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The Memoriall of what Col^l Spotswood
Gov^r of Virginia sent to the Bishop of
London in Relation to the Education of
Indian Children in William & Mary
Colledge and y^e conversion of the neigh-
-bouring Nations, to be laid before the Queen

Humbly Sheweth.

That his Excellency hath Dealt so prudently
wth those people, as to perswade Them to send Two Sons
of y^e Chief Men in Each Town to be Educated in y^e
Colledge w^{ch} amount to y^e Number of Twenty; By w^{ch}
means he had so many Hostages for y^e peaceable Be-
-haviour of Those Tributary Nations, The Parents and Friends
of those Children come often to y^e Colledge to see Them,
and are wonderfully taken wth y^e care that is had of
Them, insomuch that they Lament their own Misfortunes
in having not had the like Oppertunity of Education
in their Infancy, and are Desirous to Receive Instructions
when Wee can yeild it Them. His Excell: is of Opinion,
that the onely course that can be taken for the Accom-
-plishment of so good a work must be to have two Churches
and Schools erected in two of the principall Towns, and
to furnish Each wth a Minister & Schoolm^{an} of w^{ch}
there there is one already upon y^e place who offers his
Service to take care of One of the Churches & is Judged
a proper Person for it. but still there must be a Provision

found out for these Ministers & Schoolmasters for their
Maintenance, as well as for Erecting the s^d. Structures —

It is humbly Therefore hoped that Her Maj^{ty}
will allow so much out of Her Quittrents
there, as may suffice for the Building of the
s^d. Churches, & for y^e maintenance at least of
one of the s^d. Ministers & Schoolmasters, it being
hoped that y^e. Society will make provision for
the Other, And likewise in Consideration of the
very slender provision for the Education of Indian
Children in y^e. Colledge (there being no more
than what M^r. Bayl gave for that purpose and
we^{ch} will not Defray y^e. tenth part of the Charge
the Colledge is at for those they now have) that
Her Maj^{ty}. would be pleased to appoint an Allow^{ce}.
sufficient to Supply the Defect. —

All which is humbly laid before Her
Maj^{ty} for her charitable Consideration
H^c. London

May it please Yo^r. Lordship

In Obedience to Yo^r. Lordship's Commands by M^r. Lowndes
referring to me the Memorial of Coll^o. Spotswood Lieut^o. Gov^o.
of Virginia sent to the Lord Bishop of London in relation to
y^e. Indian Children in the Colledge of William & Mary
there, and y^e Conversion of the Neighbouring Nations; I

have consider'd y^e. s^d. Memorall and y^e. sev^{ll}. matters therein
contained. And do humbly report that y^e. Proposall made by
Coll^o. Spotswood of having Two Churches Erected in Two
of the Indian Hamletts or Towns in Virginia, To be fur-
-nished Each wth a Minister and a Schoolmaster would tend
very much to the Benefit and greater Safety of y^e. Colony
and even of other Her Maj^{ty}'s Plantacons upon y^e. Con-
-tinent, in securing & Establishing a Friendship wth
those bordering Nations by such an Intercourse & Depen-
-dence a such a further Settlement may procure, es-
-pecially at a time when a Project has been lately set
on foot by Letters / Patents in France to renew and
improve y^e. Discoverys made on the back of the English
Colonys from the River of Mississippi to the River of
St. Lawrence as far as Newfoundland, where our Virginia
& Neighbouring Indians may happen to be Conversant,
and retain a Friendship and Kindness for y^e. English
in their distant Travells and yearly Huntings thro
great Tracts of Land, and so disapoint or make known
the Intentions & Progress of the French, w^{ch} if brought
to Effect as designed by such Letters Patents, would much
endanger or Impair our Trade in Furs and otherwise
as well as give way for inroads and Occasion Attempts
to be made upon the English by such Indians in
those Parts as hath lately happen'd in Carolina. —
The Establishing of w^{ch}. Churches & Schools as abovemention'd

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would not onely be a Benefitt to Great Britain but be esteemed a pious necessary and proper Work & Undertaking for the Society for Propagation of the Gospell in America, w^{ch} would receive a greater Benefitt and Enlargement by this Proceeding than in any other Manner. The Society as appears by the s^d. Memorall having already given Occasion to hope They will make Provision for one of the s^d. Churches, Ministers & Schoolmasters; And it being, in Default of such an entire Provision by the s^d. Society, proposed in Conclusion of the s^d. Memorall, that Her Maj^{ty}. Do allow so much out of Her Duties in Virginia, as may Suffice for one of the s^d. Churches, wth one of ye s^d. Ministers and Schoolma^{rs}.

I do thereupon further humbly Represent that the state of Her Maj^{ty}'s Duties having been very lately by me laid before yo^r. Lords wth ye Receipt of the Queen's Order in Virginia for £3000. to be remitted into England out of the s^d. Duties as they shall arise (w^{ch} may be Comply'd wth in less than three years) Her Maj^{ty} may if she shall so think fitt either previously or afterwards Direct the Sum^m of £. 300. to be Allowed out of the s^d. Duties for building one of the s^d. Churches and Maintenance of one Minister and Assistant for ye first year, and of £. 150. to be further Allowed yearly for ye carrying on that good Work on Her Maj^{ty}'s Part, in case the s^d. Society may not be willing to make a further Allotment for this Purpose. —

Which is most humbly submitted.

8th Nov^r: 1712.

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S^r:

My Lord Treasurer having Received from the
 Rt Hon^{ble} the Earle of Dartmouth the inclos'd Memoriall
 of what Coll^l Spotswood Gov^r of Virginia sent to the
 Bishop of London in relation to the Education of In-
 dian Children in William & Mary Colledge, and the
 Conversion of the Neighbouring Nations; His Lords
 Commands me to transmitt the same to you, and desire you
 to peruse and consider y^e sev^l matters therein contained
 and let him have yo^r Opinion thereupon what you
 think proper for Her Maj^{ty} to do therein.

I am

S^r etc

Wm Lowndes

Treaty Cham^{rs}:

26th Nov^r 1712.

S^r:

I have understood by yo^r Letter of the 13th ins^t
 that the Bishop of London having proposed to my Lord
 Treas^r the building of a Church in each of the Two
 Indian Towns in Virginia, and maintaining a Minister
 in each of them, for w^{ch} Purpose Her Maj^{ty} might be
 pleased to Allow Two Hundred pounds p^o Ann^o. out of Her
 Duties there, His Lords thereupon directed me to lay
 before him an Acct of y^e s^d Duties And to what Uses

they are or ought to be applied. I take leave to mention
that I laid before his Lo^{ty} on ye. 8th Inst: a Report
on the same Subject, and now humbly present a
State of an Acc^t of the s^d Duties together wth a copy
of a Letter from his Maj^{ty} King Charles the Second to
my Lord Howard of Effingham then Gov^r of Virginia
relating to those Duties at the first Settlement of them,
whereby it may appear to what Uses the s^d Duties
are, or were then intended to be applied. Which
is in Obedience to his Lo^{ty}'s Commands.

I am

S^c et^a

W. B.

Whitehall 18th Decem^r: 1712.

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The Memoriall of what Coll. Spotswood Govr. of Virginia sent to the Bishop of London in Relation to the Education of Indian Children in William and Mary Colledge and the conversion of the neighbouring Nations, to be laid before the Queen.

Humtly Sheweth

That his Excellency hath Dealt so prudently with those people, as to persuade Them to send Two Sons of the Cheif Men in Each Town to be Educated in the College which amount to the Number of Twenty; By which means he had so many Hostages for the peaceable Behazior of Those Tributary Nations, The Parents and Friends of those Children come often to the Colledge to see Them, and are wonderfully taken with the Care that is had of Them, insomuch that they Lament their own Misfortunes in having not had the like Oppertunity of Education in their Infancy, and are Desirous to Receive Instructions when Wee can yeild it Them. His Excellcy. is of Opinion, that the onely Course that can be taken for the Accomplishmt. of so good a work must be to have two Churches and Schools erected in two of the principall Towns, and to furnish Each with a Minister & Schoolmaster of which there is one already upon the place who offers his Service to take Care of One of the Churches & is Judged a proper Person for it. but still there must be a Provision found out for these ministers & Schoolmasters for their Maintenance, as well as for Erecting the sd. Structures.--

It is humbly therefore hoped that Her Majesty. will allow so much out of Her Quitrents there, as may Suffice for the Building of the sd. Churches, & for the maintenance at least of one of the sd. Ministers & Schoolmasters, it being hop'd that the Society will make provision for the Other, And likewise in Consideration of the very Slender provision for the Education of Indian Children in the College (there being

no more than what Mr. Boyl gave for that purpose and which will not Defray the tenth part of the Charge the Colledge is at for those They now have) that Her Ma^{ty}. would be pleased to appoint an Allowce. sufficient to Supply the Defect.

All which is humbly laid before Her Ma^{ty}. for her Charitable Consideration.

H. LONDON

May it please Yor. Lordship

In Obedience to Yor. Lordshps. Commands by Mr. Lowndes referring to me the Memorial of Collo. Spotswood Lieut. Govr. of Virginia sent to the Lord Bishop of London in relation to the Indian Children in the College of William and Mary there, and the Conversion of the Neighbouring Nations; I have considered the sd. Memoriall and the sevl. Matters therein Contained. And do humbly report that the Proposall made by Collo. Spotswood of having Two Churches Erected in Two of the Indian Hamletts or Towns in Virginia, To be furnish'd Each with a Minister and a Schoolmaster would tend very much to the Benefitt and greater Safety of that Colony and even of Other Her Maty's. Plantations upon the Continent, in securing & Establishing a friendship with those bordering Nations by such an Intercourse & Dependence a such a further Settlement may procure, especially at a time when a Project has been lately set on foot by Letters Patents in France to renew and improve the Discoverys made on the back of the English Colonys from the River of Mississippi to the River of St. Lawrence as farr as Newfoundland, where our Virginia and Neighbouring Indians may happen to be Conversant, and retain a friendship and Kindness for the English in their distant Travells and Yearly Huntings thro great tracts of Land, and so disapoint or make known the Intentions and Progress of the French, which if brought to Effect as designed by such Letters Patents, would much endanger or Impair our Trade in Furrs and Otherwise as well as give

way for inroads and Occasion Attempts to be made upon the English by such Indians in those Parts as hath lately happen'd in Carolina.-- The Establishing of which Churches, & Schools as above mentioned would not onely be a Benefitt to Great Britain but be esteemed a pious necessary and proper Work & Undertaking for the Society for Propagation of the Gospell in America, which would receive a greater Benefitt and Enlargment by this Proceeding than in any other manner. The Society as appears by the sd. Memoriall having already given Occasion to hope They will make Provision for one of the sd. Churches, Ministers & Schoolmasters; and it being, in Default of such an entire Provision by the sd. Society, proposed in Conclusion of the sd. Memoriall, that Her Maty. Do allow so much out of Her Quitrents in Virginia, as may suffice for one of the sd. Churches, with one of the sd. Ministers and Schoolmasters. I do thereupon further humbly Represent that the state of Her Matys. Quitrents having been very lately by me laid before Yor Lorp. with the Receipt of the Queen's Order in Virginia for 3000 pounds to be remitted into England out of the said Quitrents as they shall arise (which may be Comply'd with in less than three Years) Her Maty. may if she shall so think fitt either previously or afterwards Direct the Summe of 300 pounds to be Allowed out of the sd. Quitrents for building one of the sd. Churches and Maintenance of One Minister and Assistant for the first Year, and of 150 pounds to be further Allowed yearly for the Carrying on that good Work on Her Maty's. Part, in Case the sd. Society may not be willing to make a further Allotment for this Purpose.--

Which is most humbly submitted.

8th Novr. 1712./

Sr.:

My Lord Treasurer having Received from the Rt. Honble. the Earle of Dartmouth the inclos'd Memoriall of what Collo. Spotswood Govr. of Virginia sent to the Bishop of London in relation to the Education of Indian Children in William and Mary Colledge, and the Conversion of the Neighbouring Nations; His Lorp. Commands me to transmitt the same to You, and desire you to peruse and consider the sevl. matters therein contained and let him have Yor. Opinion thereupon what You think proper for Her Majty. to do therein.

I am

Sr. etc.

Wm. Lowndes

Treasury Chambrs.

26th Novr. 1712.

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I have understood by Yor. Letter of the 13th inst. that the Bishop of London having proposed to my Lord Trear. the building of a Church in each of the Two Indian Towns in Virginia, and maintaining a Minister in each of Them, for which Purpose Her Majty. might be pleased to allow Two Hundred pounds per ann. out of Her Quitrents there, His Lordp. thereupon directed me to lay before him an Acct. of the sd. Quitrents AND TO WHAT USES they are or ought to be APPLIED. I take leave to mention that I laid before his Lorp, on the 8th Inst. a Report on the same Subject, and now humbly present a State of an Acct. of the sd. Quitrents together with a Copy of a Letter

from his Majesty. King Charles the Second to my Lord Howard of Effingham
then Govr. of Virginia relating to those Quitrents at the first Settlement.
of them, whereby it may appear to what Uses the sd. Quitrents are, or
were then intended to be applied. Which is in Obedience to his Lordps.
Commands.

Sr. etca.

W: B:

Whitehall 18th Decemr. 1712./
