

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Schuyler and Mr. Jan Van Bael, Mr. Jan Bruyns, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Helmer Otten, in a certain house, lot and garden at present occupied by Pieter Adriaense [Sogemakelyck, *alias* Van Woggelum] as the same is built, enclosed and fenced, standing and lying here in Albany, bounded according to the tenor and contents of the contract, and other proofs, to which reference is made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor with an obligation and mortgage, from the hands of said Helmer Otten, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Helmer Otten, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house, lot, and garden as he might do with his patrimonial possessions and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 8th of Oct., 1670.

JAN HENERCK BRUYNs.

*Philip Pieterse Schuyler.*

*Jan Hend. Van Bael.*

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Mr. Helmer Otten, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Jan Bruyns, in the quantity of one hundred whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, growing out of the purchase of a house, lot and garden, which said hundred beavers the subscriber promises to pay to said Mr. Bruyns, or to the lawful holder of this in the month of June, 1671, with proper interest at ten *per cent*, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to the lord's laws and judges.

In witness of the truth the same is subscribed by his own hand on this 8th of October, 1670, in Albany.

HELMERIN OTTEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 1st of April, 1687, Ryer Schermerhoorn appeared before the secretary with the authentic copy of the foregoing obligation, and on the back of the same was written by Jan Hendr: Bruyns:

"Albany, the 22d of July, 1679, I acknowledge, that I have received full satisfaction for this obligation on the above date.

"JAN HENDRICK BRUYNs."

Was subscribed, *quod attestor.*

ROBERT LIVINGSTON.