

hourly together in this Wilderness to the advancement of Gods Liber H. II.
Glory and Kingdome of Heaven amongst the Heathens, and P. 55
not to the Destruction of each others Christian blood, whereby
to strenigthen the Barbarous Indians nay rather ioyne in loue
and league together against them Which God our Saviour will
grant

Written and Signed by our owne hands in the Province of
Maryland in Chesepeake Bay at S^t Maryes County and
Delivered this 6th Day of October Anno Domini 1659 in
patuxent

Augustine Herman
Resolved Waldron.

Which Declaration being read by the said Augustinus Her-
man and delivered to the Governor hee withdrew, and the
Councell resolved that the buisness be forthwith takē into
debate, & that they would haue ready an answer by Saturday
the 8th instant by five of the Clock in the afternoone and
aiourned till next morneing.

At a Councell held at Patuxent October the 7th 1659.

Present	The Governor	}	{	Luke Barber
	Secretary			Coll Na: Vtie
	Cap ⁿ W ^m Stone			Baker Brookes
	M ^r Thomas Gerrard			Ed LLoyde Esq ^{rs}

The Councell tooke the Declaration &c of the Dutch Embas-
sadors into consideration, and after long debate considering his
Lo^{ps} Instructions and order were onely to giue the Dutch
warneing to be gon, that when wee are able to beate them out,
they may not plead Ignorance resolved that an answer be
given in writteing by way of letter directed to the Generall of
the Mannhattans in these words (viz

Honno^{ble} Lords

Wee haue receiued your letters of Credence by the hands of
S^{rs} Augustinus Herman and Resolued Waldron your Embas-
sadors. wherein as Wee find many expressions of loue and
amity, soe wee accompt our Selues oblied to retourne yow
reall thankes in vnfoulding the Causes of that w^{ch} it seemes
hath bene the reason of your astonishment and wonder, and as
the matter shall permitt giue yow that satisfaction which with
reason you can expect and which wee likewise shall exact from
yow in the rendring to vs as Substitutes of the Right Honno^{ble}
Cæcilius Lord Baron of Baltemore, Lord and Proprietary of p. 56
this Province &c. That part of his Lo^{ps} Province lying in