

Articles of peace and confederacy should have made
repairs before the 18th of May 1652 to the Hon^{ble} Commissioners
appointed by both States for the determination of such and the like differences as might
have been committed or transacted between the two
Nations in the foregoing parts of the war since
the year 1644 to the 18th day of May 1652 after which
type it is in plain terms prohibited and proclaimed
that then no pretences more should be admitted.

In obedience to which to know the true meaning
and interpretation of the aforesaid thirtieth Article by
two Evident Examples and Witnesses of your own
Race and Chiefest authority of the Republick of Engl^{and}
and I do say that New England in these days claiming
ing also some interest to our limits from their Side, and
my Lord Protector's Shippes by open warre send together
to subdue the aforesaid Province of New Netherland at
the other Side Peace being concluded concluded and de-
-sorted upon that Occasion their designs and went a-
gainst the French. So that the Right and Title of
Dutch Nation have unto their Province of the Nether-
lands aforesaid ever since More and more stand con-
firmed and Ratified. But forasmuch now motion
is made and question moved into our Western li-
mits, and having thereupon observed and suspected
the Bay of Chesapeake in the uppermost part lying
winding so much to the North East to run about Cape
fox and Elk River into our Lyn^{ns} we therefore lay
also claim to those parts in full by due Examination
hereafter the truth hereof may be found out or agreed
and settled amongst us otherwise.

Lastly and finally to conclude the Hon^{ble} Governor
Generall and Council of the New Netherland about
said both declare and manifest that like those at
our Side never have intended any wrong or offence to
the Province of Virginia, or new Maryland in the Bay
of Chesapeake so we desire to continue still with
them in all neighborly amity, confederacy and friend-
ship saving only that Justice and Satisfaction may
be given as here demanded. Propounding further by
way of advice to prevent further mischief that three
Rationall persons in each Side may be committed out
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