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There is noe doubt but the dutch much misliking this they Resolved to goe up the River as high as they could and there landed setting up a post with the mark of the west Indian Company in this manner GWC by which they claime their title to that River, whereupon by Comānd from the Generall of the Manadoes They built a fort on the sand point where they first Landed. after their mishap. in the bay, this fort being soe built for their Security against the Indians and Christians one Andrew Hudde being the Chiefemañ sometimes Secretary sometimes Commandant, and at other times nothing at all being according to behaviour turned out and put in againe according to pleasure which person I knew very well and have heard him & others discourse of what had happened and past in his time.

In this manner they lived along time without any Govern^t till neere the yeare 1652 when the Sweedes did fitt out a fly boate with Considerable cargoe with another small vessell filled with freemen and Soldiers with a Governo^r called Manheer prince and Younker passage besides a factor Henric Huogan and Jacob Swanson who were to trade with the Indians.

Upon their arriveall in Delaware they askt leave of the Dutch to refresh themselves with water, to which the Dutch Yeilded not imagining they had any design upon that place . . . but the Sweedes having got a shoare made the Dutch quitt their possessions and were turned to their ships as before. And then the Sweedes with as little right as the Dutch had done before possesst themselves of that River they having thus lost the South River as they had a fore lost the North River the West India Company being very poore, and noe ways able to encounter the Sweedes they resolved upon a protest which they made ag^t the Sweede for dispossessing them of their possessions which the Sweede little re-guarded.

After this the Company stated their Case of the City of Amsterdam the Citty being full of money doth resolve to Assist the said Company in Order to restore them to their former possessions.

In the year 1654 the Citty of Amsterdam did cause a Ship to be fitted out with Thirty six great Guns being called the Waegh and manned accordingly whereof was Comander Cap^t Fouing which said Cap^t and other Officers I know very well & had relation of some of them what was past at that time The Sweedes in the meane time being Interlopers keepe a trade with the Indians. The Governo^r going to Sweedland left his Son in Law papagy the Government and the Fort at the Sand point, which they tooke from the Dutch being very Inconsiderable was enlarged by them & called Casimoirs and another fort builded five mile higher was called Christina.