



Rotterdam. 20ij 9 May 1645

W^right W^rnt^{le}: after the perponderation of many houres w^rth in
mine owne spirit, & w^rch^{re} it my^t be bold w^rth out express^e of arra-
gant presumption, give amount unto yo^r Wor^{pp} of any long defor-
med project, w^rch^{re} often troublod you about, concerning the strong
concre^e w^rch^{re} had off being able to make an Iron Globe or Engin
w^rch^{re} by the meane^s of men working w^rth in it, shold be able to break
the battle of an enemy w^rch^{re} eas^e str. ab^t I gave long agoe insinua-
ted unto you. Now spring imployed my selfe, and about 500 g^t-
d^o unto you. Now spring imployed my selfe, and about 500 g^t-
d^o in Sparyed, the last winter was twelve moneths in endeavouring
to accomplish that service, for the benefit of these Lands: and
finding that althoug^h the project were good, & very hopefull,
yet when it came to the upshot of triall, I found, that the
waig^t of the Iron was more, then the waig^t of the men
w^rch^{re} workte w^rth in it w^ras not able to manage, and
w^rch^{re} shold worke w^rth in it w^ras not able to manage, and
the waig^t (with same enoug^h) late downe by the losse, strooke
my worke in pieces w^rch^{re} had made, because none shold be able
to make use off my invention) and gave beeine assained to give
you amount thereof untill this day. But now considering
that I have neglected my dutie (in that respect) unto you, if
nowtough, too long after) give you this true amount thereof,
that you may know that I did not morte you, but gave put my
selfe to sparyes to accomplit^h it (sparyes in vaine) as it well-
knowne in Rotterdam, to be intreating yo^r pardon for my long
neglect of giving you his account of deßist.

In int^e my desistance from that project, I gave gumbly
my soule before God, and taken into strions consideration the
distractions of Europe, and the true groundes whereupon arose
and fomented so many bloudy war^s, and persecutions for reli-
gions sake, ab^t gave for these many ages infested the profess-
ors of Christianity amongst themselues; and gave thereupon (in
fayfulness unto God and man) written and publissed plainly
under mine name unto the world, that w^rere many (for par-
tiality) would not: and many others for feare of persecution
for their paines durst not: and gave gumbly intreat^e you to
unto by this winter one copy, w^rch^{re} it be starr^e worthy of your
accept^e at my hand: w^rch^{re} it be starr^e worthy of your
Wor^{pp} reading, yet^t you may have 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 feare say)
the true cause thereof. I give ever remaining truely &
cordially thankfull unto you for all your kind respects,
but in most especiall wise, in procuring me gis Highnes letter
unto the Estates of Zeelandt, for the payment of my 9-
year^s sareter-stellinghe pension, w^rch^{re} I have nowall re-
ceived, and therefore continue a continuall petitioner unto
the higgest spone of gracie, bote^r for gis Highnes, and
your Wor^{pp} & remaine

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

Henry Tuthill, booke-
seller at Rotterdam.

Hug. 37:

Aen den Edelen ende Mag:
Heer

Mijn Heer Sire Constant
Huygens, Ridders, Secre-
taris tot Sijn Hoog: mog:
Hoogheyt den Prince van
Oranien

An s' Graven Haegh.

Met 1 boek.

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