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This house, on the corner of the Brouwers Straet and the Gracht, seems to have been one of the most substantial dwellings on the block. At the period of the Plan, it belonged to Oloff Stevensen van Cortlandt. On January 12, 1660, he bought it from Teunis Cray, who had probably built it.—*Liber Deeds*, A: 180.

The confirmation to Van Cortlandt is dated August 12, 1667.—*Patents*, II: 93 (Albany). For Van Cortlandt, see Block D, No. 10.