

P. R. O. Colonial Papers. the question is stated between them viz:—Whether in the year 1632 the Dutch were possessed of the lands claimed by M<sup>r</sup> Penn which M<sup>r</sup> Penn's Agent undertakes to prove in a short time and their Lord<sup>ps</sup> will then take this matter into further consideration

William Penn Proprietary & Govern<sup>r</sup>  
of the Province of Pennsylvania & the  
Territories thereunto belonging.

[L. S.]

I do hereby declare th<sup>t</sup> I have bought of Machaloha all his Land lying betweene Delaware River the Bay of Cheasepeek bay and Susquahannah River. And do warn all Persons that they presume not to settle thereon without my leave, & th<sup>t</sup> those th<sup>t</sup> are already or shall hereafter settle upon any part of the same do behave themselves justly & lovingly towards him & his fellow Indians. Given at New Castle the 18<sup>th</sup> October 1683.

Wm Penn.

(Endorsed)

M<sup>r</sup> Penn's paper his purchase  
of lands from the savages.

Oct 1683.

Patux<sup>t</sup> Decemb 7<sup>th</sup> 1683.

Dear S<sup>r</sup>

The begining of the last month I writt to you and therein gave you my acknowledgmt for your obligeing Lre of the 8<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>ber</sup> wherein you very Kindly assured me, that nothing would be Concluded by the Councill without hearing me or my agents and that if I came over in the Spring you believed I should find that businesse of Delaware undetermined I hope (and by your favour I presume to assure my selfe) that I may be heard in person, afore the Lords of the Councill will proceed in a matter of that Concerne to my Interest here. And w<sup>ch</sup> gives me Still the greater Confidence I shall have Liberty to appeare in person to make out my Right to Delaware is that my father in his life time and since his decease I have Petitioned his Royal Highness for a hearing of that Matter, but his Highness his greater Affaires did not afford time for it whilst I was in England so that since I sought for a hearing of that businesse soe far, as, with good manners, became me towards his Highness, it would now be some what hard, that, in my absence I should be concluded S<sup>r</sup> it is a matter of that importance to me that I dare not Comitt the management of it to the best agents I can procure to act for me in my absence therefore I earnestly recomend to your Kindness that you will continue moving for some time to be given me for my appearance in person at the Councill board