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Mr Peter Smith, Merchant  
New York

Dear Friend,

I had no paper or type  
I would write you before now,  
but am sorry to hear that  
you did not sent the papers  
to New York sooner, Capt. Seler  
has sent a word or speech to  
New York <sup>against our agreement</sup> by Capt. Hendrick  
before you sent down the pa-  
pers. — It must be very  
well known to you that pro-  
mise you made to me, that  
if the Assembly should con-  
firm your Lease, then you  
would reward me for what  
I have done, in aiding you  
to obtain the Lease of our  
nation, But I han't afraid

But what you will perform  
your promise, — But pray  
my friend don't mention it  
to no living soul — & Especial-  
ly to Capt. Peter — or if any should  
Inquire should be made  
about my obtaining reward  
of you concerning your deap  
of our Land — But you keep it  
all in Secrecy — In Hurry I  
am your affectionate —

Jacob Reed

[Jacob Reed]

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Peter Smith. Meritt