Hendrick Egbertsen, from Nieuwenhuysen, had had "a house and lot situate opposite Jan de Jongh," which was "cut off by Director General and Council." He appealed to the burgomasters for payment for it, April 18, 1659.—Rec. N. Am., VII: 218. More than a year later, they replied "Whereas Director General and Council . . . have condemned the house and lot . . . and not the Burgomasters of this City, petitioner is therefore referred to the Director General and Council of N: Netherland."—Ibid., VII: 252.

Only one early deed has been found into Egbertsen, [2] and the location of his house has not been definitely ascertained. It was "opposite Jan de Jongh," who at that time occupied Michiel Jansen's house (Block D, No. 21). The little street which originally separated the grants of Claes van Elslant and Evert Jansen Wendel opened directly opposite Michiel Jansen's house. It was closed by the survey of 1657. The natural conclusion is that Hendrick Egbertsen's house had encroached on some part of this street, which was city property, and that he, having only a squatter's title, had been ruthlessly removed.

The burgomasters, "having conversed with the General," made a grant to Egbertsen of the land which had been covered by this little street. The deed was not delivered until August 23, 1660, although his new house was already built.—Liber Deeds, A: 209.

Within a few weeks, Egbertsen sold to Jan Schryver, a master-tailor (*ibid.*, A: 197), who fenced the lot in, and, undoubtedly, encroached on Hendrick van Bommel's property on the east; for the city had conveyed a lot wider than the little street itself. Van Bommel brought the tailor into court for trespass. On October 18, 1661, the burgomasters, after hearing the dispute, "undertake to make ocular inspection of it [the lot]."—Rec. N. Am., III: 387. On April 7, 1662, Van Bommel asked the burgomasters again for restitution of fifteen feet of land belonging to him, and formerly a part of the little street along side of his house, "and given by the Burgomasters to Hendrick Eghbersen." The burgomasters replied, casually, that they would "inspect the locality."—Exec. Min. of Burgomasters, in Min. of Orph. Court, II: 134-135.

On the 10th of May, following, Schryver conveyed the lot to Paulus vander Beeck.—La Chair's Register in Hol. Soc. Year Book, 1900, p. 141. He, in turn, interrogated the city fathers, asking: "How it is with the lot, bought by him from Jan Schryver, lying East of the house and lot of Pieter Pia. He is told to be easy about it."—Min. of Orph. Court, II: 156.

The building at No. 18 Beaver Street covers the bed of this little street, which is not mentioned again. (See note on this extinct street in Key to Map of the Dutch Grants.)