

An Article  
of Neck  
between  
the Bay  
According  
to Dutch  
Notion of it

Each Side may be Committed out of each Province for to Meet at a  
Certain Day and time about the Middle of between the Bay of Chesapeake  
and the apt South River or Delaware bay at a Hill by the head of  
Sassafras River and another River coming from our River almost two  
together, with full Power and Commission to settle there the bounds and  
Limits of between the apt Province of the new Netherlands and the province  
of Maryland for ever if possible Otherwise to refer the difference they  
might find not respecting to both Sides to Arbitration or to some other  
Europe but in the mean while that all other hostility or Injurie  
to each Other may cease and not proceed further so that the hon<sup>ble</sup>  
Governour you and Council of the new Netherlands hereof assured  
further Charges and damages Incurred may Call their Soldiers home  
which upon the Lutes or to defend their Province and Colony as only as  
sent neither and that we both sides at a fair Correspondence may keep  
as always hitherto before, By Demands or refusal wherof we do protest  
our Innocency and Ignorance to all the world and do protest generally  
against all wrongs Injuries Charges and damages already sustained and suffered  
or as yet to be suffered and sustained, ~~Declaring~~ Manifesting that we  
are and shall be thus troubled and forced by way of reward a Pardon  
according to the 24<sup>th</sup> Article of Peace to preserve maintain and to  
hold our Right title and Property of our apt South River Colony  
or Delaware bay and our Subjects Lives Liberties and Estates as God  
in our Just Cause shall Strengthen and Enable us

Desiring this may be Received and Notified unto all to whom it in  
any way may Concern, with the true meaning and Tenor thereof and that  
a speedy direct answer and dispatch may be given to us in writing from  
you the hon<sup>ble</sup> Governour and Council of the Province in Maryland  
for to be returned and recorded by our hon<sup>ble</sup> Governour General  
and Council of the province in New Netherlands

And so wishing the Lord God Almighty will Conduct your honours to  
all Good and Results, that we may live Neighbourly together in this  
Wilderness to the Advancement of Gods Glory and Honour of Heaven  
amongst the heathens, and not to the Destruction of each Others Christian  
Blood, whereby to Strengthen the Barbarous Indians, nay rather  
Joyne in love League together against them, which God our Saviour  
will Grant -

Written and signed by our selves in the Province  
Maryland in Chesapeake bay at St Marys County and delivered this  
day of October Anno Domini 1659. in Presence  
Augustine Herman  
Resolvet Walter