

verbal report of the said interpreter, requesting only that the Hon^{ble} Director-General should himself come with a good interpreter to conclude the peace and to let them have a small piece of land at a great distance, which they might plant and after due consideration thereof and reflection upon the importance of the matter and weakness of the board of Director-General and Council, they have unanimously decided and resolved, to send thither with the Honorable Director-General, one of the active Burgomasters and a former Burgomaster of this City, namely the Worshipful *Marten Cregier* and *Oloff Stevenson van Cortlandt*, to assist the Hon^{ble} Director-General in any difficulty with their advice and counsel. Thus done at the meeting in *Fort Amst^m* in *N. Netherland* on the day as above.

P. STUYVESANT.

EXTRACT FROM A LETTER OF DIRECTOR STUYVESANT TO THE VICE-DIRECTOR AT CURAÇAO; REGARDING THE ESOPUS INDIANS TRANSPORTED TO CURAÇAO. 5TH JULY 1660.

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I said in my last letter, that we were at open war with the savages of the *Esopus*, which the good God has thus directed and blessed that the barbarians, seeing no other way out of it, have solicited peace through nearly all the surrounding savages, offering all their lands for their depredations and leaving for greater security thereof the prisoners, taken since, in our hands, who are sent to the number of 10 or 11 by this vessel to your Honor, to be in safer keeping there on the Island and to be employed with the negroes in the Company's service until further advice.

Hope is held out to the other savages, that if they keep their word in maintaining the peace, they may perhaps get back some of their transported friends; as I am about to leave to conclude the solicited peace, I find little material and less time to enlarge this, therefore in closing etc.

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TREATY OF PEACE, CONCLUDED WITH THE ESOPUS INDIANS ON THE 15TH JULY 1660.

Names of the chiefs, who asked for peace in the name of the *Esopus* savages and in whose presence the peace was concluded:

Of the *Maquas*:
Adoghinoakque
Wohesaquade
Oghnecott

Of the *Mohicans*:
Eskuyas, alias *Aepje*
Amputet

Articles of peace, made at the request of the below named chiefs of the savages between the Hon. *Petrus Stuyvesant*, Director-General of *New-Netherland* and the Sachems or chiefs of the Indians of the *Esopus*.

1.

All hostilities on either side shall cease and all acts and injuries shall be forgotten and forgiven by either side.

2.

The *Esopus* savages promise to convey, as indemnification, to the aforesaid Director-General all the territory of the *Esopus* and to remove to a distance from there, without ever returning again to plant.

3.

They promise further to pay to the said Director-General in return for the ransom, taken for the captured Christians, 500