



Rotterdam. the 9 May 1645

My most humble
 after the perponderation of many thoughts w^{ch} in
 mine owne spirit, ^{to} might be bold wth out express of arro-
 gant presumption, give amount unto yo^r Wor^{sh} of my long defor-
 red proiect, w^{ch} I often troubled you about, concerning the strong
 conceits w^{ch} I had of being able to make an Iron Globe or Engine
 w^{ch} by the meanes of men working w^{ch} in it, should be able to break
 the battles of an enemy w^{ch} ease str. w^{ch} I gave long agoe insinua-
 ted unto you. Now having employed my selfe, and about 500 g^s
 in charges, the last winter was twelve monethes in endeavouring
 to accomplish that service, for the benefit of these Land: and
 finding that although the proiect were good, & very profitable,
 yet when it came to the upshot of triall, I found, that the
 waighe of the Iron was more, then the waighe of the men
 w^{ch} should worke w^{ch} in it w^{ch} able to manage, and
 therefore (w^{ch} same enough) sate downe by the losse, strooke
 my worke in pietes w^{ch} I had made, because none should be able
 to make use of my invention) and gave beene assumed to give
 you amount thereof untill this day. But now considering
 that I shuld neglected my duty, (in that respect) unto you, I
 now (though too long after) give you this true amount thereof,
 that you may know that I did not worke you, but gave put my
 selfe to charges to accomplish it (though in vaine) as is well
 knowne in Rotterdam, & yo^r intreating yo^r pardon for my long
 neglect of giving you this amount I desire.

As in my desistance from that proiect, I gave humbled
 my soule before God, and taken into serious consideration the
 distractions of Europe, and the true groundes whereupon ^{arise}
 and fomented so many bloody wars, and persecutions for reli-
 gions sake, as gave for these many ages infested the profess-
 ions of Christianity amongst themselves; and gave therefore (in
 faithfulness unto God and man) written and published plainly
 under mine owne name unto the world, that w^{ch} many (for par-
 tiality) would not: and many others (for feare of persecution
 for their paines) durst not: and gave therefore all presented
 unto yo^r Wor^{sh} (by this ^{letter} one copy), w^{ch} I humbly intreat you to
 accept at my hand: w^{ch} though it be scarce worty of your
 Wor^{sh} reading, yet ^{that} you may give it lying by you, that if
 it please God that I fall under persecution for the same,
 you may be able to understand (by more then by heare-say)
 the true cause thereof. I give ever remaining truly &
 cordially thankfull unto you for all your kind respects,
 but in most especiall wise, in procuring me yo^r Highnes letter
 unto the States of Zeelandt, for the payment of my 9
 yeares [letter-stellinghe] pension, w^{ch} I shuld now have re-
 ceived, and therefore continue, a continuall petitioner unto
 the highest Throne of grace, both for yo^r Highnes, and
 your Wor^{sh} & remaine

yo^r Wor^{sh} very devoted
 servant to yo^r utmost
 power

Henry Tuthill, booke-
 seller at Rotterdam.

Hug. 37.

Aen den Edelen ende Mog:
Heer

Mijn Heer sive Constant
Huygens, Ridder, Secre-
taris tot sijn Hoog: mog:
Hoogheyt den Princen van
Oranien

Jns Grauen Haegh.

Met 1 Boeck.

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