

for the same Judge not thinking himself obliged to  
 go down to deliver me my application being made to  
 him in sufficient Reason offered by the Commander  
 therefore I should find that the Commander upon his  
 demand would have done by the Act of the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> of King  
 William & Queen Mary of which Statute I have no  
 Request to demand to put the Prize into the hands of  
 the Governor in plain English words which you must  
 needs know to be the present Governour's President  
 & Council all the same be continued & discharged therefore  
 you would do well to advise him to conform himself to  
 that Law or any other taken of his present Majesty if you  
 know any such Law Sir

To George Plunk Esq<sup>r</sup> Your humble servant  
 The Dutch

Sir Mr. Plunk having advised of your arrival  
 with a Dutch Prize taken at sea I find by the Act of  
 the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> of King William & Queen Mary you are ob-  
 liged to put the same into the Possession of the Governor  
 of this his Majesty's Province where Authority is by Law  
 reserved the Great Seal of England lodged in my self the  
 President & Council if there be any later Statute or Order  
 made for regulating that matter otherwise and you are  
 apprized thereof I should be glad you would communicate  
 the same in order to the legal Confirmation of your  
 Right and Security of his Majesty's Interest therein this  
 I have no Request of delivering the Prize into the  
 Possession of the Governor I have taken care to make