

hoeck),¹ Horse Point, and in the manner following: *Firstly*.—Volkert Janse acknowledged, that he had sold, and Pieter Winne, that he had bought of him, the aforesaid half island, lying as aforesaid over against Paerde Hoeck, which was aforesaid named Constapel's island. (The other half of which at present belongs to Teunis Spitsbergen, and is leased by Marten Cornelissen [Van Buren]), with the half the house, barn and rick, and all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed; the same shall be delivered free and unencumbered to the buyer, only excepting the lord's [patroon's?] right. For which aforesaid half island, with the half of the house, barn and rick, Pieter Winne promises to pay the number of nine and sixty good whole merchantable beaver skins, six pieces [skins] of which he shall pay down to the seller's wife; the remainder in three installments, each time twenty-one beavers, of which the first shall be on the first of November, next coming; the second on the first of November, A. D. 1676; and the third or last installment, on the first of November, A. D. 1677. Further, it is hereby agreed and conditioned, that, as the aforesaid half island is still under lease to Marten Cornelise for the term of six years, from the first of May last, the lease shall have its full effect; and as [it is rented] for fifty-six schepels of wheat yearly for the whole island, as the seller says, the buyer shall receive five years' rent thereof, and the seller the rent of the current year, each time twenty-eight schepels for the half; wherewith the contracting parties acknowledge that they are well satisfied; pledging hereto for the performance of this contract their respective persons and estates, real and personal, present and future.

Thus done in Albany, in the presence of Adriaen Gerritsen, and Andries Teller, as witnesses, hereto called on this 26th of July, A. D. 1675.

PIETER WINNE.

Adriaen Gerretsen.

A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritsen, and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Hendrickse Bruyns, who declared that he, in true rights, free ownership, had granted, conveyed and transferred, as he by these presents does [grant, etc.], to and for the behoof of Myndert Frederickse Smit, here in Albany, his just third part of land, to him belonging, in company with Jan Clute and Jurriaen Teunissen, with all the right and title, which he, the grantor, therein has, according to patent thereof, from the right honorable Governor General Nicols, of date the 25th of May, A. D. 1667, whereto reference is made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's [duke's] right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more against it, and acknowledging, that he is fully satisfied and paid for the same, the first with the last penny, by him, Myndert Frederickse, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Myndert Frederickse, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid

¹ Paerde Hoeck is spoken of as early as 1643.—*O' Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, 1, 440.

third part of land and the appendances of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend said third part of land and appendances of the same, against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, this 7th of August, A. D. 1675.

Adriaen Gerretsen.

A. Teller.

JAN HEINDERCK BRUYNS.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of honorable Adriaen Gerritsen, and Anderies Teller, commissaries, etc., Mr. Gerrit Swart, and Mr. Adriaen Van Ilpendam, as administrators of the estate of Jan Stuart, deceased, who declare by these presents, that they have granted and conveyed, and in true rights, free ownership, have transferred to and for the behoof of Lourens Van Alen, for a certain house and lot of the aforesaid Jan Stuart, standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, between the house of Evert Janse Kuyper [Cooper], and Wynaut Gerritse [Van der Poel], and said lot is according to conveyance from Jan Coneel, of date 20 Aug., A. D. 1670; breadth, twelve feet seven and a half inches, Rynland measure; and length to the rear, six rods and five feet, or according to the bill of sale, as large as it lies inclosed in fence; which being measured by the surveyor, was found to be on Evert Jansen's side, six rods * * * and two inches; on Melgert Wynants' side, length six rods six feet and one inch; breadth in the rear, one rod * * ten inches; in front to the street on the hill [?], breadth one rod * * * ten inches, Rynland measure; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's [duke's?] right, without the grantor's in aforesaid character [of administrators], making any further claim upon it, also acknowledging, that they have been fully satisfied and paid by said Lourens Van Alen, the first penny with the last, moreover giving full power to said Lourens Van Alen, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend said house and lot from all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, 11th of Aug., A. D. 1675.

Adriaen Gerretsen.

A. Teller.

G. SWARTT.

ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

¹ Melgert Wynantse Van der Poel, gunstocker, was a son of Wynant Van der Poel. By his two wives: Arlaantje Verplanck, and Elizabeth Teller widow of Abraham Van Tricht, he had ten children, seven sons and three daughters. His lot was in State street, fronting the Fort. He was not living Sept. 19, 1710.