or any one on their behalf should or might advance against the said house and lot with all the appurtenances of the same, conveying the same free and unencumbered without any charges resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. They the grantors promising firmly and irrevocably to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance and to free said widow from all ulterior claims, pledging their persons and goods, real and personal, none excepted, submitting the same to all Lords, Courts & Jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth this present has been subscribed to by the grantors with their

own hands besides the undersigned gentlemen, in New Orange September 25, 1674.

Guilain Verplanck
Francois Rombouts

Claes Jansen Backer
Andries Juriansen
Known to me
Ephraim Herman,
Secretary



Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Hendrik Bosch and Juriaen Blanck Sr., in their quality as guardians and tutors of the

children left by deceased Michiell Tadens who, (by virtue of certain patent of confirmation by the Hon Gov Richard Nicols granted April 25, 1668, to Tryntie Waelings, and the bill of sale and other proofs delivered by said Tryntie Waelings to said Machiel Tadens) declared to cede, transfer and convey in a right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Jan Evertsen Keteltas burgher and inhabitant of this city certain house and lot standing and situated within this city on certain corner of land, named the Schryers Hook, to the West of Machiel Jansen. Extent, according to the certificate of measurements by the surveyor on the Southwestside thirty two feet, on the Northwestside three rods two feet and six inches on the Northeastside twenty nine feet and on the Southeast side four rods and five feet, altogether wood feet. With such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been owned and possessed by grantors all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which aforesaid house and lot for purchase conveyance and transfer said guardians before signing and delivering the present declared to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid. Therefore they the grantors in behalf as above declared to desist from and renounce all claims, ownershipright or pretensions which they the grantors in their aforesaid quality or any body on this account, should or might advance. Further promising firmly and irrevocably to keep, perform, and carry out this conveyance, and to secure said Jan Keteltas against all ulterior claims, all under pledge as per law. In testimony of the truth this has been personally subscribed to by the grantors besides the undersigned gentlemen at New Orange, September 26, 1674.

Guilain Verplanck
Johannes Vanbrugh

Hendrick Bosch
Juryan Blanck

In my presence
Ephraim Herman,
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the undersigned administrators of the estate left by deceased Jan Hendriksz Steelman, alias Coopall [buy all] who (by virtue of certain patent of confirmation dated February 17, 1667, granted by the Hon Gov. Richard Nicolls) declared to cede Convey and transfer in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of the widow and heirs of the deceased Burger Joris certain lot situated within this city to the North of the Wall, bounded westward the house and lot of Thomas Wandell, to the North the Highstreet to the East the house and lot of the said Jan Steelman and to the South the aforesaid wall. Extent according to the survey of the Sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou, on the Southside twenty eight wood feet, the Northside twenty eight feet and five inches, the length on either side seventy eight feet, said lot on February 7, 1670, having been publicly sold to John Sharpe, and by said Sharpe Conveyed to Thom: Wandel of Mespat who in his turn sold the same to said widow and heirs. All free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said lot, for purchase transfer and conveyance said administrators before signing and delivering the present declared to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid therefore they the grantors, desisting from and renouncing in their above quality in behalf of as above all further claims ownershiprights and pretensions which they the grantors or any one on their behalf should or might advance. Promising further firmly and irrevocably to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance and to free the same from all ulterior claims, under pledges as per law. In testimony [of the truth] this has been personally subscribed by the grantors besides the undersigned gentlemen Schepens at New Orange this September 28, 1674.

Johannes Vanbrugh
Francois Rombouts

Jacob Kip
Asser Levy.

Known to me

Ephraim Herman

Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the undersigned administrators of the estate left by the deceased Jan Hendriksz Steelman (alias Coopall) who, by virtue of the confirmatory patent by the Hon. Gov. R. Nicolls dated Feb 17, 1667 to the said Steelman declared to cede, transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of the Mr Schepen Guilaine Verplanck certain brick dwelling and lot standing and situated within this City; to the North the Wall† or shore [strand] of the East River, having on the Eastside the lot of Everd Duyking on the Northside the lot of Hendrik Coustrie, having prior to this belonged to said Jan Steelman, to the West the lot also having belonged to the said Steelman and to the South the Wall [Waal] or bank. Extent from the street or gable of the house to the centre fence of the house of Hend Coustrie and in width on the South and Northside thirty four woodfeet; with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been possessed and occupied by the said Jan Steelman, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said house and lot for purchase transfer and conveyance said administrators, before signing and delivering the present, acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid. Therefore, the grantors, in their above capacity, in behalf of the said Verplanck, desisting from all further claims, ownership-rights and pretensions which they the grantors, or any one on account of the same should or might advance against said house and lot. Further promising firmly and irrevocably to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance and to free the same from all ulterior claims, all under pledge as per law. In testimony this has been personally subscribed by the grant-

† This should be Waal. A waal is a small inner water or bay and often applied to the Shore enclosing it.

ors, besides the undersigned Schepens at New Orange, September 28, 1674.

Francois Rombouts
Johannes Vanbrugh

Jacob Kip
Asser Levy.

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland Pieter Jansen Mesier, ship-carpenter and inhabitant of this city, who, by virtue of purchase conveyance and transfer of Lysbet Tyssen dated March 7, 1665/6. declared to cede transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Lyntie Dirx Servaes, certain house and lot standing and situate outside the fortifications of this city in the Smith's valley, on the Northeastside of the land of the said Lysbet Tyssen. Extent as per computation: One hundred and twenty seven feet in length five and twenty feet wide, with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been possessed and occupied by the said Pieter Jansen, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said house and lot for purchase conveyance and transfer said Pieter Jansen Mesier, before signing and delivering this present, acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid from the hands of said Lyntie Dirx Servaes, therefore he, grantor, in behalf of said Lyntie Dirx [desisting from and renouncing] all claims ownershiprights and pretensions, which he, the grantor, or any one on his behalf should

or might advance; further promising firmly and irrevocably to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance and to free it from all ulterior claims. Pledging his person and goods personal and real, submitting them to all courts and jurisdictions. In testimony hereof the present has been personally signed by the grantor besides the Messrs [Schepens] at New Orange, September 30, 1674.

Guilain Verplanck

This is
of Pieter
made by



the mark
Jansz Mesier
himself.

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Secret.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange in New Netherland the worthy Maghdal-leentie Herlyn wid. of the deceased Tielman Van Vlecq who (by virtue of certain confirmatory patent of Mr Govr Richard Nicols, dated May 6, 1668.) declared to cede, transfer and convey in right, true and free ownership to and in behalf of Guiljam de Honeur burgher and resident of this City, certain house and lot standing and situate within this City North of the Highstreet, bounded to the East by the house and lot of Aries Otto, to the South by the Highstreet aforesaid, to the West by the house and lot of Nicolaes DeMeyer to the North by the Mudalley, and measured by the present surveyor J. Corteljou on October 10, 1658 and found [to measure as follows] the Southside

twenty three wood feet two inches; the Northside equal width, the Eastside, long Eight rods nine feet, the Westside Nine rods two feet, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said house and lot for purchase transfer and conveyance said Widow, acknowledged to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid by said Guiljam De Honeur. Therefore she the grantor, in behalf as above, declares to desist from and renounce all claims propertyrights or pretensions she, the grantor, or any one in her behalf should or might advance. Promising firmly and irrevocably to keep perform and carry out this conveyance and secure the same against all ulterior claims, pledging as per law. In testimony this has been personally subscribed to by the grantor, in the presence of the under signed Gentlemen at New Orange September 29, 1674.

Guilain Verplanck

Maddalena V. Vleck.

Known to me,

Ephraim Herman, Sec.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Whereas certain house and lot standing and situated within this City to the North the Brouwer Street between the house and lot of Jeronimus Ebbinck and Frederick Philipsz of the same extent as per the conveyances, deeds and the confirmation of Mr Govr Richard Nicols of the same, and as the same is comprehended within and surrounded by its fence; which said house and lot on December 9, 1671, at public auction by Jacob Hendriksz Varrevanger, executor for the deceased Maria Paulet, was sold to Capt. Thomas DeLaval, and by said Lavall again transferred to John Ryder, former Clerk here. Which said house and lot ac-

ording to the tenor of the conditions of sale remained mortgaged till the payment of the sale price. And whereas Vendue Master Nicolaes Bayard, on the 16th inst. obtained sentence and execution against and concerning the commissaries of the Estate of John Ryder, the same by virtue of said sentence, has likewise on the 20th inst. been sold at public auction by the officer of this City by execution to Nicolaes Bayard for the amount of four thousand seven hundred seventy five guilders seewant's value, as is further shown by said conditions. Therefore we Schout, Burgo-master and Schepens of the City of New Orange have confirmed, transferred and conveyed as we do confirm transfer and convey by these presents to and in behalf of the said Nicolaes Bayard, his heirs and successors, the above named house and lot, with everything on and in the same being fastened by nail and fixed to the ground and further with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the said house and lot has been possessed and occupied prior to this by said John Ryder or any one else, free and unencumbered, without any charge resting or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. In testimony this present has been personally signed by the Gentlemen of the Court at New Orange, October 23, 1674.

Wilm Knyffe, Schout
 Johannes Vanbrugh
 Wilh; Beeckman
 Guilain Verplanck

By order of the Hon Court of the City of N. Orange,
 Ephraim Herman,
 Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of New Orange, Lyntie Dirx Servaes, assisted by her husband

Albert Hendricksz, residing in this City who by virtue of conveyance to her by Pieter Jansz Mesier, dated September 30, declared to cede, transfer and convey to and in behalf of Everdt Evertsz Pels, shipcarpenter and inhabitant of this city certain house and lot standing and situated without this City's fortifications in the Smith's Valley on the Northeastside of the land of said Lysbet Tyssen. Extent as per computation; length one hundred and twenty seven feet wide in front facing the street twenty four and in the rear twenty five feet (said house and lot having been sold by Lyntie Servaes to Lysbet Tyssen, and by said Lysbet Tyssen again sold to said Everdt Pels) with such passive and active servitudes and rights as the same has been possessed and occupied by the grantor, all free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same excepting the Lord's rights. For which said lot for purchase transfer and conveyance said Lyntie Dircx and her husband, before signing and delivering the present declared to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid. Therefore they the grantors in behalf of said Everd Pels, declared to desist from and renounce all claims, ownershiprights and pretensions which they the grantors or any one on their behalf should or might advance, further promising firmly and irrevocably to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance, and to free said Everd Pels from all ulterior claims, all under pledge as per law. In testimony this has been personally signed by grantors, besides the undersigned Gentlemen, at New Orange October 23, 1674.

Guilain Verplanck

Albert Hendricksen
Linte Servaes.

Known to me

Ephraim Herman,
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

WHEREAS Isack De forest of this Citty deceased did in his life tyme bargaine and sell unto frederick Arentsen Turner, a Certaine erve or parcell of land, lyeing and being on the Northsyde of Thomas Verdon, and on the Eastsyde of Abraham Carmer, on the West syde Isack de Foreest, and on the Southsyde 56 English foote one Inch,—On the West syde one hundred and one foote six Inches. On the North syde 24 foote 8 Inches—as by a bill of agreement and sale thereof, undr the hands of the said Isack Foreest and Frederick Aarntson bearing date the 18th of May Anno 1674. more plainly will appeare, and the above named purchaser and seller Ommitting to record the same in the said Isack Forest his life tyme.

Now for more Strengthening and making a Sure tytle thereof, unto the said Frederick Arentson his heyres Executors administrators or assignes. KNOW yee by these Presents that I Sarah de Vooreest Rellict or widdow of the said Isack de Voreest, deceased, doe absolulutly bargaine sell & confirme the former sale of my said husband deceased assigning transporting allienating and making over ye said erve or parcell of land as is above mentioned unto the said Frederick Arnson his heyres and assignes. As also the privelidges of a Passage or Entry of eight foote in breadth for the Conveniensye of goeing into the hindermost erve between Thomas Verdon & Barnard the Taylor TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, all the before mentioned Erve or parcell of Land, unto the said Frederick Arentson his heyres and assignes, to the proper use and behoofe of him the said Frederick Arentson his heyres and assignes for ever. In such manner and forme as aforesaid, wholly relinqushing all manner of clayme, right, tytle and Intrest unto the same or any part or parcell thereof, but absolutely allienate the same from mee my heyres & Executors for ever, & doe Covenant, promise and grant that the said Erve or Parcell of land is free and cleare of all manner of Dowryes, Judgments, Mortgages, Extents, Sales, bargaines, or incumbrances whatsoever and from ye Claymes of all

persons; mee my heyres and Executors, shall and will warrant and for ever defend, by virtue of these Presents. In WITNESS whereof, I have hereto sett my hand in New Yorke the Sixteenth day of July 1675.

Testes

Simon J. Romeyn

The Marke of

Henry Hedger

Sarah  De forest.

and John Sharpe
Towne Clearke.

New York, 2d July, 1675.

Did Abell Hardenbrooke for a valuable Consideration and certaine summe of money to him in hand paid by Geurt Gerritz and Elizabeth his wife, transport and make over unto the said Giourt Gerritz a Certain house or Tenement, lyeing on the Eastsyde of the Heere Wegh with a Lott of ground thereunto belonging and appertaining between the house and land of John Hendrixon Van Gunst and Suert Woolnertz; [Oelferts?] found to bee on the Westsyde, Twenty five foote wood-Measure, & eight inches; on the East side Twenty six foote, two Inches Long according to Ground breife as more perticularly doth appeare by the land-meeters bill bearing date the 28th June 1675, wch Transport was signed by ye said Abell Hardenbrooke, with his seale the 3d day of Julye 1675

In the presence of

Frederick Phillipps, Alderman
& John Sharpe
Towne Clearke.

New Yorke, July 13, 1675.

Did Mathew forne for ye summe of six hundred Guilders wampoms value, the one halfe in hand the other halfe payable ye Primo July next ensuing this date, sell transport, allienate and make over unto Daniell Carfoe the one halfe or Moyety of the land wch hee the said Mathew Forne did latly purchase from Allard Anthony and his wife lying and being in the street called the broadway of this Citty, to say ye Westernmost part or ye halfe lyeing next to Hudsons River, as it lyes ground and nayle fast, be it more or less; as by the bill of sayle or transport from ye said Allard Anthony more plainly appears; which transport of the said Mathew Forne unto the said Daniell Carfoe was signed and sealed in Presence of Henry Hedger and mee,

John Sharpe
Towne Clearke.

July the 16, 1675.

Did Sarah de Foreest widdow of Isack de Foreest deceased for a valuable Consideration in hand paid, absolutly bargaine, sell allienate and Confirme unto Thomas Verdon of this Citty, Marriner a Certain tract or parcel of land, lyeing in this Citty—On the West the erve of Mr Hanns Keersteede of equall length of Mr Hans his Erve, and Just the halfe or equall breadth of my Erve next the Street, (Except) the going or passage of Eight foote wch going is to bee cut off between both Erves. The true length & breadth thereof as in Jaques Corteleau's middle breefe is specified viz;— On the south side Two rodts 8 wood foote, 3 inches, On the North side Two rodts 3 foote On the East side Eight Rodd seaven foote on the west side eight rodd seaven foote, To have and to hold unto the said Thomas Verdon, the said erve to the Proper use and beehoofe of the said Thomas

Verdon his heyres and assignes, for Ever, Covenanting and engaging that ye said Erve is wholly & absolutly free and cleare of all incumbrances whatsoever. And will the same, from the Claymes of all persons for ever warrant & defend by virtue of these Presents in Witness whereof thee have hereunto set her marke in New Yorke this 16 July 1675.

The marke of

Testes.

Sarah  de fooreest

Simon Romeyn
Henry Hedger

As testifies
John Sharpe
Towne Clearke.

Memorandum that Sarah de Foreest engageth to make up the halfe of the fence in good and orderly manner as it ought to bee and to maintaine or cause the same to bee soe maintained for ever, at the proper costs & charge of her, her heyres or assignes.

August the, 24th 1675 —

Did Elizabeth Bedloo Widdow and relict of Isack Bedloo. of this Citty, Merchant, deceased for a valluable Consideration to her in hand paid, before the signing of these presents, bargain, sell, allienate and confirme unto John Harperding of this Citty, Shoemaker a certaine tract plott or Parcell of land or ground lyeing within this Citty lately purchased of Nicolas Bayard, Attorney of Augustinus Hermans. Scituate lyeing and being on the west side of the Smiths Street, and on the North side of the Princes Street, Being two thirds of the whole purchase of the said tract or thereabouts as it stands in the land Meeters breefe, bearing date the pmo June 1674.

The other third part thereof being transported unto Christian Lowrier, To HAVE AND To HOLD, all the said two thirds of land as aforesaid unto the said John Harperding and to the proper use and behoofe of the said John Harpending his heyres and assignes for ever. The said Elizabeth Bedloo. for her selfe her heyres, Executors and Administrators to and with the said John Harperding his heyres, Executors and assignes that the said tract or parcel of land is wholly and absolutely free and cleare of all incumbrances whatsoever, and that hee or they or any of them shall and may have hold, use, occupie, possess and enjoy all the premisses above demissed, without the demand clayme sett hinderance, molestation or eviction of all or any person or persons whatsoever clayming for, from, by or under the said Elizabeth Bedloo, her heyres, Executors or any other by, from or with their Lycense order or Procurement. IN WITNESS whereof, the said Elizabeth Bedloo hath here unto sett her hand In Presence of the Aldermen hereunder subscribed the day and year within written.

Elizabeth Bedloo

Wm. Darvall,
G. Minviele

And in Presents of mee

John Sharpe
Towne Clearke.

New Yorke, 19th October 1675.

This day did Mr William Darvall of this Citty for a valuable consideration in hand paid, to his full content and satisfaction, before the recording of these Presents doth Bargaine, Sell, alienate, transport and make over unto Elias Puddington of the same Plase, Shippcarpenter, all his right tytle and interest in a Certaine Parcell of land lyeing and being in this Citty, neare the strand Gate, on the Northside abutting on

the land latly belonging to Tunis Templar on the Southside of that which belongs to the widdow Anna Litscoe, having in breadth on the East and West side 30 foote in length on the North side Eight rodd and a halfe and on the South side, Seaven rodd wanting five inches. To have and to hold unto the said Elias Puddington his heyres and assignes to ye only proper use and behoofe of him the said Elias Puddington, his heyres and assignes for ever. In witness and confirmation whereof the said Mr William Darvall hath hereunto sett his hand the day and yeare above written.

Wm Darvall.

Witness

Edward Dyer,

Cousseau

John Sharpe.

The 14th of October 1675.

This day did Allexander Glynn of Schonectide for a valuable consideration of a valuable summe to him in [hand] paid to his full content and satisfaction before the recording of these Presents, Bargaine, sell allienate, transport and make over unto Abraham Lambertson Moll his heyres, Executors and assignes one parcell of Land, lyeing and being in the Smiths Valey Broad to the South East, or next the Strand, 53 foote and 7 inches, wood measure, and One hundred & sixty eight foote seaven inches, ye same measure, on the West side of the house of sd Allexander Glinn, and is Broad behind to the North West, Twenty One foote nine Inches, with the use and benefitt of ye well being between him and the said Glinns house; To have and to hold &c as in forme accus-

tomary—Dated ut Supra and the said Allexander Glynn signed & sealed and delivered the Principle conveyance or transport at ye speciall instant and request of the said Moll in Presents of us witnesses thereunto called.

was signed & sealed by

Alexander Glinn.

Testes

Richard Charlton
John Sharpe.

17, October, 1675.

This day did Allexander Glynn for a valuable consideration &c Bargaine, sell, alienate, transport and make over unto Hendrick Vande Water a Certaine house and land thereunto belonging and appertaining lyeing & being in the Smiths Valey, betweene the house of Cornelius Clopper, Smith and Abraham Lambertson Moll, as it now lyeth in and between the fence of the before mentioned neighbours. To have and to hold to the said Hendrik Vandewater his heyres and assignes to the only propper use and behoofe of him the said Hendrick Vandewater his heyres and assignes. IN WITNESS and confirmation whereof the said Allexander Glynn hath sett his hand and seale to ye Principle instrument or conveyance and delivered the same to ye said Hendrick Vandewater in Presents of us

Was signed and sealed by

Alexander Glynn

Jacob Lokerman
Ludovicus Cobes
John Sharpe.

October 17, 1675.

This day did Allexander Glinn of Schonectide, for a valuable consideration before the signing and sealing in hand paid, Bargaine, sell, allienate, transport and confirmed unto Hendrick Vandewater of New Yorke Marriner, a Certaine Lott of ground or parcell of Land, lyeing and being in the Towne of Gravesend, on the West End of Long Island, Commonly called or known by the name of the Nine and Thirtieth Lott with all my right, title, interest & Priviledges in the same, as now doth, or hereafter shall belong thereunto, to all intents construcons and purposes without any Provisons restrictions, exception or reservation whatsoever.

To HAVE AND TO HOLD, all my right in the said Lott of Land, and premises with all the Priviledges proffitts and immuityes thereunto belonging, or any wise appertaining unto the said Hendrick Vandewater and to the only and propper use and behoofe of him the said Hendrick Vandewater his heyres, Executors, Administrators and assignes for ever.

I the said Allexander Glynn for my selfe my heyres, executors and administrators doe covenant, promise and Grant, to and with the said Hendrick Vandewater his heyres, Executors, Administrators and assignes that the said Land, Premisses and Priviledges thereunto belonging is wholly & absolutely free and Cleare, of all manner of former bargaines, sales, Mortgages, Judgments, Executions, Extents Joyntures, Dowries, or other incumbrances whatsoever and that hee the said Hendrick Vandewater his heyres, Executors, administrators and assignes, shall and may quietly and Peaceably have hold, use, occupy possess and enjoy, the premisses within mentioned and demised without the sett hinderance or molestation of all or any person or persons whatsoever, Clayming by from or under mee or any for, from or by mee, or by my or their lysense order or procurement.

IN WITNESS and confirmation whereof the said Alexander Glynn hath to the Principle Instrument or Conveyance for the said Land and premisse sett his his hand and seale and delivered ye same in Presents of us wittnesses thereunto Especially desired.

Was signed & sealed by

Alexander Glinn.

Jacob Lockerman

Ludovicus Cobes

John Sharpe.

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GRANT TO JAN MAINJE SEPTEMBER 11, 1642

We Willem Kieft Director General and Councillors; appointed by the High Mighty Lords States General of the United Netherlands, His Highness of Orange and the Hon Lords Directors of the privileged West India Company; residing in New Netherland, make known and declare by these presents that we, on this underwritten date [have granted] to Jan Mainje, a parcel of land twenty morgens in extent, stretching about South East one hundred & ninety rods toward the woods to Sascian's maizeland, along the edge of the said maizeland fifty rods, again toward the strand two hundred and twenty rods about North North west rather more northerly, and along the strand seventy rods. Which said land is situated on the Long Island, between Andries Hudden and Claes Jansen Ruyter. With express condition and stipulation that he Jan Mainje, or those who by virtue of the present should acquire his rights, shall acknowledge as his Lords and Patroons the said Lords Directors, under the sovereignty of the High Mighty Lords States General; and here to obey their Director and Councillors in everything as good inhabitants are obliged to do. Provided further that said Jan Mainje submit himself to all such taxes and burdens as have already been imposed or shall still be imposed by said Hon. Lords. Therefore granting to said Jan Mainje, or those

entering upon his rights, in our stead real and actual possession of the said parcel of land, conferring upon him by these presents perfect power, authority and special order to take up, cultivate, inhabit and use said parcel of land, as he is entitled to do with his other patrimonial lands and effects, without we, the grantors, in our above quality, having reserving or preserving any share, claim or authority in the same, but in behalf as above, from now on and forever, desisting from everything. Promising further, firmly and irrevocably to carry out and to observe this conveyance, all under pledge as required by law. This present has been subscribed to by us without guile or craft, and confirmed with our seal, September 11, 1642, in Fort Amsterdam, New Netherland.

Willem Kieft

By authority of the Hon Lord Director General Council of New Netherland.

Cornelis Van Tienhoven, Secretary.

Endorsed.

Anno 1652 January 29, the land mentioned in the deed on the other side has been conveyed and transferred by Pieter Linde (having married the widow of Jan Manyee) to Baarent Jansen, as is shown by the Register under the above date.

C. V. Ruyven
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

GRANT TO JAN STEVENSEN, SCHOOLMASTER
JULY 3, 1643.

We, Willem Kieft Director General and Council, by appointment of the High Mighty Lords States General of the

United Netherlands, his highness of Orange and the Hon. Gentlemen of the privileged West India Company, residing in New Netherland make known and declare by these presents that on this underwritten date we have allowed and granted to Jan Stevensen, Schoolmaster, a lot for a house and garden situated North of the Fort Amsterdam extending lengthwise twelve rods eight feet, four inches, five grains; wide in front of the house [sic] ten rods, nine feet one inch, five grains, in the rear wide, nine rods five feet, two grains; amounting in oblique surface to one hundred thirty three rods, nine inches two grains. With express conditions that he, Jan Stevensen, or those who by virtue of the present might acquire his right, do acknowledge as his Lords and patroons the said Hon Lords Managers, under the Sovereignty of the High Mighty Lords States General and here their Director and Council to obey in everything as good inhabitants are bound to do; further stipulating that he Jan Stevensen, shall submit to all such charges and duties as have already been imposed or shall still be imposed by the Hon. Lords Managers; therefore granting to said Jan Stevensen or those afterward acquiring his rights in our stead real and actual possession of said lot and garden, conferring upon him perfect and irrevocable power, authority and special order to inhabit, build upon and use the before described parcel of land, as he might do with his other patrimonial lands and effects, without we the grantors, in our aforesaid quality have retained, reserved or kept any the least property right, claim or authority in the same, but in behalf as before desisting from everything now and forever. Further promising to carry out and perform this conveyance firmly and irrevocably, all under pledge as required by law. This present has been subscribed to by us without guile or design, and confirmed with our seal in red wax, pending here below. Executed in Fort Amsterdam in New Netherland July 3, 1643

Willem Kieft

By authority of the Hon Lords Director General and Council of New Netherland.

Cornelius Van Tienhoven,
Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

GRANT TO JAN JANSEN DAMEN, MARCH 15, 1646

We Willem Kieft Director General, and Councillors by appointment of the High Mighty Lords States General of the United Netherlands, His Highness of Orange and the Hon. Lords Managers of the Privileged West India Company, residing in New Netherland, testify and declare by these presents that on this underwritten date we have allowed and granted to Jan Jansen Damen a parcel of land, situated on the Island of Manhattan named the "Kalckhoeck"* (in use by said Jan Damen for ten years prior to this date). Extent, according to the surveyor's map twenty morgens three hundred eighty six rods, under express condition that said Jan Damen, or his successors, shall acknowledge the said Lords Managers as his Lords and patroons under the sovereignty of their High Mightinesses, and here to obey in everything their Director and Councillors, as good inhabitants are bound to do, besides further submitting to all such charges and duties, as have been already imposed or are still to be imposed by the Hon. Lords. Therefore granting to said Jan Damen, or those acquiring his interests, in our stead real and actual possession of said "Kalckhoeck," conferring upon him by these presents perfect power, authority and special order to inhabit, use and

*"Kalckhoeck" means "Lime Corner." Site of the Tombs and the City Court building.

build on [or cultivate] the before described parcel of land, in the same manner as he might do with other, his patrimonial lands and effects, without we, the grantors in our above quality, reserving or holding any the least share, claim or authority in the same, but in behalf as above desisting from everything now and forever. Further promising firmly and irrevocably to hold, perform and carry out this conveyance, all under pledges as per law. This present has been subscribed to by us, without guile or craft, and confirmed by our seal in red wax, affixed here below. Executed in Fort Amsterdam in New Netherland, March 15, 1646.

Willem Kieft.

By authority of the Hon Lord Director General and Councillors of New Netherland,

Cornelis Van Tienhoven, Secretary

Endorsed:

Jan Jansen Damen

Pieter Stoutenburg.

[Translated from the Dutch]

DEED, WILHELM BEECKMAN, HARMEN SMEEMAN AND
MICHIEL JANSZ TO JAN EVERSZ BOUT, OCT. 10, 1655

We undersigned Schepens of this City of Amsterdam in New Netherland declare by these presents that before us there appeared Mr Wilhelm Beeckman, Harmen Smeeman and Michiel Jansz who declared each of them as far as concerns his right and claim of ownership, to transfer and convey to and in behalf of Jan Eversz Bout a certain house and lot standing and situate within this aforesaid city between the house and lot on the West side Nicolaes Boedt and on the East side Johannes Monseer DelaMontagne, Junior, at pres-

ent inhabited by Jan J. De Jongh, wide, in front on the street or North side three rods eight and one half foot, and in the rear on the Southside five rods and seven feet; length on the Westside ten rods and two feet and on the East side an equal ten rods and two feet, as the same at present is built up and fenced in, and has been measured by the Court messenger. By virtue of ground brief conveyance and letters patent which the said grantors possess of the same in accordance with their purchase and exchange, and now with this present, are delivered to said Jan Eversz Bout. Which said house and lot they, the grantors declare to convey and transfer in true and right ownership to said Jan Eversz Bout, with all such claim, right and ownership as they have managed and possessed the same, according to the said deeds of ownership. Therefore desisting from all further claims, title and pretensions which might be advanced either by themselves or any one on their behalf against the said house and lot, with promise (each for as much as concerns him or might be claimed on his account) to free said house and lot from all further claims or pretensions, to be advanced by any one in the world against the same (however excepting the Lord's rights.) Further promising to hold, perform and carry out this their transfer and conveyance firmly and irrevocably; under pledge of submission to all jurisdictions. In testimony the original of the present has been subscribed to by the respective grantors besides the Hon. Messrs Schepens Jacob Strycker and Johannes Van Brugge, in the record book at the Secretary's office in this City this October 10, 1655, at Amsterdam in New Netherland, and confirmed with the City seal impressed here below.

Agrees with the said Register,
Jacob Kip, Secretary.

Endorsed in English, Patent for the hows behind Mr Winder. 10th October, 1655.

Jan Evertse.

[Translated from the Dutch]

DEED, ABRAHAM VERPLANCK TO REV. JOHANNES
MEGAPOLENSIS, JAN. 21, 1656

We the undersigned Schepens of the City of Amsterdam in New Netherland declare by these presents that before us has appeared Abraham Verplanck burgher and inhabitant of this place, who declared to convey and cede to and in behalf of the Reverend Johannes Megapolensis, minister of the holy Gospel here, a certain lot situated within this aforesaid city on the North side of Fort Amsterdam, on the West side of the great Highway bounds: on the South side the lot by the said grantor sold and conveyed to Direk Bensich and by the same to said Dom. Johannes Megapolensis, on the East side the Common highway, on the North side the lot of Jannetie Sabyns and on the West side the river. Is wide; in front on the road four rods three feet one and a half inch and in the rear on the West side four rods ten and a half feet; length on the North side twelve rods and four feet, and on the south side nine rods and five feet, according to the measurement made by the Court messenger on August 13 last past; by virtue of a conveyance dated August 13, 1649 to said Abraham Verplanck by Jacob Jacobsz Rooy, as per patent granted July 3, 1643. Which said lot he Abraham Verplanck declared to convey and transfer in true and right ownership to said Dom. Johannes Megapolensis with all such claims, rights and ownership as he the grantor, has possessed and used the same, and has belonged to him. Desisting therefore from all claims, rights, and pretensions of ownership, which by him, the grantor, or any one on his behalf could be advanced acknowledging to be fully satisfied and paid for the same. With promise to free said lot from any challenge which any one might bring forward against the same (excepting however the Lord's right). Declaring further to keep, hold and carry out this his conveyance and transfer firmly and irrevocably under pledges as per law. In testimony whereof the original of this present has been subscribed to by the grantor Abraham Verplanck beside the hon Heeren Schepenen Jacob Strycker and Jan

Vigne, in the register in the office of the Secretary of this City, this 21 January 1656, at Amsterdam in New Netherland, and this present confirmed with the City seal, impressed here below.

Agrees with the aforesaid Register,

Jacob Kip, Secretary.

[Translated from the Dutch]

GRANT TO RUTGER JOOSTEN [VAN BRUNT], JAN. 18, 1662

Petrus Stuyvesant for the High Mighty Lords States General of the United Netherlands, and the Hon. Lord's Directors of the privileged West India Company, Director General of New Netherland, Curacao, Bonayro, Aruba and dependencies of the same, besides the Hon. Lord's Councilors, make known and declare that on this underwritten date we have allowed and granted to Rutger Joosten a parcel of land being a double lot, situated about the village of New Utrecht, toward the East of Tomas Jansen's, toward the West of Jan Gerrits's wide forty eight rods; Division line on either side running North East toward the East, length six hundred rods, extent forty-eight acres; a double lot in the village West of Cornelis Beeckman's, East of Nicasius De Sille wide twenty rods, long thirty rods. Further two lots in the valley, the one No 17 the other No 20, Extent four acres three hundred and twenty rods, with express conditions and proviso, that he Rutger Joosten, or those who subsequently may obtain his rights do acknowledge the Hon. Lords Directors mentioned before, as his Lords and patroons, under the Sovereignty of the High Mighty Lords States General, of the United Netherlands, and here their Director General and Council, to obey the same in everything as good inhabitants are in duty bound to do; besides submitting after the expiration of ten years after this present date, to the payment of the tenths

in behalf of the Hon. Lords Patroons, and such other charges as shall be found proper to be imposed on all inhabitants according to the country's need and situation. Therefore granting to said Rutger Joosten, in our stead, real and actual ownership of the aforesaid parcel of land, conferring upon him by these presents perfect power, authority, and special order, to cultivate, inhabit and use said parcel of land as he is entitled to do with other his patrimonial lands and effects; without we, the grantors, in our above named quality retaining in the same ownership or claim, but in behalf of the aforesaid desisting from everything from this day on and forever. Further promising, firmly and irrevocably to keep, perform and carry out this conveyance, all under pledge as prescribed by law. The present has been subscribed to by us, without guile or deceit, and confirmed with our seal imprinted hereon in red wax, at Fort Amsterdam in New Netherland, January 18, Anno 1662.

P. Stuyvesant.

By authority of said Lords Director General and Councilors of New Netherland.

Corn. Van Ruyven,
 Secr.

[Endorsed:] New Utrecht on the Long Island
 New Netherland.

The High Mighty Lords, the States General of the United Netherlands to Rutger Josten Grant for certain parcels of Land about the village of New Utrecht on the Long Island, January 18, 1662.

Corns Van Ruyven
 Secretary

P. Stuyvesant,
 Governor.

Ground brief or conveyance for certain parcels of land about the village of New Utrecht on the Long Island.

[Translated from the Dutch]

DEED, REV. JOANNES MEGAPOLENSIS TO C. VAN RUYVEN,
MARCH 10, 1663

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City of Amsterdam in New Netherland the Rev Domine Joannes Megapolensius Minister of the Word of God within this City who declares, by virtue of a conveyance dated August 3, 1655, to cede, transfer and convey in a right, true and free ownership to Mr Cornelis Van Ruyven, Secretary and Receiver for the Hon. West India Company of this Province of New Netherland, certain his lot with such passive and active servitudes and rights as he the grantor has possessed the same. Said lot is situated West of the Marketfield in this City bounded to the South by the house and lot of Mr Jacob DeLange Merchant, at Amsterdam in Europe to the North the house and lot of him the grantor; measured by the sworn surveyor Jacques Corteljou measurement the East and West side thirty eight Wood feet seven inches; long on either side of the street to the strand of the North River. All free and unencumbered without any charge resting on or originating from the same excepting the Lord's right. For which said lot for purchase, conveyance and transfer said Do. Magapolensius acknowledges and declares to have been thankfully satisfied and paid by the said Mr Van Ruyven. Therefore said Do. Joannes Megapolensius in behalf of the said Mr Cornelis Van Ruyven declares to desist from and renounce all ownership right, claims and

pretensions which he has had in the said lot, acknowledging not to act nor to have proceeded against the same either at law nor outside of the same in what manner soever, pledging his person and goods, real and personal none excepted, submitting the same to all [Courts] and jurisdictions. In testimony of the truth he the grantor, has subscribed to the present besides the Messrs Schepens Jacob Strycker and Jacques Cousseau, in the register, March 10, 1663 at Amsterdam in New Netherland and this has been confirmed with the City seal pending here below.

Agrees with the aforesaid Register,

Joannes Nevius,
Secretary

THE DEED OF REV MEGAPOLENSIS TO C. VAN RUYVEN,
HAS THE FOLLOWING ENDORSEMENTS:

The lot mentioned on the other side I have sold to Hon. Corn. Van Ruyven for the amount of nine hundred and fifty guilders, which have been fully and thankfully paid to me by said Corn. Van Ruyven. In testimony of the truth I have signed this present August 13, 1664 at Amsterdam in New Netherland.

Joannes Megapolensis
Eccls.

Further I have granted to said Van Ruyven or those happening to acquire his rights, as I do grant by this present A pathway on the North side of his lot from in front on the street to the rear on the street, wide throughout six feet. In testimony have subscribed to this present at New York, April 16/26, 1667.

Joannes Megapolensis.

On the eighth day of May 1672 Mrs Megapolensis, widow of the deceased Dom. Megapolensis, declared that for reasons inducing her to the same, she has transferred to Mr Cornelis Van Ruyven a little strip of a lot on the North side of his lot, length from the street to the strand, wide on the street 14 feet 4 inches; wide on the strand 25 feet, 4 inches. In testimony this has been subscribed to at New York, date as above.

Witnesses

Machtelt Megapolens

N. Bayard, Secretary

J. Van de Water.

[Translated from the Dutch]

GRANT TO FRANS JANSEN VAN HOOGHTEEN, AUGUST 1664

Petrus Stuyvesant by commission of the High Mighty Lords States General of the United Netherlands and the Hon. Lords Managers of the privileged West India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam, Director General of New Netherland, Curacao, Bonairo, Aruba and Dependencies of the same, besides the Lords Councillors Testify and declare that on this underwritten date we have allowed and granted to Frans Jansen Van Hooghten a lot for a house situated within this City West of Hans Dreper East of Nicolaes Jansen Backer, stretching from the strand to the street, wide on the North side twenty seven wood feet, four inches, South side twenty seven feet one inch upon express condition that he Frans Jansen, or those acquiring his right after him, shall acknowledge the said Hon. Lords Managers as their Lords and patroons under the Sovereignty of the High Mighty Lords States General, and to obey in everything their Director General and Council, as good inhabitants are bound to do,

further submitting to such charges and duties as [half a line out] and occasion shall be found to be required. Therefore granting to said Frans Jansen in our stead real and actual possession of the said lot conferring upon him by this present perfect power, authority and special order to build on and use said lot as he might do with other his patrimonial lands and effects, without we, the grantors, in our above quality, retaining any ownership or claim in the same, but in behalf as above, desisting from everything now and forever. Therefore promising firmly and irrevocably to hold, observe and carry out this conveyance. All under pledge as per law. Without guile or craft this has been subscribed by us, and confirmed by our seal affixed hereon in red wax. In Fort Amsterdam in New Netherland the [out] August, 1664.

P. Stuyvesant

By authority of the same

C. V. Ruyven, Secretary

[Translated from the Dutch]

DEED, TOMAS FREDRICKS TO ABRAHAM LUBBERSZ,
FEBRUARY 12, 1664

Appeared before us undersigned Schepens of the City Amsterdam in New Netherland Tomas Fredricksz living in the village Bergen, who declares by virtue of conveyance dated June 29, 1656, to cede, convey and transfer to Abraham Lubbersz in right, true, free ownership certain his lot, with such passive and active servitudes and rights as he grantor has possessed the same, as the said lot is enclosed built upon and confined, situated West of the Prince graft bounding to the South on the house and lot of Nicholaas DelaPlaine and to the North the tannery of Coenraet Ten Eyck. Wide in front on the street or West side twenty six feet, in the rear

twenty seven feet, length on the South as well as the North-side fifty nine feet, all free and unencumbered, without any charge resting on or originating from the same, excepting the Lord's right. For which said lot for purchase, transfer and conveyance said Tomas Fredricks acknowledges and declares to have been well and thankfully satisfied and paid by said Abraham Lubbersz. Therefore said Tomas Fredricks in behalf of the said Abraham Lubbersz, declares desist from and renounce all ownershipright, claims and pretensions which he may have had on the said lot, promising not to proceed nor to have proceeded against the same neither at law nor outside the same, in what manner soever. Pledging his person and goods real and personal none excepted, submitting the same to all courts and jurisdictions.

In testimony of the truth this has been subscribed to by the grantor, besides the Messrs Schepens Tymotheus Gabry and Nicolaas De Meyer, in the register, this February 12, 1664, at Amsterdam in New Netherland, and confirmed by the President by impressing the city seal.

Agrees with the said register,
Joannes Nevius, Secretary.

Endorsed: Conveyance of a lot recorded in this.—

[Translated from the Dutch]

GRANT, GOV. RICHARD NICOLLS TO OLOFF STEVENS, JULY
8TH, 1667.

Richard Nicolls, Esq^r. Governor Gen^{all} und^r. his Royall Highnesse, James Duke of York and Albany, &c, of all his Territoryes in America; To all to whom these presents shall come, sendeth Greeting. Whereas there was a Patent or Groundbriefe, heretofore graunted by the Dutch Governour, William Kieft, unto Jan Cornelisen van Hoorne, for a certaine Lott of Ground, lying and being wth in this City; ffenc't in

between the Lotts, which hee the said Jan Cornelissen, sold unto Albert Trompetter, William Beekman and Burger Joris, and the Lott belonging unto him, by the Horse Mill; Containing in breadth before to the Streete, on the North side, two Rod and eight ffoote, and on the South side the like; In length on the East side, nine rod nine ffoote, and on the west side, nine Rod six ffoote, which said Patent or Groundbriefe, so graunted as aforesaid, bearing date the 23d day of June 1645 was upon the 8th day of Augst 1650 Transported and made over by the said Jan Cornelissen unto Mr. Oloffte Stevens van Cortlant, now one of the Aldermen of this City, and ye same Allowed of, and Confirmed, on the 12th day of Sept. following, by the Dutch Governour Petrus Stuyvesant; Now for a further Confirmation unto him the said Mr. Oloffte Stevens, in his Possession and Enjoyment of the premisses, Know yee, That by vertue of the Commission and Authority unto mee given by his Royall Highnesse, I have Ratified, Confirmed and graunted, and by these p'sents, do Ratify, Confirme and graunt, unto Mr. Oloffte Stevens, his heires and Assignes, the above recited Lott of Ground and premisses, with all and Singular the Appurtenances: To have and to hold, the said Lott of Ground and premisses, unto the said Mr. Oloffte Stevens, his heires and Assignes, unto the proper use and behoofe, of the said Mr. Oloffte Stevens, his heires and Assignes for ever. Rendring and Paying, such Dutyes and Acknowledgm^{ts}, as now are, or hereafter shall bee, Constituted and Establish't, by the Lawes of this Governm^t. under the obedience of his Royall Highnesse, his heires and Successo^{rs}. Given under my hand and Seale, at ffort James in New Yorke, the 8th day of July, in the 19th yeare of his Ma^{ties}, Reigne, Annoq Domini 1667.

Richard Nicolls.

Recorded by Ord^r. of the Governo^r.
the day and yeare above written.

Matthias Nicolls, Secr.

GRANT, GOV. RICHARD NICOLLS TO BURGER JORIS,
DECEMBER 3, 1667.

Richard Nicolls Esq. Governo^r. Gen^{all}., und^r. his Royall Highnesse, James Duke of Yorke and Albany &c., of all his Territoryes in America; To all to whom these presents shall come, sendeth Greeting. Whereas there was a patent or Groundbriefe, heretofore graunted by the Dutch Governo^r. William Kieft, unto Hendrick Jansen, for a certaine Lott of Ground & two Houses within this City, lying and being towards the East River, next unto the Lott heretofore belonging to Tymen Jansen; Containing in breadth before, ten Rod six ffoote and one Graine; Behinde foureteen Rod, one ffoote, foure Inches; on the East side in Length, nine Rod one ffoote and foure Inches, and on the west side, ffifteene Rod two ffoote; Amounting in all to one hundred, ffifty six Rod three ffoote seven Inches and five Graines; Which said Patent or Groundbriefe, so graunted as aforesaid, bearing date the 20th day of January 1664 was, upon the 16th day of September following, transported and made over unto Burger Jorisen, by the said Hendrick Jansen, wth. all his Right and Interest therein, by the name of the Housing Brew House, Lott and Garden there unto appertaining, as in the said Transport more at large is sett forth; Now for a Confirmation unto him the said Burger Joris, in his Possession and Enjoym^t of so much of the premisses, as remains untransported. Know yee, that by vertue of the Commission and Authority unto mee given by his Royall Highnesse, I have Ratified, Confirmed and graunted, And by these presents, do Ratify, Confirme and graunt, unto Burger Joris, his heires and Assignes, the afore recited Lott of Ground, two Houses, Garden and premisses, with all and singular their Appurtenances: To have and to hold, the said Lott of Ground, Houses, Garden and premisses, unto the said Burger Joris, his heires and Assignes, unto the proper use and behoofe of the said Burger Joris, his Heires and

Assignes for ever; Rendring and Paying, such Dutyes and Acknowledgements, as now are, or hereafter shall bee, Constituted and Establisht, by the Lawes of this Government, under the Obedience of his Royal Highnesse, his heires and Successors: Given under my hand and Seale at ffort James in New Yorke, the 3d, day of Decembr, in ye. 19th yeare of his Ma^{ties}. Reigne, Annoq Domini 1667.

Richard Nicolls

Recorded by Ord. of the Governo^r.
the day and yeare above written.

Matthias Nicolls, Secr^y.

Endorsed: On the 2d. day of July A^o 1668 did Burger Joris by Vertue of the Within Mentioned Pattents assigne to Thomas Lewis a Lot of Ground & a dwelling house with a Still House, as more at Large appeares upon the Records of this City.

Entred by me

N. Bayard, Sec^y.

DEED, DUKE OF YORK TO RICHARD NICHOLLS, JULY 5, 1669

Know all men by these presents, That I James Duke of york and Albany, Earle of Ulster, Ld High Admirall of England and Ireld Constable of Dover Castle Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports and Governor of Portsmouth &c for and in consideracon of the sume of five hundred Pounds to me in hand paid Have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do fully cleerely and absolutely bargain and sell unto Richard Nicholls Esqr. That my house late belonging to Gillis Peterson Van Brough scitueate in the Brewers or Stonestreet in New York in America. To have and to hold the said house wth the appurtenances unto him

the said Richard Nicholls his heirs and assignes to his and their proper uses and behoofes for ever. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seale of New York at St. James's this 5th of July 1669

James

Sealed and delivered in
presence of

M. Wren

Tho: Heywood

Know all men by these presents That I the above said Richard Nichols Esqr for ye said Consideracon of five hundred Pounds to Me in hand paid by Mr. Thomas Delavall, the Rect whereof I do hereby acknowledge, Have granted bargained sold assigned & set over, and do hereby grant bargaine, sell assigne and set over unto the said Thomas Delaval, All my Right title, Interest, Clayme and demande whatsoever wch I now have or may prtend to have in the house above mentioned, To have and to hold the said house with the appes: to the said Thomas Delavall his heires and assignes to his and their proper uses for ever. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seale this 6th of July 1669.

R: Nicolls

Sealed & Delivered

in presence of

Tho Billopp

Abraham Horton.

Recorded in the office of Records for the Province of New Yorke in Lib B. fol. (315) the 27th day of Sept. 1681

John West. Cl.

[Endorsed]: R. Hs Transport of two houses in New Yorke
1669. 6th July.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION, JUNE 30, 1674

WORTHY, DEAR, FAITHFUL

Whereas it has graciously pleased the only good and kind God again to favor the State, our fatherland, in general and this province in particular, not only with peaceful times and renewal of a previous union and alliance with the crown of England, but that which is to be esteemed above everything else, the continuance of the pure religion; Therefore the Hon. Lord Governor General and Councillors of New Netherland have deemed it necessary by these presents to order the observance of a general day of thanksgiving which (with the cessation of the ordinary day of fasting and prayer) shall be generally observed within this province in the forenoon, on the second Wednesday of the next ensuing month of July, being the 11th day of the said month; And that everything may be the better and more properly practiced and observed at the religious services on the said day of thanksgiving it is by these presents forbidden to transact any business or carry on trade, or play any games or the like exercises, and all innkeepers are forbidden from selling drinks upon the penalty prior to this enacted for the same. And all magistrates and officers in the province to whom this present shall be sent are required and ordered that this missive shall be made known to their communities by publication, and to proceed against those contravening as is meet. Trusting in this, we remain,

Worthy, dear, faithful,

Your affectionate friends the Governor General
and Councillors of New Netherland

By order of the same

N. Bayard, Secretary

Fort William Henry
in New Netherland,
June 30, 1674.

[Translated from the Dutch]

EXTRACT FROM THE ACT OF PARTITION AND DIVISION
BETWEEN THE HEIRS OF OLOFF STEVENSZ,
DATED JUNE 27, 1684

That Jacobus Van Cortlant besides the new house granted him as his marriage portion, shall likewise have and retain as a free property the lot situated in the rear of the said new house, in length to the South side of the Cow pen; and in breadth from the Northwest corner of the New house to one half of the length of the South East corner of the brewhouse; further from the half length with a bend to the beginning of the path which is reserved at the brewhouse, which path must remain open alongside the said brewhouse, fit to serve as a wagon road nine wood feet in width to the utmost length of the said lot. Further the present alley between the said new house and the old house of deceased Cortlant shall for ever remain in Common, between the said two houses besides a free entrance and door at the end of the new house in the said lot of Jacobus Van Cortlant. And whereas the well having belonged to the brewery has now happened to fall in the lot of said Jacobus, therefore the same shall be bound to allow and permit to the Brewery a free access and unmolested use of the said well till the month of September of the next year, 1685, and no longer.

Extracted from the original Act of partition and division between the heirs of deceased Oloff Stevensz, executed June

be, 1684, and has been found to agree with the same December 27, 1689.

At New Yorke, by me,
W. Bogardus, Not. Pub.

[Translated from the Dutch]

DEED, CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK TO WHITE
TIMMER, JUNE 1, 1687.

To All Christian People To whom this present writeing Shall Come The Mayor Aldermen and Comonalty of the City of New York Send Greeting. Know Yee That the said Mayor Aldermen & Comonalty ffor Divers good Causes & Valuable Considerations them moveing have Remised Released & for Ever quitt Claimed And by these p'sents for them and their successors do fully Clearly & absolutely Remise Release. and for Ever quitt Claime unto White Timmer of the Citty aforesd Gunsmith in his ffull & peaceable possession & seizin & to his heires & assignes for Ever All such Right Estate title Interest and Demand whatsoever as they the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty now have had or ought to have of in or to all that certaine peece of Ground Scituate Lyeing and being in the Smiths Street within the sd. Citty next to y^e houses and Grounds of Lawrence Hendrix & the Houses & Grounds Gertie Dye being in Length to y^e East side fifty eight ffoot English measure and the west side towards the Street y^e Like quantity and in breadth to y^e north side fifteen & one half fott [sic] and to y^e south side fforty one foot English measure together with all and singular y^e houses and buildings thereuppon ways passages Comodiditys heriditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to y^e same belonging or appertaining by any way or means whatsover. To have and to hold The said peece of Ground with y^e houses buildings ways passages

Comoditys & heriditaments and appurtenances aforesd Unto the said White Timer his heires and assignes for ever so that neither the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty nor their successors nor any other person or psons for them or in their names or in the name Right or stead of any of them shall or will by any way or meanes hereafter have claime challenge or Demand any Estate Right title or Interest of in or to y^e premisses or any parte or parcell thereof but from all and every exaction Right Estate Title Interest & demand of in or to y^e p^rmisses or any parte or parcell thereof they the said Mayor Aldermen and comonalty and their successor shall be Utterly Excluded & barred for ever he y^e sd White Timmer his heires and assignes Yeilding and Paying therefore yearly and every year unto the said Mayor Aldermen and Comonalty and their successors on Evry five & twentyeth day of March the Rent of one Shilling ——— if the same be lawfully demanded . In Wittnesse Whereof the said Mayor Aldermen & Comonalty of the sd Citty of New Yorke have caused the common seal of y^e said Citty To be hereunto affixed and these presents to be signed by the Mayor of the said Citty this first day of June in the third year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord James the second king over England &c and in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred and eighty seaven.

N. Bayard, Mayor.

[Endorsed]

Entered in the Records of the Citty of
New York the third day of June 1687 by
John Knight, Clk.

DEED, JACOBUS VAN CORTLANT TO ANTHONY
LISPENARD, DECEMBER 27, 1689

In manner and on conditions explained hereafter Mr
Jacobus Van Cortlant sold to Anthony Liepenaer [Lispensard],

who by this present accepts the purchase, a certain his house and lot where he the grantor is living at present, standing and situated within this City of New Yorcke in the Brewer Street, between the house and lot of Mr Stephanus Van Cortlant and Mr James Bery, extent in length and width and fences as he the grantor has possessed and occupied the same to this date, according to the act of partition and division of the estate, entered into and agreed on June 27, 1684, with the other and co-heirs, read to the purchaser in the presence of the undersigned Witnesses; an extract from said act of partition and division, as far as regards him shall be delivered to him, in order to regulate himself according to the same; besides everything being further therein or thereon fixed in the ground and fastened by nail, nothing reserved, excepting the door locks of two upper rooms, shown to the purchaser and which he the grantor retains to himself without charge and is at liberty to remove; and further free and unencumbered except the Lord's right. For the purchase of which said house and lot, in manner as aforesaid, the purchaser agrees and promises to pay or cause to be paid to the grantor Mr Jacobus Van Cortlant or to order and those entering upon his rights the amount of three hundred and fifty pounds of money current in this Country or in seawan or silver money to be delivered in this city, viz; One hundred pounds at the first day of May next, when the vacating, and delivery of said house and lot in manner as aforesaid to the purchaser, shall be accomplished; One hundred pounds the first of May 1691, being the second pay; the third installment also one hundred pound the first of May 1692; and the last installment being fifty pounds the first of May 1693. Transfer and conveyance in due form shall be executed either by the grantor himself or his lawful heirs, administrators, executors or assigns, at the full and final payment. Meanwhile the purchaser shall bear and enjoy the profits, charges and benefits of the said house and lot in manner as aforesaid, after the delivery on May 1, as has been stipulated before. It has

been agreed that the Notary's salary, the expenses of the Conveyance shall be borne and paid for half by the purchaser and half by the grantor. For the observance and satisfaction of this present we the undersigned pledge our respective persons and goods none excepted, subjecting them to all courts and judges. Thus executed and signed by us, and sealed at New York, December 27, 1689.

J. V. Cortlandt
 Anthoine Lespnard [Lispenard]

Signed, delivered and sealed in our
 presence as witnesses
 Brandt Schuyler
 Paul Richard.

To which testifies
 W. Bogardus, Not. Pub.

Receipts.

New Yorcke, April 2, 1690.

Then received of Anthony Liepenaer the amount
 of one hundred pounds, being the first in stallment
 £100 of the house, Received by me,

J. V. Cortlandt.

N. Yorcke, May 13, 1691.

Received of Anthony Liepenaer the amount of
 one hundred pound being the second installment
 £100 on the house.

J. V. Cortlandt.

N. Yorcke, July 18, 1692.

Then received of Anthony Lispenaer the amount of fifty three pound and an order on Jan Libertee for the amount of forty seven pound, amounting together to one hundred pound, which I acknowledge having received for the third installment on the house.

£100

J. V. Cortlandt

The 4th installment is not recorded on the document from which the above is a translation from [the Dutch.]

DEED, MILES FORSTER TO CHRISTINA VEENVOS,
NOVEMBER 23, 1696.

This Indenture made the Twenty third day of November, in the Yeare of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred ninety Six, and in the Eight Yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord William the third over England &c. King—Between Miles Forster of the Citty of New Yorke Marchant and Rebecca his wife of the one part, And Christina Veenvos widdow and Relict of Danyell Veenvos late of the Citty of New Yorke Deceased of the other Part;— Whereas the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the Citty of New Yorke have in & by a Certaine Indenture or writing under the Commen Seal of the said Citty and Signed by the Mayor of the Said Citty Graunted Bargained, Sold, Released and Confirmed unto the said Miles fforster his heires & assignes for ever; all that certaine peece or Parcell of Ground Scituatt

lying and being neare the Street or place Commonly called called Queene Street within the Citty of New Yorke aforesaid; Containing in Length on the East & West Sides there of one hundred and Sixteene foot or the Low water marke, and in breadth in front and in the Reare forty two foot all English measure as the same is Layd out & Survayed by the Sworne Surveyors of the said Citty. Bounded Easterly by the Ground of Danyell Veenvos, Southerly by the River or harbour of the Said Citty at Low Water Marke Westerly by the Ground of Samuell States, and northerly by the Said Street or highway, together wth all the Easments Profitts, Commoditties, hereditements appurtenances and other the advantages to the said peece or Parcell of Ground & premises belonging or in any wise appertaining, or of, in, or unto every or any part thereof, together wth all & Singuler the uses Profitts, Benefitts advantages and Emolumentes Growing, arising or accruing, by or from the werfe erected & Built thereupon; as by the said Indenture Relation thereunto being had more fully and at Large doth & may appeare; Now This Indenture wittneseth that the said Miles fforster by and with the consent of Rebecca his wife Testified by her being a Partie to these Presents and Signing and Sealing the same, as well for & in Consideration of a Competent Sume of monny to him in hand Payd by the Said Christina Veenvos at and Before the Ensealing and Delivery of these presents; the Receipt whereof hee the Said Miles fforster doth hereby acknowledge and himselfe therewith fully Satisfyed and Contented; as allsoo for Divers other Good Causes & Considerations him hereunto Especially moving; Hath Graunted Bargained & Sold and by these Presents doth Graunt Bargaine and Sell unto the said Christina Veenvos her heires & assignes forever all that the before Recited peece or Parcell of Ground Scituatt lying & being Butted & Bounded & Containing as aforesaid; together with all and Singuler the Easments, Profits advantages, Commoditties, hereditements and appurtenances to the said peece or Parcell of ground and

Premises Belonging or in any wise appurtaining and the Reversion & Reversions, Remainder and Remainders, of all and Singuler the premises with the appurtenances, and all the Estate, Right, Title, use, Possession, C[la]ime & Demand whatsoever of him ye said Miles Forster of, in, or unto every or any part thereof; To have and to hold the said peece or Parcell of Ground beforementioned or Intended to bee hereby Bargained & Sold with their & every of their appurtenances unto her the Said Christina Veenvos her heires and assignes for ever; to and for the only Proper use and Behoofe of her the Said Christina Veenvos her heirs and assignes for ever; Yeilding and Paying therfor yearly and every yeare hereafter unto the Mayor Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New Yorke and their Successors the Yearly Rent of one Pepper Corne at or upon the five and twetheth [*sic*] day of March, if the Same Shall Lawfully bee demanded; And the said Christina Veenvos for her selfe her heires and assignes doth Covenant Promise Graunt and agree to and with the Said Miles fforster his heires and assignes doth Covenant Promise Graunt and agree, to and with the Said Miles fforster his heires Exec^{rs} and Admi^{rs} in manner and fforme following, (that is to Say) That the Said Christina Veenvos her heires and assignes or Some or one of them shall and will at her or their owne proper Charge & Expence henceforward and from time to time, uphold; mainetaine Sustaine, keep and Repaire in good and Sufficiant mannor plight and Condition all that the Said Wharfe or [Street] Belonging to the Said Lott or [Tuft] of Ground, being thirty foot English Measure in Breadth; As allsoo that the Street aforesaid shall for ever hereafter Remaine Continue & bee for the free & Commen Passage and a Publicq Street and way for the Inhabitants of the Said City of New Yorke and all others Passing and Returning through or by the Same in Like mannor as the other Publicq Streets of the Said City now are or Lawfully ought to bee; And the Said Miles fforster for himselfe his heires Executors and adminis-

trators doth hereby Covenant Promise Graunt and agree to and with the Said Christina Veenvos her heires and assignes by these presents; That the abovesaid Peece or Parcell of Ground and other y^e Premisses herein beforementioned to be Bargained and Sold and every part and parcell thereof at the time of the Ensealing and Delivery hereof, are and soo at all times hereafter for ever, shall bee and Remaine and Continue unto the Said Christina Veenvos her heires and assignes, Cleerly acquitted and Discharged or otherwise Sufficiently saved and kept harmelesse of and from all and all manner of fformer and other Bargaines Sayles, Gifts Graunts, Leasus, Joyntures, Dowes uses, wills Intayles Rents, Charges arrerages of Rents, Statutes, Recognizances, Judgements, Executions, Sesures, Intrusions, Extents and of and and from all and Singuler other Charges, Titles, Troubles, Incombrances and Demands whatsoever, had made acknowledged Consented unto Committeed Procured donor Suffered by the Said Miles Forster or by any other Person or Persons whatsoever by his consent [or] Procurement; And that the Said Christina Veenvos her heirs & assignes shall from time to time and at all times for ever hereafter Peaceably and Quietly have hold Posses and Enjoy all and Singuler the herein before mentioned to bee Bargained Premisses with their and Every of their appurtenances according to the true Intent & meaning of these presents, without any Lett hindrence or Molestation of him the Said Miles Forster his heires and assignes or any of them, or of any other Person or Persons whatsoever Clayming any Right Title or Interest in or to the Same or Any Part thereof; and the Same Shall and will warrent and Defend for ever against all Persons whatsoever by these Presents; In Wittnesse whereof the said parties to these Present Indentures have hereunto Interchangeably Sett their hands & Seales the day and Yeare first above written;

Christina Veen Vos.

Sealed and Delivered

in the Presence of

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[word out] before Sealing—

Saml. Bayard.

Richd Ashfield.

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[Deed for Staten Island, July 1640]

We Willem Kieft, Director General and Councillors in behalf of the High Mighty Lords States General of the United Netherlands, His Highness of Orange and the Hon. Managers of the General Privileged West India Company, residing in New Netherland: Make Known that on this underwritten date we have given and granted as we are giving and granting by these presents (by virtue of a certain Act, dated July 1640, conceded by said Lords Managers), to Cornelius Melyn the entire Staten Island, situated on the Bay and North River of New Netherland, excepting so much land as appertains to a farm which by us Director and Councillors before mentioned had been granted and given—before the date of the before mentioned Act—to David Peterse De Vries of Hoorn, which land has also been occupied by him David Peterse; all under express condition that he, Cornelius Melyn, or those by virtue of the present entering upon his rights, shall acknowledge the said Hon. Heeren Managers as their Lords, under the Sovereignty of the High Mighty Lords the States General; and hereto obey their Director and Councillors as good inhabitants are bound to do; providing he, Melyn, or those entering upon his right, submit in whole and in part to all such charges and requisitions as—in accordance with the exemptions of New Netherland—have been already levied or shall yet be levied by the Managers; consequently constituting in quality and by virtue as expressed before, said Cornelis Melyn,

in our stead, real and actual possessor of the aforesaid parcel of land; granting him by these presents perfect power, authority and special order to take possession of cultivate, inhabit, use, the said Staten Island—except the said farm—as he may do with other his patrimonial lands and effects, without we, the grantors, in the aforesaid quality are reserving or retaining any the least share, claim or authority in the same, desisting of the same in behalf of as above.

The above is a true copy of the Part of a Patent as it is found in the Dutch book of Record in the Secry's office of the Province of New York.

Pr. M: Clarkson, Secry.

[Translated from the Dutch]

In manner and on conditions hereafter expressed the Very Noble Jongheer (Lord) Godert Van Reede, Lord of Nederhorst, etc., has agreed with Cornelis Melyn that the said Lord of Nederhorst shall receive and possess in ownership the just half of the colonies acquired by Cornelis Melyn from the West India Company on Staten Island or elsewhere to be selected as well in regard to jurisdiction as to ownership of the lands, woods, and all other rights, appertaining to the said colony. Which one half said Melyn by these presents cedes to the Lord of Nederhorst; the other half as well as in regard to jurisdiction, lands, woods and rights appertaining to the same remaining to the said Cornelis Melyn; provided that said colony with the consent and approbation of both parties, shall be divided in two equal parts, an exact map of which shall be made and sent over by the said Melyn, to be then drawn for by the said Lord of Nederhorst, and by the said Melyn. And in case the said Lord of Nederhorst should draw the part upon which said Melyn

should have incurred any expenses, said Lord of Nederhorst in such case shall pay indemnification, upon the award of expert arbitrators. With the distinct understanding that each for his own share shall bear his own expenses and shall people the same, and further each shall regulate his own property in such a manner as they shall deem proper without having anything further in community with the other; with express condition that if the Lord Count of Solms in regard to his Colony should happen to acquire any more privileges from the West India Company or their High Mightinesses, that said Lord of Nederhorst shall also exert himself as much as possible that said Melyn, in such case, shall also receive similar condition and privileges for his portion, without however being obliged to positively acquire the same. Said Melyn promising to act as superintendent and to take care that the people to be sent there by the Lord of Nederhorst (who will do so as soon as his Honor shall find an opportunity) shall be held to their duty, and to report on the same from time to time. The said people to be sent there by the said Lord of Nederhorst are not to act in weighty matters unless with the advice of the said Cornelis Melyn. In ratification of which parties mutually pledge their respective persons and goods, submitting the same for this purpose to all Lords, Courts and jurisdictions. In testimony respective parties have subscribed to this present (which remains in the custody of me Jan De Graeff Notary Public at Amsterdam) in the presence of and with me Notary, at Amsterdam, this sixth of May, old style, of the year sixteen hundred forty one.

Agrees with the minute of the deceased Notary Jan De Graeff, this 16th January Anno 1648.

By me

F. Steur, Notary Public

1648.

Endorsed:

Agremt with the Lord Nederhorst and Cornelis Melyn
[Translated from the Dutch]

We, Willem Kieft Director General and Councillors for the High Mighty Lords States General of the United Netherlands, his Highness of Orange and the Hon. Heeren Managers of the privileged West India Company, residing in New Netherland, Make known and declare by these presents that on this underwritten date we have granted to Burger Joorissen a lot situated on the bank of the East River on the Island Manhatans to the East of the Fort, extending to the East eleven rods and to the North ten rods, being an uneven square amounting to one hundred and ten rods of land; with express conditions and stipulations that he, Borger Joorisen, or those acquiring by virtue of this present his right, shall acknowledge the aforesaid Heeren Managers as his Lords and Patroons under the Sovereignty of the High Mighty Lords States General, and here their Director and Councillors to obey in everything as good inhabitants are bound to do; and provided he, Burger Joorisen further submits to all such charges and duties as have already been imposed or shall yet be imposed by the Hon. Heeren. It is also stipulated that Burger Joorissen, in one or two years time, on the said lot on the strand shall yet cause to be built a good house. Therefore conferring upon said Burger Jorissen, or those entering upon his right in our stead real and actual ownership of said lot, granting him by these presents absolute and irrevocable power and authority and special order to build on, inhabit, and use said lot, as he might do with other his patrimonial lands and possessions, without we grantors, in our afore stated quality, having, reserving or retaining any the least share, ownership or authority in the same, but in behalf of as above from now on and forever renouncing everything, promising further firmly, irrevocably and unbreakably to observe and carry out this their Conveyance, all under pledge as expressed by law; without guile or craft this has been subscribed by us and confirmed with our seal in red wax, in Fort Amsterdam April 28th, 1643, New Style. Was signed Willem Kieft.

By order of the Hon. Heeren Directors and Councillors
of New Netherland

Cornelis Van Tienhoven
Secretary.

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A true Copy

David Jamison

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Endorsed in Dutch

Grant of Burger Jorison, of the 28th April 1643.

[Translated from the Dutch]

In the year after the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ one thousand six hundred four and forty the 17th day of December, appeared before me Cornelis Van Tienhoven, Secretary of New Netherland, Burger Jorisen, Farrier (hoefsmid) and inhabitant here, who declared in the presence of the below subscribed witnesses to convey and transfer in a true free ownership to Mr. Cornelis Melyn, his house and lot situated on the island Manhatans, as he is by these presents conveying and transferring said lot and house by virtue of ground brief & conveyance granted by the Director and Councillors of New Netherland, dated April 28, 1643. On account whereof he Burger Jorisen Constitutes in his stead as real and actual owner of the said lot and house said Cornelis Melyn or those entering upon his right, granting him irrevocable power, authority and what has been expressed before, so that he, Melyn, may do with and dispose of the same as he might do with other his patrimonial estate, without he, the grantor, retaining in the same any ownership or claim (the bill of sale having been satisfied), but renouncing the same from now on for ever. In testimony hereof, the

Minute of the present has been subscribed to at the record office by Burger Jorissen, Will. De Kay & Gysbert Opdyck, as witnesses invited for this purpose. Done at Fort Amsterdam in New Netherland, December 17, 1644, New Style. It was subscribed to with the mark of Burger Jorisen and signed in the name of Burger Jorisen.

On March 18, 1661 the here standing name has been put down by Burger Jorisse.

To which we testify

N. De Sille, N. Bayard

A true copy taken from the Records being much toorne. (signed) David Jamison. D:Secry.

Endorsed in Dutch: Conveyance of Burger Joris to Cornelis Melyn, December 17th, 1644.

[Translated from the Dutch]

[Mandamus April 28, 1648]

The States General of the United Netherlands, To the first Marshall or Messenger having power to serve when requested, Greeting: Make Known, that we, having received the humble supplication presented to us by and in behalf of Jochem Pietersz Cuyter and Cornelis Melyn, containing that they, petitioners, with permission and leave of the Assembly of the XIX of the General West India Company, with wife and children and with private means, besides a large herd of cattle, in the year one thousand six hundred and thirty nine, transported themselves from these countries to New Netherland, so that they, petitioners, after enormous expenses, difficulties and inexpressible labor, got into condition, in the year sixteen hundred forty three, their lands,

houses and other undertakings which in the aforesaid year on account of the war (waged by Director Kieft unjustly and contrary to all international law, with the savages or natives of New Netherland) they have been obliged to abandon and as a consequence lost all their property. On account hereof the petitioners, besides the other six Selected Men took counsel and in the name of the joint Commonality in New Netherland in the year sixteen hundred forty four by the Blue Cock, sent two letters: to the said Assembly of the XIX, as also to the Directors in Amsterdam, containing their grievances regarding this matter, the disasters grown out of these actual murders, massacres and many other cruelties (which is appalling to every christian conscience having information hereof) which Director Kieft at the time, has caused to be perpetrated by his forces among the simple and innocent savages, as may be learned more at large from the original letter to the XIX; so that the Eight selected men did not know that they had transgressed in this matter, but had hoped that the same would have been taken in good part by the Lords Directors. But petitioners find on the contrary that their writings were taken in the worst part by the Lords, who consequently returned said letter with the New Director Stuyvesant to New Netherland to Director Kieft, from which subsequently followed that said Kieft began to proceed very vigorously against the Eight Select Men (especially against both petitioners) and has caused them to be prosecuted by the Fiscal. In such a manner that Director Stuyvesant (in order to please said Kieft in the matter) has banished petitioners for a number of years out of the country because they were not willing to repeal the truth, and adhered to their previous writings. Petitioners thereupon turned to us, requesting, imploring and praying for God's Sake, that we should be pleased to maintain them in their just cause, that they might again be able to join their poor, desolute wives and children, and to be reinstated in their former condition on their devastated lands. And in case petitioners have

transgressed through any improper documents (tending to the damage of New Netherland or the common weal, which they have never attempted) they submit to such punishment as we shall find to be proper. But on the contrary it will be shown that petitioners in their writings did not consider anything but that the common prosperity and the desire for peace in New Netherland might again be restored, and that the inhuman cruelties, tryanny and evil government (which in that country from time to time have been inflicted by the officers of the West India Company especially by Director Kieft upon the inhabitants of New Netherland) might be stopped. As a consequence of these barbaric proceedings the entire government of that country has been erupted the householders chased away, their lands laid waste, the farms and plantations to the number of fifty or sixty burnt and reduced to cinders. And, worst of all, the the name of the Netherland nation, on account of the cruel acts is most thoroughly detested by the Heathens of that country. And then when the poor inhabitants complained about these and other harsh proceedings to the High Sovereign Government, they were, by the Director, chased out of the country, in such a manner that in course of time the country was denuded of the Dutch inhabitants, and at present there are found there little more than a hundred males (excepting the private traders), and therefore it is to be feared that the English (who arrived some years after the Dutch, and within fifteen years increased to about fifty or sixty thousand souls in New England) and already now have had a taste of the fruitfulness and also of the convenient navigable rivers of our New Netherland, will in course of time attempt to become masters of the same. On account whereof petitioners again cordially pray that this aforesaid, and their humble petition may be considered by us, and they may be granted their reasonable and just request, which has even been promised by the Assembly of the XIX in their Freedoms of 1630 to all Patroons and Free Residents. Considering which we order and command you,

commissioning you by these presents, that at the request of the said petitioners you summon in our behalf the aforesaid Director Stuyvesant and the members of the New Netherland government before mentioned, besides all others; if necessary to come and appear, or send attorneys, on an appropriate day, before us here at the Hague, to maintain and defend the aforesaid sentences and the tenor of the same or if they deem proper to renounce the same; to see and to hear the same pronounced null, void and of no value and in consequence modify and correct the same, as per law, if such be necessary; to reply to such questioning as petitioners shall be inclined to put on the proper day, in order, parties heard, petitioners may be granted by us such remedies of Justice, and also of grace, if necessary, as shall be found requisite, and be appropriate to the cause. Further forbidding and most rigorously ordering on our behalf if need be on certain heavy penalty, the aforesaid defendants and all others, that pending the case in appeal they do not act, attempt, nor innovate anything against nor in prejudice of the same, nor of the said appellants; but in case anything should have been done, attempted or innovated contrary to the same, that immediately and without delay they repair the same, putting it in its first and proper state. Leaving, in behalf of defendants, copy of the present and of your service, relating to us on the said day what you shall have done in this matter. Given at The Hague, on the twenty eighth of April, sixteen hundred and forty eight.

Hieron: Eyben^{v^t}

By order of the above named Lords	
States General	Corn. Musch
	1648.

Endorsed as follows: The States General of the United Netherlands, To all who shall see or hear read this present,

greeting Make Known, that having paid attention to the later petition made to us on this day in the name and on behalf of Jochim Pietersz Cuyter and Cornelis Melyn our subjects, and residents of New Netherland, have amplified, as we are amplifying by the present, the mandamus inscribed on the other side of this present, in such a manner that the said mandamus may be served not only by a messenger, marshall or Notary but by such other person, whether official or private, as the said petitioners, either together or separately, shall be able to acquire and agree upon. Ordering and commanding each and every one whom it may in any way concern, exactly to regulate themselves in conformity herewith, in every appearance as if the aforesaid amplification had been verbally inserted in the aforesaid mandamus. Given in the Hague on the Sixth of May, sixteen hundred forty eight.

J. Van Gent^{vt}

By order of the above named Lords States General

Corn. Musch

[Translated from the Dutch]

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[Melyen vs. Van der Capellen]

The Hon. Lord Debit

1. By appraisal of arbitrators is to pay for the barn, rick, well, palisades, etc. and guardhouse etc, the amount of guilders 1500

2. For 6½ Morgen (13 Acres) of clear land	guilders 650
3. For postrails, according to the decision of arbitrators	“ 171:8
4. For the Cattle, as per the Contract	“ 800
5. Also according to account as sent to His Honor on Sep. 18, 1651 for what I have advanced for His Honor's Farmers	“ 1395:3:8
Bill delivered this 15 December 1652, to Mr. Lubbartes Van Dincklagen and Jabock Van Couwenhoven for advances made to this date to the said farmers	“ 430:9
	<hr/> 4948:0:8

[Melyen vs. Van der Capellen]

Credit

1. For as much as he has paid to me in Fatherland in 1650, as appears in the Contract.	guilders 1200
2. For two pairs of plough oxen, ordered in my account, sent on September 18, 1651.	“ 400
	<hr/> guilders 1600
3. December 13, 1652, for an assignment drawn on the said date to the charge of the said Lord	“ 600
	<hr/> guilders 2200

4. Balance of the present account	guilders 2748-8
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	guilders 4948-8

5. Note that the 280 wagon loads of manure have not been considered in the account of the arbitrators but have been left to the discretion of the Hon. Lord. by me Cornelis Melyn.

This account is endorsed in English: L. Capelle acct wch he owes to Cornelius Melyen.

[Though the account mentions neither the name of the debtor nor the locality on account whereof the debts were contracted, it is evident that this is Melyen's account with Baron Van der Capellen concerning the latter's colony on Staten Island.]

[Power of Attorney to J. Schellinger]

[One line entirely destroyed]

. . . Melyn on her departure . . . declared to constitute and [half a line out] her son in law Jacob Schellinger . . . to, in her prospective absence, the cattle [out] her . . . are on the Staten Island, to have them as early as possible ferried across, and to sell the same to her largest profit, to pay the debts resting on the same, as well to Andries Pos, as those incurred in conveying the same and other expenses, and as quickly as possible to send over the balance as per verbal orders given concerning the same; and further generally in the above case, to act and do in everything as she, the principal or her husband himself, if present should and might do, even if further or more specific power might be required than is here expressed. Promising to consider and to have consid-

ered valid, binding and well done what her aforesaid attorney shall have done and executed in the aforesaid matter. Binding her person and goods, provided that the attorney, under equal bond, be held upon request to render account, proof and reliqua of his receipts and disbursements. Thus granted and passed in the presence of Caspar Steymets and Isaack Kip, as witnesses invited this April 6th 1656, at Amsterdam in New Netherland.

Janneken Melyen
witnesses } Casper Steinmets
 } Isack Kip

Known to me

Jacob Kip, Secretary.

To the Hon. Lords Managers of the privileged West India
Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam.

Makes Known with due reverence Cornelis Melyn Patroon of Staten Island; that he petitioner in the year 1640, on July 2, obtained from your Honors liberty to found in New Netherland, wherever he might think proper a colony and that for this purpose he selected the said Staten Island, which selection was approved by your Honors and entered in your Honors' Colonial registers, as can be further seen by Act and Conditions of the same.

The petitioner, in extending and erecting his colony has sustained several unexpected obstacles damages and great disasters: First, on August 13, 1640, when he was going thither with people, cattle, goods and all implements necessary for agriculture, he was taken by a Dunkirk frigate, on account whereof he was prevented said year till Anno 1641, when through your help and assistance he arrived with the ship "Den Eyckenboom" (The Oaktree) in New Netherland

on the said Statten Island with 41 persons. He immediately began to build houses, to plough land, and to do everything conducive to establishing a good colony, begrudging neither money nor labor. But thereupon a second unexpected disaster took place owing to a war with the savages or aborigines, commenced in New Netherland. My houses and farms and everything were burnt my cattle besides some people were shot dead, so that I was obliged to flee for the sake of saving my life, and to sojourn with wife and children at the Menatans till the year 1647, when the new Director Petres Stuyvesant proceeded very severely against the (8) Eight Men, one of whom was myself; elected by the community, on account of two letters so written to your Honors in the name of the poor ruined community treating of the cause of the war, disasters and the consequences of the same, which letters had been read by your Honors and returned to him Stuyvesant. As a consequence hereof I, besides one Jochem Pietersen Cuyter were by said Stuyvesant banished from New Netherland for a number of years, according to the sentence pronounced regarding the same, and departed for Fatherland from New Netherland with the ship *The Princess Amelia* in company with Director Willem Kieft. However owing to mistakes and wrong calculations we entered the "Verkeerde Canaal" (Bristol Channel) where during the night, the ship went to pieces, many people were drowned, and after having floated hither and thither at sea for about eighteen hours, the Lord be praised, I at last reached land, where I found Jochem Pietersen Cuyter and some other people and subsequently, after much trouble, arrived in the fatherland, where I advised with Jochem Pietersen Cuyter about complaining to their High Mightinesses of the unjust sentence pronounced, the violence and trouble caused us by the Director in New Netherland, with request of Mandamus on account of appeal, which was granted us, Herewith, in the year 1648, we returned to New Netherland, in the hope, in the future to be permitted with wife and children, peacefully to live on our

lands. But whereas said Director used every means to sustain his unjust sentence, and the Secretary Cornelis Van Thienhoven (who most believe to be the cause of all disasters and calamities fallen during his time upon New Netherland) was by him sent to Fatherland to appear in his stead before their High Mightinesses, I resolved also to go thither, besides some delegates of the Community, in order to be present in cases which might concern me, but mostly to look for means to restock my ruined Colony and again, if possible, to retore the same, as my power and capital, owing to the said causes, had been very much diminished. Consequently I received some money from good friends, some of whom I have yet to pay, and futher, for the said purpose I agreed on certain conditions with the Hon. Lord Hendrick Van der Capellen to resell etc., about one-third share of my Colony on the Staten Island, which upon contract he agrees at his expense to people with settlers, and to bring his share up to condition, which he has demonstrated. Consequently about 70 strong and with fresh necessaries for agriculture I again set sail for New Netherland, with the ship named the New Netherland Fortune. But whereas we encountered very bad weather and unfavorable conditions, after much trouble, many dangers and out of provisions and water, we at last arrived at the Red Island, where we were obliged to provide ourselves with some victuals and water, and therefore to exchange some merchandise. We therewith arrived in New Netherland in front of the Staten Island where owing to contrary wind and tides we cast anchor. The people belonging there, joyfully went on land, thanking God for Having been freed from the water and the ship. Meanwhile about sunset, Fiscal Van Dyck arrives on board with the Sergeant and a few soldiers to guard the ship, so that no merchandise should be discharged from the same. Thereafter we arrived at the Menatans, expecting to be welcomed by the Director, as well as by the community and all lovers of New Netherland and of the Company, owing to the arrival of the ship and

such a splendid multitude of country people consisting of farmers and farm laborers, the like of whom, it was averred, had never yet been seen (to arrive) in New Netherland. But on the contrary the Director began by manifesting his old hatred and partisanship asserting first that at the Staten Island something should have been discharged which looked like contraband; second that I should have sold goods at the Red Island; third that one Casper Verlet, who said to be part owner of the ship should have been deprived of his claimed share in the ship and the merchandise; fourth, that I had too much encouraged the skipper in his evil intent and further several allegations not worth while enumerating here but which can be seen from the documents regarding the same. Owing to these before enumerated causes he begins, through the fiscal, to proceed very rigorously against ship and goods, attaches everything, arrests my person guarding me well with soldiers; as a consequence my newly arrived country people began to grumble, the desire for work, because I could not be present there, they began to loose to my great damage and expense; the crew were arrested, and thus were forced to make such declarations as pleased the authorities; (which arrest) caused me great expense to the crew, and for the ships repairs, up to the time when it pleased him to confiscate ship and goods and to appropriate the same to his own use. Not stopping at this, but for the purpose of absolutely ruining me, also my real estate being at the Menatans, consisting of some houses and lots, was attached and sold to my great damage under appearance of "rugrant" of the shipper and owners; so that owing to these before related acts I have clearly perceived that for me there was no security at the Menatans owing to these many arrests, citations, summonses and molestations and I have resolved to quit the Menatans and, thus Wronged and plundered, to join with wife and children my people in my colony on Staten Island. And I left the Director at the Menatans with all his proceedings to continue as he pleased without defending my just cause, as it

would not have done me any good anyway, and further intending to repair my above mentioned losses, and attend to the support of my wife and children, which has again been assiduously undertaken by myself and my people, and commenced to cultivate the land which had been laying so long fallow to clear, plow, sow, mow, thresh, make a harbor to build houses, racks, barns for the purpose of lodging the people, and the cattle we were using, as an ornament of New Netherland and an honor and credit to the Hon. Company and further as an incentive and spur to all other country people as well villagers as detached farmers, and even to those arriving from the Menatans itself, who were surprised at the large crop of grain which had this year been produced through our diligence; and there had been commenced sixteen handsome farms as well by myself as by my children as also by the people taken along by me for the Lord Van der Capelle and sent over by His Honor; which farms were covered with twenty seven buildings; houses, racks and barns, each well provided with cattle as well beautiful plow oxen, milch cows, as calves for increase, so that every thing began to be abundant on Staten Island, and through God's blessing I again began to recover my losses. But Director Stuyvesant again became active, as if it appeared that my prosperity began to trouble him. For when, in the year 1655, in August, he had received some soldiers from Fatherland by the ship the Waech (Balance) Captain Frederick De Cooninck, to sail with them on an expedition to the South River, he dispatched said Cooninck with the Fiscal Cornelis Van Tienhoven and some soldiers to the Staten Island for the purpose of fetching me; but being ignorant of the same, about two or three hours before, I had gone in my boat to the Menatans in order to attend to some business concerning my colony. The Director Stuyvesant met me with some soldiers, and he immediately exclaimed Take hold of Melyn, conduct him to the guard house and secure him well. There I was incarcerated till the return from Staten Island of the

boat with the said Capt. Coninck and Fiscal Tienhoven. He thereupon convened his council and the said Captain, has me brought before him, asks me "where are the letters you have received from the Swedes?" which sounded to me as strange as if I had been asked for letters from the great Turck, and gave for answer not to know of any letters from the Swedes, nor that I was expecting any. To this said Stuyvesant replied "you will soon be taught to speak differently," and ordered the fiscal to have me conducted to prison and to secure me well. I was there conducted and thrown in a dark hole, and I was not to see nor to converse with any one. This lasted twenty five days without a further hearing until the 16th of September when the Savages set fire to all buildings around the Menatans, and killed and murdered a large number of our people which at the Menatans and the whole country [here three quarters of a line obliterated] interceding and running to and fro of my wife and children as well as others, permitted me under certain conditions to leave the hole. I then immediately departed for the Staten Island to see whether I could save my people, houses and goods from the savages; but in vain; for a few days later the savages arrived there in great numbers and commenced to attack our people, to set fire to the houses, stacks, barns mostly full of grain, so that the people were obliged to seek safety in my house which they (the savages) also succeeded in setting afire. And when the cinders began to fall down on us we were forced to leave it and obliged to break through the savages to enable us to retire to another small house standing close to the shore. Here we held out for some time longer, hoping meanwhile to receive some assistance from the Menatans. But all in vain. At last the savages called out to us that if we desired quarter they would grant the same to us, whereupon we resolved as we saw no other refuge [here nearly an entire line obliterated] because from among our number already 15 or 16 persons, among whom my son 22 years old, my son in law and two nephews had been shot

dead, besides some wounded; and thus fifty one in number went into captivity among the savages, where we remained during thirty one days until I had raised a ransom of about 1,400 guilders for myself, wife, son and son in law, which was to be paid if we did not want to be burnt alive in a fire which for this purpose had been already prepared and was burning. Subsequently arriving at the Menatans, as miserable as we well could be, we hoped to enjoy some quiet after our sad imprisonment. But the day following there arrived at my lodgings Secretary Van Reuven with a sergeant in command of soldiers armed with firearms and sword, saying "Melyn the Director sends us hither and lets you know that you must try to find more ransom, for the savages are not yet satisfied," and forced me immediately to go in search of 60 or 70 guilders additional payment, if I did not want to be put in the former prison. It appeared to me somewhat suspicious that the savages were so bold, and at the Menatans, through the servants of the Company, dared to vex me yet further; (it occurred to me) that the same might have been trumped up in order to at once ruin me. I submit to your Honour's judgment after all that had befallen me and I being in such a sorrowful and miserable condition, my children and people murdered by the savages, the houses, racks, barns to the number of 25, burnt, the people, cattle and farms destroyed, my goods stolen, and in place thereof debts incurred for my ransom, and retaining the bitter hatred of the Director, I have resolved to quit the Menatans, in order not to perish absolutely with wife and children and for the time being to put myself under the protection of the English; and consequently departed with my family for New Haven, until I shall have found opportunity and means to pay for the trip hither, Meanwhile making your Honors acquainted with my distress as related heretofore, with humble request to sustain me in my just cause against the aforesaid Petrus Stuyvesant regarding the evil acts and great damage unjustly inflicted on me, and to assist me in regaining my own, in order with the

same means and your Honors' assistance to refound my ruined colony for the third time, and to restore the same to its former condition.

Which doing etc.

Endorsed in English

The Remonstrance & Petition of Cornelius Melyen to ye West India Company in Amsterdam Ano 1659.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Upon this thirteenth Day of June 1659 —— Mr Cornelius Melyen (who untill this time hath been Patron, & hath had Jus Patronatus of ye Colony of Staten Island scituated in ye mouth of ye North River in New Netherland) for himself, his heirs & Successors acknowledgeth to have bargained & agreed wth the Lords ye Directors of ye privileged West India Company at their chamber here in Amsterdam freely & most amicably by these presents (Vizt) That he consenteth to desist deliver over, transfer & Transport all ye Pow'r, Authority, Highness, Jurisdiction, preheminencies, prerogatives, Profitts, Emoluments, Liberties, & exemptions belonging to him in quality of Patroon & belonged to him until now in upon ye lands & Colony of ye sd. Staten Island with ye following dependencies & appendencies thereof none excepted by him procured, according to ye Resolutions, Acts, articles, freedoms & exemptions & other instruments as likewise by ye letters of conveyance made over especially unto him by Willm. Kieft Governor of New Netherland, & other letters of concessions, which may have been granted concerning ye same, none excepted, which he also agreeth to deliver up unto ye abovementioned Chamber, as well here as in New Netherland as many as are yet in his custody & possession

are made to cease Expressly upon ye following conditions. Vizt. That ye abovementioned company & chamber shall in New Netherland make restitution of all such Sum or Sums of money, which were produced from certain his houseings & Lotts scituated & being upon ye Manhatans in New Amsterdam neer ye ffort (which were sold by Governor Stuyvesandt by Execution in behalf of Daniel Michiels master of ye Ship ye New Netherland's Fortune) shall be restored to him again in New Netherland by sd. Company & chamber for ye sd. Moneys or so much thereof as yet may be found to remain wth ye sd. company.

And moreover that ye Just Sume of fifteen hundred gilders shall be forthwith paid him, & likewise that he shall enjoy ye Freedome & exemption of ye Custome both here & in New Netherland of ye value of about one thousand gilders Stock of Merchandise, being necessary utensels for cultivating land & permitted, wch he should think fitt to carry wth him into New Netherland.

As likewise that himself, his family & his people wth him shall be transported over thither with their own ships or ships hired at ye charge of the company according to ye Prsent use. Also that he for ye future as a free Coloneer & inhabitant for himself & his Successors shall hold & possess as free & legal estate, ye lands houses & lotts, which he hath there in ye sd. Colony, & hath hitherto made use of & which he yet shall be able to improve (& by others not possessed) they shall enjoy ye Succession thereof or by will, writings, donation or gift, agreemt. or otherwise may dispose thereof, as according to ye Articles of Privilege & Exemptions granted to Patroons & Coloneers. That likewise his eldest son being capable (& ye sd. Colony having need of a Schout, & one to be appointed thereupon) shall be preferred before any other by ye aforesd. Company & Chamber. And Finally that by ye present Governor Steuyvesandt shall be shewed & maintained a perfect Amnestia of all Strifes, hatred & differences, which formerly may

have risen between them; as well in respect of ye Company as their own private concerns; ye same hereby to remain forgiven & forgotten & for ye future they to be good friends & to respect & acknowledge each other in his quality & to demonstrate all reasonable Assistance. To ye performance of all ye premises He Cornelius Melyen bindeth himself & his estate movable and unmovable, present & future none excepted to ye Submission of ye Court of Holland & all laws & Judges as well in New Netherland as herein this Countrey —In Witness whereof this is underwritten by ye under-named Lords & Committe of ye West India Company thereunto authoriz'd by ye Lords their fellow brethren on ye behalf of ye aforementiond company & chamber by special Comission dated ye tenth of April last past, & by ye aforesd. Cornelius Melyen at Amsterdam ye day & year aforesd. was underwritten & signed. Edward Man as Direct. Abraham Wilmerdonck as Directr H: Bontemantel as Directr Cornelius Melyen late Patroon of Staten Island in ye presence of me as Notary, H: Schaef No. P.

It agreeth with ye original signed agreement being in my Custody

In Witness

H: Shaef Noy Public

Examined this with ye Dutch agreemt. & find it to be a true translate to ye best of my understanding as Witness my hand
Jacob Leisler

Also by me

vera copia

George Turfry

Endorsed: A Copy of ye Translate of ye Agreement of Melyen wth ye West India Company Examd Pr

Mr. Leisler

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To the Hon. Heeren Managers of the Privileged West India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam, and to the Hon. Commissioners appointed to negotiate with Cornelis Melyen regarding his colony on the Staten Island, viz. Mr. Edwaerd Man, Mr. Abram Wilmerdonck, Mr. Hans Bontemantel, as Managers.

Hon. Gentlemen I trust that it is still fresh in your Honors' memory that, on June 13, 1659, at Amsterdam, I most amicably agreed, covenanted and contracted with your Honors, viz, in such a manner as can be seen from the contract entered into on the said date; whereafter, with the ship *The Love* by way of Curacoa, On March 5, 1660, I safely arrived with God's help in New Netherland. I showed the said agreement and contract, besides your Honors' good intentions to the Hon. Heer Stuyvesant, and verbally proposed to him that I hoped and trusted that the same would be followed up and carried out by his Honor. He answered in substance according to my best recollection, that he would regulate himself according to the orders of the Hon. Heeren Managers, his masters and principals. And a little time afterward I went to His Honor, and informed him that for account of the said Company and Chamber in New Netherland there shall be returned to me all such monies as have proceeded of certain my house and lots, standing and situate on the Menatans in New Amsterdam near the Fort, which, by Director Stuyvesant, by execution levied in behalf of Daniel Migielse, skipper of the ship the New Netherland Fortune have been sold, or as much of the monies as should yet be in the hands of the Company; answers that the Hon. Company never has had

any monies produced by the sale. Here upon I requested His Honor to afford me some information about where they were or who had received them, or how to get at them. He refers me to Commissary Caerel Verbrugge in order to obtain from him information and light regarding the same, who, after I had several times petitioned, requested and accosted him, at last said and gave me for answer that he had much sought after the same and had not succeeded in finding it. With this I had to be satisfied until May 23, 1661, when the Director General had bidden me to attend his meeting, as can be seen from the attached copy of his resolution. Among other things we had several debates concerning this matter also some debates and talks concerning the sale of house and lots though it had not been expressed or mentioned in the Resolution, as it appears that their Honors don't bother as much about this matter as about other questions, contrary to their Honors favor and good opinion. Arriving now to the second dispute in the contract, broached by Director and Council: their Honors also grant me exemption from tolls, as well here as in New Netherland on the amount of about one thousand guilders capital, in merchandise, which I should import. Now the Hon. Lords in addition to their aforesaid exemption have permitted about fifteen hundred guilders' worth to follow me, in conformity with their verbal promise that a couple hundred guilders difference would not matter, which has been actually substantiated by your Honors. Will also show gratitude at occurring occasions. Now upon arriving here I request to enjoy the same favor as at Amsterdam, according to the tenor of the agreement. In opposition to this it is argued that it is their Honors' opinion "exemption at Amsterdam but not in New Netherland, Upon sending the goods again tolls must be paid." I answer if it had not been the opinion of the Hon. Heeren Managers they would simply have said "Here at Amsterdam," not "As well here as in New Netherland," from which it is plain-

ly to be understood: "In New Netherland as well exempt as at Amsterdam," where the Hon. Heeren have granted the freedom, and still so much more as has been stated before. Thirdly His Honor and his Council dispute about freight and passenger charges for myself and accompanying people, in this manner in regard to this article: "And further that he and his family and accompanying people with hired or owned vessels, shall be conveyed thither by said Company, at the expense of the Hon. Company, in accordance with the present custom." This "present custom" is here by the Director and Council understood: that the expense and passage charges are to be paid upon arriving here. Answer, if this was the case it would have been unnecessary to have made any condition regarding it, or to enter the same in a contract, and would [my]self have sought means of conveyance or have agreed with the skipper. Fourth, it is disputed and illy explained that which the Hon. Heeren opine justly and in good faith, viz: that from now on as a free colonist and inhabitant for himself and his descendants he shall have and hold as a free allodial property the lands, houses and lots which in the said colony there he possesses, and has hitherto occupied, and which he shall yet there take up and, are not possessed by others, and shall enjoy the succession of the same or may dispose of the same by will codicil, donation or gift, contract or otherwise, as per the articles of Freedoms and Exemptions, was granted to the patroons and colonists. Surely it is plain and visible, from the abovesaid that it is not the Hon. Lords opinion and desire to take away from me the liberal grant, made and conveyed to me in their Assembly of July 3, 1640, and further on February 18 & 25, 1641, by which the before mentioned grant is renewed. And further the groundbrief—being the conveyance—also expresses the granting of the entire Staten Island as a consequence of the consent mentioned above, signed by the Heer General Wilm Kieft, dated June 19, 1642. And whereas the contract states that I shall

surrender all letters and documents concerning the jurisdiction and what appertains thereto, which I have also immediately done, requesting again a new groundbrief of the lands of the Staten Island, in the manner as I possessed and occupied the same heretofore, as can be seen by said Act and Letters; this opinion of the Hon. Lords is thus explained by Director and Council, if he was to remain in possession of the said entire Island, why then had it been necessary to stipulate that he and his descendants should possess and retain as free allodial good the lands, houses and lots he possesses on the said Island and which up to the present he has occupied, and still shall be able to occupy. This forsooth is to be surely and clearly understood that the Hon. Lords let me keep that which they have granted and given me, as was said before. For it has been occupied nor expenses incurred for, by anybody else but myself and those who received my permission. On the other hand if the Hon. Lords were of opinion that I should not remain proprietor of the Island, and their Honors had retained it to themselves to grant away, why then did the Hon. Heeren have need to agree with heirs of the Hon. deceased Lord Vander Capelle, whom, by contract, I ceded one third portion of the entire Island, which still remains hypothecated (mortgaged) for my advanced moneys. As also in what manner I have yet pointed out and promised and agreed with many others about my lands, besides with the Hon. Heer Van der Cappellen. But neither this nor several other clear proofs and arguments I desire to produce for the Hon. Heeren but refer the Hon. Heeren to my petition delivered in to the meeting—where on April 10, by resolution, the above named gentlemen were appointed—from which can be seen the great expenses, exceedingly hard work, great damage and difficulties, come to me on account of the said entire Island. These gentlemen after having maturely considered and discussed this entire matter, in accordance with your Honors' wise and intelligent understanding shall conclude,

in every respect, that I deserve to be maintained in my just causes, which I also hope and firmly trust shall thus be done by your Honors, and that Director General Stuyvesant shall then be ordered by the high authority of the Hon. Heeren Managers of the Chamber of Amsterdam, to let me peaceably enjoy the perfect effect of the favor of the Hon. Lords' good intentions, so that I, besides those who have yet remained and besides myself have saved their lives from the savages, resolve again to take up our former lands and renew our dwellings; and orders might be issued by your Honors that the means towards this end should not be prevented and that I might be shown where I can find the moneys of my sold houses and lots, which means would now also be serviceable to me on the Staten Island, and give courage to my dispersed people, who would gladly return to their lands, in order to put them in the same good condition as before.

Endorsed in Dutch:

Copy of a letter of Cornelis Melyn to the Managers at Amsterdam, concerning his opinion about the Contract entered into with the Gentlemen.

Endorsed in English:

A copy of a Letter of Cornelius Melyen to ye Committe & Lords of ye West India Company at Amsterdam complaining of ye evil usage & bad exposition of Governr Steuyvesant relating to ye Agreeemt made about ye Title of Govern. upon ye Colony of Stat Isld.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Cornelius Melyen at ye desire of the Lords of the West India company at their chamber in Amsterdam, declares what he knows concerning ye purchase of Staten Island from

the Indians in New-Netherland, & what they receiv'd for ye payment of it, Sayith that Anno 1640. (at which time ye aforesd. Lords had granted him License to plant & manure his sd. Colony of Staten Island) he went to ye late Governr Walter Vantwilder (then being at Amsterdam) of whom he amongst other things Enquired into ye circumstances of ye purchace of Staten Island of ye Indians, who answered him, that ye Island was bought & paid for by ye Governr Minnewit, who immediately preceded him; He desired him (if he could) to do him ye kindness of furnishing him with ye relation thereof in writing, wch (at his request) he did, & gave him some days after a written Copy taken out of ye purchae'd deed (or bill of Sale) which shew'd what pay ye Indians receiv'd for sd, Island, vizt. Some Duffies Kittles, Axes, Hoes, Wampum, Drilling Awls, Jews Harps, and diverse other small wares, which were all particularizd, wch Bill of Sale was signed by diverse Indians & remaind in his custody intill ye Dunkirkers took him, his Ship, people, Cattle & all his writings— The Year following arriving in New Netherland & being come on Staten Island I (ye sd. Cornelius Melyen) caused ye Indians to be askt whether they were not well recompenced by Minnewit for sd. Island, They gave me for Answer, yt they had sold it to sd. Minnewit & were paid for it, but that it was their custome, when a New Governr came to such a place, that there should be a Gratuity given them; thereby to continue the friendship between ye Indians & o^r nation, which I did to ye great content & Satisfaction of them all—After this when I took out my Patent from Gover^r Willm Kieft pursuant to ye grant of ye aforesd. Lords, I desired that ye Indians might once again be ask'd if they had yet any pretence to any Right upon Staten Island, or could pretend to make any, which was done by ye Secretary Cornelius Van Tienhooven, who could speak in ye Indian Dialect very well, whereupon they answered that they were well satisfied & well agreed with me, & they (ye sd. Indians), after that made no pretence till ye year 1649—at

which time I was in ye mind to go with my wife, children & people to live upon sd. Island again. The Indians began then of to speak of buying ye Island again; I then demonstrated to them ye aforesd. Sale & agreement, which they acknowledged they knew very well, & that they did not speak of that, but they supposed that ye Island by reason of ye war, by killing, burning & driving us off, was become theirs again, and therefore thought that there must be a newbargain made, which I wholly refused them & would neither give, nor promise them any thing saying unto them, that which is sold, must remain sold & that ye Dutch will not pay twice for any thing, which they have oncebought, but if they will once more have a small gift gratis to maintain good friendship as had been done before I would give it them, whereunto (after mature deliberation among themselves) they resolved; whereupon I gave them amongst them all two Coats of Duffles containing Six Ells four fathom of wampum, 5, or 6, little kittles, some awls & needles wherewith they were all well satisfied & cryed unanimously (Keene, Keene, Keene orit nietap) i.e. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you Good friend, and they were very well satisfied until Lubbert Vant Dincklagen began to speak with ye Indians of buying Staten Island again of them, who did it on purpose to find occasion to write to ye Lord Capell to try whether under that Covert he might bring about ye getting of some goods of ye sd. Lord into his hands to dispose thereof for himself & to give little thereof to ye Indians for there is indeed nothing at all due to them for by such means ye Indians would be induced often to make outrages, that they might ev'ry now & then be paid again & not only to play such Prancks upon Staten Island, but throout all New Netherland, where the Lords of ye West India Company's Governmt. extendeth. I trust therefore that ye honour'd Lords will not approve (or allow) of such bargains, in order to ye preventing more mischiefs.

This is as much as I can write of Testifie of this matter
This done at Amsterdam ye 30th of Janry 1659—by me—

Staten Island is bought for ye use & acct of ye Honble Lords of ye West India Company Augst ye 10. Anno 1630 by their Ministers.

Peter Minnewit	John Lampo
Peter Byleveldt	Reynier Harmenss:
Jacob Elberts Wissingh	Symon Derksen Pos.

of ye following Indians

Krahorat	Piearewach
Tamekap	Sackwewah
Tetemackwemama	Wissipoack
Wieromies	

As appeares by ye Records of ye date abovesd.

Appeared before me William Bogardus Notary Publick in New-York, admitted by ye Honble Francis Lovelace by his Royal highness James Duke of York & Albany etc. Governr General of all his Territories in America & before ye after-named Witnesses; Yochem Beekman, aged about 49 years, & Thomas Koninck aged about 55 years both inhabitants of this City at ye request of Mr. Jacob Melyen, who verbally inste'd of a Solemn Oath attest & declare, that now about 30 years since according to their best remembrance being in service of ye West India Company as Souldiers, were present upon Staten Island when ye former Sachems & owners of Staten Island aforesd. had some difference wth sd. Melyens Father Cornelius Melyen about ye free hunting upon ye aforesd. Island, which ye sd. Cornelius Melyen, conceives that they parted with their right of at their Sale, & after some debates more ye sd Jacob Melyen's Father referred it to Nicho^s Kartenz Noorman, who was interpreter, when ye Sale of ye aforemention'd Isld. was made, & would make it appear by him, wherewith ye Indians were satisfied, whereupon ye aforesd. Nicho: Kartenz by sd. Jacob Melyen's Father was sent for to come to sd. Staten Island, & ye aforesd. Sachems & owners were thereupon assembled together, again, where-

upon ye aforesd. Nicho:s Kartenz (by sd. Jacob Melyen's Father's desire) related unto them what pay they had received for that & for ye aforesd. Island, Vizt. Some Duffles, Blanckets, Axes, Kittles, Wampum—Wherewith ye Indians were convinced, who then declared that they could not well be without the Liberty of Hunting & desired Earnestly to agree with ye sd. Melyens Father, what they shall yearly contribute to him for it; whereupon then was agreed that they should yearly contribute to him for it; whereupon then was agreed that they should yearly contribute & deliver Tenn or Twelve Deer & some Turkeys not remembring the Just Quantity, & ye Depon^{ts} further declare that they were present & did so that some Deer for ye fulfilling ye promised contribution were deliver'd to ye aforesd. Melyen's Father; concluding herewith their Deposition & are ready in case of need & desired to confirm it by Oath. This done at NewYork upon Manhatans Island in prsence of Henry Williams, Baker, & Adolph Pieters, Carpenter as witnesses hereunto desired who have signed unto these presents wth me Notary Pubek underwritten June 27. Anno 1672 —

Agreeth wth ye Original, wch

Testifieth

W Bogardus Notay Pubek

Endorsed: Several Testimonies & writings relating to ye Purchase of Staten Island

Extract from the Register of the Resolutions of the Hon. Heer Director General and Councillors of New Netherland, adopted in their Assembly on Monday May 23, 1661.

Invited to be present at the meeting, and standing inside, Cornelis Melyn; after taking up the Contract entered into

by the Hon. Heeren Managers and the said Melyn in date of June 13, 1659, in regard to Staten Island, said Melyn was asked whether he had in his possession any papers and documents regarding said Island, and whether he was prepared in conformity with said contract, to deliver the same to the Director General and Councillors, and further to convey said Island in behalf of the privileged West India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam, excepting the lands, houses and lots he is occupying or may be able to occupy as per the said contract.

Whereto it was answered in substance by the said Cornelis Melyn that he was ready to hand to the Director General & Council the papers and documents concerning the same, in his possession, which he has also immediately done, delivering the papers specified below, declaring to have no others concerning the said island; in regard to the transfer and conveyance of the said island in behalf of the Hon. Priv. West India Company (excepting the lands, houses and lots he is occupying there etc.) said this had never been his opinion, but only that he should grant, convey, cede and transfer all the power, authority, rights, jurisdiction, preeminence, prerogatives, etc. belonging to him in his quality as patroon of the said island; requested on the contrary since he had now surrendered the deed granted to him for said island by the deceased Heer Kieft, that he should again be granted a new deed for the ownership of the said island.

It was answered if it had been the intention that he should remain possessed of the said entire island why it should have been necessary to stipulate that for himself and his heirs he shall hold and retain as a free allodial possession the lands, houses and lots owned and up to now occupied by him, and which he may yet be able to acquire etc.; and further if the entire island belongs to him, what, then, the Heeren Managers have bought of the heirs of the Lord Van Capelle, who have now also conveyed their right to the Hon. Company?

In regard to which said Cornelius Melyn acknowledged

having ceded and vacated one third of the said island to the Lord Capelle, but that he even yet had large claims against the same; in regard to the two remaining thirds, it had not been his opinion—as expressed before—to renounce his ownership; but that it would be well to enquire how the Hon. Heeren Managers understand the same.

Said Melyn was also informed that he had been charged for his own passage and for that of the servants taken with him, just like others, carried over at the expense of the Company, because it is stipulated in the said Contract that he shall be conveyed with his family at the expense of the Company, as is at present customary: which means that the advanced passage money be here refunded. Said Melyn maintains, that it is his opinion and was also the opinion of the Hon. Heeren Managers that he and his people were to be carried over absolutely free of charge, without repaying the advanced moneys; also because he was granted freedom of tolls on a thousand guilders principal, and not having taken with him so large a principal (capital) from Holland he would be permitted to deduct the balance here in paying duties or tolls.

After divers debates for and against it was resolved to send a copy of the present to the Hon. Heeren Managers and not to proceed with this business, until we shall have received further explanation regarding said contract of said Heeren Managers.

Acted on the date written above.

The papers surrendered by Mr. Cornelis Melyn concerning Staten Island are as follows:

A petition of Cornelis Melyn to the Hon. Heeren Managers, and disposition on the same, by which he is permitted to found a colony on Staten Island and he is acknowledged as Patroon, dated July 3, 1640.

A further petition of said Melyn to the Heeren Managers dated Feb. 18, 1641, presented after he had been taken by the

Duykerckers, requesting leave to depart with wife, children, servants and some cattle in Company's ships for New Netherland.

Two extracts of the resolution of the Hon. Heeren Managers dated 18th and 25th February, 1641, by which the aforesaid consent is renewed.

A groundbrief being the conveyance of Staten Island to Cornelis Melyn granted in consequence of the consent mentioned above, signed by the Heer General Willem Keift, dated June 19, 1642.

Agrees with the aforesaid Register,
C. V. Ruyven, Secretary.

Endorsed In the margin in English:

Govr Steuyvesant in Council, his Evil construction of ye agreemt of ye West India Company & Melyen.

[Translated from the Dutch]

Extract from a Letter of the Hon. Heeren, Managers to the Messrs. Director and Councillors of New Netherland, dated Jan. 27, 1662.

Concerning the contention of Cornelis Melyn, that he surely did sell and deliver to the Company the title and the right of patroonship of the Staten Island, but not the lands themselves, we can not observe that the same can be deduced from the contract entered into with him concerning the same, but assured by the opposite, as there is entered, as your Honors have justly remarked and argued against him, that from now on, as free colonist and inhabitant, he shall have and hold for himself and his descendants as a free, allodial possession the lands, houses and lots he has in said colony

and has occupied hitherto and which he shall yet be able to occupy. Ergo not the remaining lands which are laying fallow and uncultivated, so that the same neither can or must be permitted to be questioned.

Agrees with the Letter mentioned above,

C. V. Ruyven.

Endorsed in Dutch:

Copy of a letter of the West India Company concerning the Staten Island.

Endorsed in English:

A Copy of a Letter of ye West India Company, wherein they Justifie Steuyvesant's evil Construction.

[Translated from the Dutch]

June ye 4th 1668

Upon the Petition & Request of Mr Jacob Melyen That his Fathers interest may be taken into consideration, upon ye settlement of Staten Island, The Governor ordered it to be Entered upon Record that Care should then be had of him, so farr, as that he shall be allotted a Convenient proportion of Land upon ye said Island, In lieu of what was reserved by his Father, & promised him by ye West India Company.

Extracted out of ye Records in ye
Office at Fort James in New
Yorke.

Matthias Nicolls, Secry

Endorsed: A Copy of a Record of o^r Interest upon Staten Island ordered by Govr Richard Nickolls, being ye first English Gover^r

To the Hon. Very Respectable Lord Anthony Colve,
Governor General and the Lords High Councillors of
New Netherland.

Makes known with respectful humility Jacob Melyen, that his deceased father has been proprietor of the Staten Island and has inhabited and possessed the same for many years, until he was surprised by a general war with the savages, many of his children and farmers murdered, their houses and goods burned and destroyed, on account of which great damage and ruin, and also owing to the temporary danger of the savages, he was forced to suffer the said island during some time to remain uninhabited. Some little time afterward he went to Amsterdam and there entered with the Hon. Heeren of the West India Company into a contract, concerning the Patroonship and jurisdiction of the said Island, provided he retained to himself, his heirs and successors all his lands, according to the letter of the said contract, of which right your Honors' petitioner's deceased father and his heirs have been deprived, partly owing to lack of means, sickness and death of your Honors' petitioner's deceased father, partly owing to the scattered residences, smallness of means and immaturity of years and understanding of his heirs, and also partly owing to various changes of government. However your Honors' petitioner having made known his right to the aforesaid, to the first English Governor Colonel Nicholls, the latter, before his departure, consented—and had registered by his secretary in the minute book—that a considerable tract of land should be surveyed for the heirs of said Melyen. The last acting governor, Loules (Lovelace) also several times promised Your Honors' petitioner to permit him to retain and enjoy the same. And about 8 or 10 days before his departure for Hartford he promised with many words that if God favored him he would have measured for and confirmed to Your Honors' petitioner and friends a parcel of land, situated between two branches of the Millriver, as also

the point to the West of the mill, stretching toward the Schoetters Island, which point of land he, Governor Lovles, said he had intended to grant to his brother Thomas Lovles, but desiring to make a reality our long deferred hope, he would accommodate him [his brother] elsewhere. And whereas I now understand of Thomas Lovles, that he petitions You, Hon. Very Respectable, to be granted land there, and thus absolutely to deprive my aged mother and her children of all hope ever to receive anything any more of our father's inheritance, the island having been almost entirely apportioned to various individuals.

In consideration of the great expenses and miseries suffered and experienced on the island, therefore I find it my duty, in behalf of myself, wife and children, as well as my brothers and sisters and their children. to pray You Hon. Very Resp., very seriously and humbly that you be pleased to deny him Thomas Lovles his desire to obtain any land there, but that you Hon. Very Resp. be pleased to confirm the petitioner and friends in their right, that being delivered through your Hon. Very Resp.'s authority from the English nation, they may again live together in our calling, under our natural Authorities. In expectation of Your Hon. Very Resp's favorable answer, remain Your Hon. Very Resp's subject and servant,

Jacob Melyen

New Orange 1674, April ¹²/₂

In the margin of the above petition was written in Dutch:

Fort Wm Hendr, Apr. 18, 1674.

The petitioners within fourteen days from date must produce whatever claim they have on any land on Staten Island, or at least on the land granted to Thomas Lovelace. Dated as above.

By order of the Hon. Heer Governor General and
Councillors of New Netherland. N. Bayard, Secretary.

Endorsed in English:

A petition to the Dutch gov^r Anthony Colve and his
Consill:

Nickols Bayard, Sekretary.

In New Orange 1674: Apr ¹²/₂

[Translated from the Dutch]

Extract from the Register of the Minutes of
the Hon. Ld Governor General and Councillors
of New Netherland, held in Fort Willem Hendrick,
on October 12, 1674.

Received and read the petition of the children and heirs
of the deceased Cornelis Melyn, assisted by the guardians
of the absent heirs of the said estate, and besides the same
delivering—in accordance with the order of 18 April last—
the documents in proof of their right to Staten Island; re-
questing that, in consideration of the same, they may be
shown and granted in ownership a parcel of woodland
situated on Staten Island between the two branches of the
mill creek, with the point to the West of the said Mill,
stretching beyond Schutter's Island to a certain fresh river,
running into the country, with the valleys bounding on the
same; calculating the same to be about a farm for each child;
offering at the same time to renounce any further claims
they may have had on the said land; which petition having

been taken into consideration the Lord Governor & Councillors (after having examined the produced documents) render the following decision:

The petitioners are granted for each child of the deceased Cornelis Melyn, on the said land, a farm of thirty morgen [about 60 acres] amounting for the five children together to one hundred and fifty morgens, provided none of said lands, prior to this date have been granted [to others] and that they shall be cultivated by the petitioners as per the orders of the government; In regard to the petitioners further request concerning said parcels of land, they are permitted to have the same measured by the sworn surveyor and further disposition shall be made after receipt of his report.

Agrees with the said Register,
N. Bayard, Secretary.

Endorsed in English: A Grant of ye Dutch Govor^r Anthy Culve. In answer to ye Petition of Jacob Melyen whereby he grants 5 Farms with Medows sutable & comonages for ye same.

[Translated from the Dutch]

At a Council held at Fortt James in New Yorke the 22d Day
of May 1684.

Present

The Governor. &c.

The Petition of Jacob Meleyne in behalfe of himselfe his Brother and three Sisters for a Confirmation of their Pretended Right to Land on Staten Island being Read was Rejected the land being allready Pattented & Possessed

however the Governor said if he could show them any other Kindness he would willingly do it.

By order In Council

J. Spragg Secry.

Endorsed: The governor's answer to the petition Relating Staten Island ye Gouv'r Thomas Dunghon Pr Secretary Sprage.

To his Excey Richard Earl of Bellomont,
Capt. General & Governor in Chief of his Majties
Provinces of the Massachusetts Bay, New York,
&c and of the Territories thereon depending and
Vice Admiral of the same.

The humble Petition of Jacob Melyen,
most humbly sheweth

That yor Petitioners Father Cornelius Melyen by vertue of a Grant from the West India Company of Holland bearing date the Third of July 1640; was Governr & Proprietr of Staten Island in the Province of New York & was confirmed in the Governmt and Propriety thereof by Governr Kieft by a Patent bearing date the 19th of June 1642 and was in the quiet Possession & Enjoyment of the Governmt and Soyle of the sd Island as his rightfull inheritance, until he with his people [were] driven from thence by the Indians in the year 1643; and he was after that resettled thereon with diverse families, his servants, until another quarril was made at New-Amsterdam (now New York) with the Indians, Anno 1655 & were then cutt off upon Staten Island, having about twenty psons slain, who were of sd Melyen's Children, Nephews, Servants & Tenants. The Town consisting of

about forty houses, which were burnt, & the Goods made plunder off, & yo^r petitioners sd father & mother & two sons with all those that survived were taken into a barbarous Captivity by the heathen; Yor Excelley's Pettir was one of the Sons who was much wounded, but recovered not without great difficulty. That his sd Father Cornelius Melyen upon some considerations did afterwards, vzt June 13, 1659, Resign his Right of Governmt back to the sd. West India Company of Holland upon sundry conditions, which were not all by then observed; But he never alienated or sold his Right to the Lands of the sd. Island or any part of his Estate there; but expressly reserved the same to himself And His heirs &c for ever as may appear by the sd agreement between the sd. West India Company & his sd Father, bearing date the 13th Day of June 1659, and that upon the Delivery of the Govern^t of New York to the English, One of the Articles of Agreement between the English & Dutch Commissioners expressly confirms unto all the Dutch Inhabitants, that continued there their freedom as Denizens and the Enjoyment of their Estates as before; Yet he the sd Jacob Melyen hath been ever since by fraud & Injustice denied and hindred from the Enjoyment of his sd. Father's Inheritance he being the Rightfull heir, & this notwithstanding he hath made applicaⁿ to ev'ry Governr that hath been sent thither by the Kings of England, by which means he hath suffered much Damage; All which will plainly appear to be true by the Records of New York, Copies of which have hitherto been denied the Suppliant.

Yor Petittor therefore being well assured of yo^r Excellcys great regard to Impartial Justice most humbly Prays that Yor Excelley will take his case into Yor serious Consideraⁿ and permit him to take out of the Records copies of such Instruments & Papers as are necessary to prove ye Truth of what he hath before sett forth in order to Yor Lordship's more full Satisfacⁿ That Yor Pettir hath a Right to the Soyle

of the sd Island & that he may be better enabled to possess himself of the same.

And Yor Pettir as in Duty bound will ever pray etc.

Endorsed: Jacob Melyen's Petition to his Excelley Richard Earl of Bellomont etc.

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