

After this in the year 1623 the Fort Nassau was built
about 14 leagues up the River on the Eastern Shore, besides
many other places of the Dutch, and the Dutch moved
to and again settled. untill it thought the Governor
Generall and Council good to remove the said Fort Nassau
in the year 1650 down wards to the Western Shore
again, and there to fix a Town as it is to this day.
No man ever making any protest or claim from
Maryland or Virginia against it. The day further
more, to have the propriation and inst Right and Title
of that whole River (and all our abovesaid provinces)
also lawfully obtained and legally bought from the Na-
tural proprietors the Native Indians, especially the
Western Shore from time to time hitherto, as far as
now within land to the West, as our line and limits as
yet are extended and dated. By virtue of all which &
the Right and Title abovesaid we have allwaies
maintained and defended the said River against all Usur-
pers and Obstructors as it is publicly known to this
day, and shall doe for ever.

Thirdly from that primitive time aforesaid have the Dutch
Nation in the province of the New Netherlands, and the
English Nation in the province of Virginia and Maryland
aforesaid allwaies friendly and Neighbourly correspond-
ed together, and that which is very well to be noted
is in the East open war without any claim or in-
jury or molestation one to another. Untill upon the Eight
day of September this running year 1659 Col. Nathaniel
Wood came to our aforesaid South River (by the
English called Delaware Bay aforesaid) into the River
and Fort Mores still erected in the year 1650 as a-
bovesaid, and without any special Commission or lawfull
authority from any State, printed Parliament or Government
exhibited only by a piece of paper a Cartabell by forme
of an Instruction from Philip Calvert Secretary
written without year or day, nor name or place where
written signed and sealed by any State, printed Parliam-
ent or Government commanded in a manner and required in
a strange way, that the Town and Country should be
delivered and surrendered up to the province of Maryland
as he saith for my Lord Baltimore. Going from house to
house to seduce and draw the Inhabitants to rebell and
fall from their Right lawfull Lords Sovereign Goodwill
and province with threatening in case of no present
willing submission, and delivery to come againe and
bring them to it by force of Armed fire, and sword

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