

THE SMYTH OF NIBLEY PAPERS, 1613-1674.

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**Smyth Papers.** Virginia papers, 1613-1634. The manuscript coll'ns of John Smyth of Nibley Gloucestersh., the author of the "Lives of the Berkeleys," one of the original Adventurers in the promotion of plantations and settlements in the second Virginian colony. With some papers of later date added. F°.

The above title in modern handwriting is prefixed to a volume of forty-seven documents each indexed separately. For a brief account of the collection see N. Y. P. L. *Bulletin* (Mar. 1897) p. 68.

The abbreviations are A. L. S. for Autograph letter signed; A. L. for Autograph letter; L. S. for Letter signed; A. D. S. for Autograph document signed; A. D. for Autograph document; D. S. for Document signed.

**Document: Virginia Company.** Clapham, Apr. 28, 1613. Petition to Lord Chancellor Ellesmere, praying that Sr Henry Nevill, Sr Henry Carye, Sr Willm Cornewallis, Sr John Cutts, the younger, Sr George Hentley, Sr John Radcliffe, Sr Walter Chute, Sr Arthur Manwaringe, Sr John St. John, Sr Thomas freate, John Vaughan, Richard Monyngton, John Smithe, Arthur Ingram, William Hall, Edmond Allen, Sr Thomas Conynsby, Richard Hall, Sr William Boulestrode and Nicholas Wheeler be cited to appear and answer for their arrears to the Treasurer and Company of Adventurers and Planters of the City of London for the first Colony in Virginia. D. S., Chris Brooke. Evelyn [p]ro] def. 23 leaves, folded. F°.

Printed in *Brown's Genesis of the U. S.*, vol. 2 (Bost., 1890) pp. 623-631. The statement there made (page 630) that the names of Edmond Allen, Sr Thomas Conynsby, and Richard Hall do not appear the second time is erroneous, the one line containing their names having been omitted accidentally by the transcriber.

**Letter: Cave** (Bryan). Somers Islands [Bermudas], July 14, 1616. "To the Woll his worthis friend Mr Thorpe one of the Adventurers for the Somers Islands." Urging him to send supplies for his land; the shares secured by him in the new allotment are better than his earlier ones, and equal to any on the island; offers to oversee the work; their efforts to get rid of the rats that infest the island. A postscript from the Governor, Daniel Tucker, endorses all these statements and urges Thorpe to send provisions for two or three men. A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with address. F°.

**Document: Smyth (John), of Nibley.** Thirty-eight papers relating to the settlement of Virginia, 1609 to 1622, collected by John Smyth, and transcribed by various hands into one volume; with table of contents, partly in the handwriting of John Smyth. 154 pp. F°.

In detail they are as follows:  
(1) Patent for the Bermudas, or Somers islands, June 29, 1615, pp. 1-16. Printed in *Lefroy's Bermudas*, vol. 1 (London, 1877) p. 83.  
(2) Patent for Virginia, Mar. 12, 1612/3, pp. 25-34. Printed in *Stith's Virginia*, App. 3, p. 23, and in *Hening's Statutes*, vol. 1 (N. Y., 1823) p. 98.

- (3) Patent for Virginia, May 23, 1609, pp. 37-51. Printed in *Stith's Virginia*, App. 2, p. 8, and in *Hening's Statutes*, vol. 1 (N. Y., 1823) p. 80.
- (4) Indenture between Sr Willm Throk'm'ton and the Treasurer and Company of Adventurers of the City of London for the first Colony in Virginia, Feb. 3, 1618/9, pp. 53-58.
- (5) Commission to Captain John Woodleeffe from Sir William Throk'm'ton, Richard Berkeley, George Thorpe, and John Smyth of Nibley, as governor of the town of Barkly in Virginia, Sept. 4, 1619, pp. 59-60.
- (6) Instructions to Captain John Woodleeffe from the four adventurers, Sept. 4, 1619, pp. 61-63.
- (7) Agreement between Captain John Woodleeffe and the four adventurers, Sept. 4, 1619, pp. 64-70.
- (8) Remembrances for Captain Woodleeffe against the return of the ship, Sept., 1619, pp. 71-72.
- (9) A list of the men sent to Virginia under Captain Woodleeffe, Sept., 1619, pp. 73-75.
- (10) Certificate of John Swye, Mayor of Bristol, relating to the men shipped in the Margaret under Captain Woodleeffe, Sept. 15, 1619, p. 76.
- (11) Letter from Sir William Throk'm'ton and his three associates to Sir George Yardley, Bristol, Sept. 9, 1619, p. 77.
- (12) Letter from Sir Edwin Sandys to Sir George Yardley, London, Aug. 3, 1619, p. 78.
- (13) Payment for things bought in London by Mr Thorpe in July, 1619, p. 79.
- (14) Payment for things bought at Bristol and in the country in Aug. and Sept., 1619, pp. 80-86.
- (15) Captain Woodleeffe's bill, Sept., 1619, p. 87.
- (16) Other expenses incurred in fitting out the Margaret, Sept., 1619, pp. 88-93.
- (17) Charter party between Edward Williams of Bristol and John Woodleeffe for the hire of the Margaret, Bristol, Aug. 18, 1619, pp. 94-96.
- (18) Certificate of Sir George Yardley to the arrival in Virginia of the Margaret, Dec. 4, 1619, p. 97.
- (19) Charges incurred in obtaining new supplies for the plantation in February, 1619/20; sent with George Thorpe in the London Merchant, pp. 98-99.
- (20) Indenture assigning Sir William Throk'm'ton's share to William Tracy, May 7, 1620, pp. 100-102.
- (21) Ordinances and constitutions, partly collected from the charters, and partly decreed by the Council and Company of Virginia, for the better governing of the affairs of the colony, 1619 and 1620, pp. 103-122.
- (22) Commission from the Treasurer, Council, and Company for Virginia to William Tracy for a voyage to Virginia, July 12, 1620, p. 123.
- (23) Revocation of the commission to Captain Woodleeffe, Aug. 28, 1620, p. 124.
- (24) Commission to George Thorpe and William Tracy as governors of the plantation in Virginia, Aug. 28, 1620, pp. 125-126.
- (25) Quadripartite articles of agreement between Richard Berkeley, George Thorpe, William Tracy, and John Smyth of Nibley, Aug. 28, 1620, pp. 127-129.
- (26) Letter of general advice and instruction sent from Richard Berkeley and John Smyth by William Tracy, to George Thorpe, Sept. 10, 1620, pp. 129-131.
- (27) Agreement between Richard Berkeley, George Thorpe, William Tracy, and John Smyth, of Nibley, to supply Richard Bisaker and wife, and Richard Hopkins with land for cultivation, in Virginia, Sept. 1, 1620, pp. 132-133.
- (28) Agreement between Robert Pawlet and Richard Berkeley, George Thorpe, William Tracy, and John Smyth, of Nibley, to go to Virginia as preacher, physician and surgeon, Sept. 15, 1620, p. 133.
- (29) Charter party with William Ewins for the ship The Supply, in which Tracy went to Virginia, Aug. 31, 1620, pp. 134-136.
- (30) Certificate of Thomas Parker, Mayor of Bristol, to the sailing of The Supply and its passengers, Sept. 18, 1620, p. 137.
- (31) List of men sent in The Supply, Sept., 1620, pp. 137-139.
- (32) Account of expenses of the last voyage, from Sept. 16, 1619, to Sept. 16, 1620, pp. 140-141.

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(33) Account with Edward Williams for hire of the first ship, and the wages of Toby Felgate, pilot in the first voyage, Sept., 1620, p. 147.

(34) Account for fitting out The Supply, Sept. 1620, pp. 143-150.

(35) Account of money expended since William Tracie's departure, Sept. 18, 1620, until Michaelmas, 1622, pp. 151-152.

(36) Account of the charge of the four servants sent into Virginia in The Furtherance, May, 1622, p. 153.

(37) List of servants in Virginia, Aug. 3, 1622, containing about twenty names, in the handwriting of John Smyth, p. 154.

(38) Account of a small supply sent to Virginia in the Bonny Bess, Apr., 1623, in the handwriting of John Smyth, p. 155.

**Letter: Throckmorton (Sir William) and others.** London, Feb 18, 1619. To Sir George Yeardley, Virginia. Inclosing a copy of the patent for their Virginia colony; one-fifth share secured for him; their ship was delayed by adverse winds, but next season they will send fifty men; they ask what provisions will be necessary; he is to pay for his share by merchandise. The names of Wm Throgmton, Ric Berkeley, Geo. Thorpe, John Smyth are signed in the handwriting of John Smyth. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by Smyth: "Copy of a Pre to Sr Geo. Yardly in febr. 1618. 10 virgin from London." F°. SMYTH 4

**Letter: Berkeley (Richard).** Stoke, Apr. 13, 1619. "To my worthy good friend Mr John Smyth at Nibley." A kinsman [William Chester], a worthy man, wishes to join them in their Virginia investment; he is willing to undertake the command of the men there; a surgeon of Bristol also offers himself; Berkeley has written to Throckmorton and Thorpe about them, and now waits the advice of the associates to deal with the offers. A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth: "Mr Berkeley's Pre about Mr Chester to be genall [general?]." F°. SMYTH 5

**Letter: Throckmorton (Sir William).** Clow-croft [Gloucestershire], Apr. 10, 1619. "To my approved good friend John Smith esq. at nibley Speed these." Like Smyth he intends to go to London next week; Thorpe's delay in answering his letter about their forest business; arrangements as to his shares of money and of men for Virginia; reasons for his approval of Chester as overseer in Virginia. A. L. S. With seal affixed. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth: "Sr Wm Throgmtons lre about Mr Wm Chester to be our cheefe. Apr. 1619." On the same page are memoranda by Smyth concerning Mr Effington, Mr Woodleeffe, Mr Chester, tools, etc. F°. SMYTH 6

**Letter: Thorpe (George).** [London?] July 2, 1619. "To the Ri. worth my verie Louinge friend John Smithe Esquire give these att Nybley." Is waiting for other things to be sent down; has given orders that the amount necessary to make up his subscription towards the expenses of the voyage be paid; begs him to convince Sr Willm Throckmton, if the latter seems discontented with him, that he will give whatever security Throckmorton may wish. A. L. S. With seal affixed. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement. F°. SMYTH 7

**Letter: Thorpe (George).** [London?] July 2, 1619. "To the worth my verie Louinge friend John Smithe Esquire give these." Expresses his sorrow at Partridge's misbehaviour; hopes that when he returns with the horses he has been sent for, they may reduce him to submission; offers to

speake with Lady Dale concerning her promise to Smyth. A. L. S. With seal affixed. 1 page. F°. SMYTH 8

**Document: Throckmorton (Sir William), and others.** [London?] Sept. 4, 1619. Agreement between Sr Willm Throkmtm, Richard Berkeley, George Thorpe, John Smyth, and John Woodleeffe; the plantation to be called Berkeley Hundred; expenses and profits; settlement of disputed points; status of transported servants; Woodleeffe to serve them alone; similar powers are to be given to Willm Chester; conditions by which Woodleeffe may be admitted in place of Sr George Yardley, and by which he may secure a third part of Sr Willm Throckmton's share; amount assessed each of the Adventurers. 3 1/2 leaves, folded. Endorsed by John Smyth: "Covenante & agremente mutually amongst ourselves. 1619. 17. Jac." F°. SMYTH 9

**Document: Throckmorton (Sir William), and others.** [London?] Sept. 4, 1619. Instructions to Captaine John Woodleeffe for the government of the town and hundred of Barkly; days of thanksgiving; observation of the Sabbath and of the rites and holidays of the Church of England; punishment for absence from daily prayers; choice of site; the houses to be built; palisades; names and duties of the assistants; a guard to be set each night; provision for government if Woodleeffe or Chester die. 2 leaves, folded. Endorsed by John Smyth: "Copy of Instructions geven to Captayne Woodleeffe. 4. Sept. 1619. 17. Jac." F°. SMYTH 10

**Document: Throckmorton (Sir William), and others.** [London?] Sept. 7, 1619. Indenture between the four Adventurers and Robert Coopy of North Nibley. D. S., Ry Berkeley, Geo. Thorpe, John Smythe. With seals of the signers affixed. Endorsed by John Smyth: "Rob: Coopy he first to ye voyage:--by assent." 1 page. F°. SMYTH 11

**Document: Thorpe (George) and others.** [London?] Sept. 30, 1619. Indenture between George Thorpe, and Robert Oldisworth and John Smyth, assigning to the two latter in consideration of £50, one-fourth of Thorpe's one-fifth part of the profits from the Virginia enterprise, and of any lands granted the Adventurers in the future; the two latter are to bear a like proportion of assessments made for losses. 3 leaves, folded, and leaf 4 with endorsement by John Smyth: "30. Septembr. 1619. A copie of the Indenture of Mr Thorpes grant of a iiii<sup>th</sup> pte of his adventure y<sup>e</sup> moveth into Virginia made to Robt Oldisworth & John Smyth." F°. SMYTH 12

**Document: Yate (Ferdinando).** [Barkley Hundred, Va.? Jan.? 1619] Account of his voyage to Virginia in the Margaret. Setting sail from Bristol, September 16, 1619, they reached Kecketan [Hampton] November 30. Endorsed by John Smyth: "The voyage written by Ferdinando Yate to Virginia 1619." 13 pp. 4". F°. SMYTH 13

Printed in the N. Y. P. L. Bulletin (Mar. 1897) pp. 68-72.

**Letter: Yeardley (Sir George).** James Citty, [Va.,] Jan. 10, 1619. [To John Smyth of Nibley.] 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by Smyth: "Sr geo. yeardles lre 10 Jan: 1619; of the Place assigned for our Berkely: And y<sup>e</sup> it is not ye lord de la. wares land. And y<sup>e</sup> he refuseth to loyne with vs." F°. SMYTH 14

Printed in the N. Y. P. L. Bulletin (Mar. 1897) p. 72.

*Letter: Smyth (John), of Nibley.* [Nibley?] June 1, 1620. "To Richard Berkeley. No hope of getting paid the shares assigned Sr Geo: Yardly or Mr Woodleefe; amount due from each of the four Adventurers; his discontent with Woodleefe; wonders at the lack of private intelligence from Virginia; preparations of [William] Tracy in London for the next voyage; chides him for lack of confidence. Endorsed by John Smyth: "Copy of my lr to Mr Berkely. i. June. 1620 about our accompts for the virginia ship then returned." 2 pp. F°. SMYTH 15

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Gloucestershire?] Apr. 25, 1620. "To my worthi frind Mr John Smith this. nibli." Expresses his gratification at the good news from Virginia; he will consent to whatever Smyth and Barkli [Richard Berkeley] agree upon; he may probably go up to London with the latter; there they will have time enough to determine all; he has at least twenty men promised him and is sure of the greater part; they may leave some over until the next shipment. A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth. 4°. SMYTH 16

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Gloucestershire?] June, 1620. "To my asured frind Mr John Smith at ye blue lion in Chanseri lane this." Speaks of the payments toward his share in the venture; makes suggestions about the voyage and supplies. A. L. S. 2 pp. and 1 leaf, with endorsement by John Smyth. "Mr Tracyes Pre about his dispatch into Virginia. June 1620. 18. Jac. sent mee to London." 4°. SMYTH 17

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Gloucestershire?] June, 1620] "To my frind William Arthard or his debiti [deputy] at Mr Gill his house." Has sent £70, thus making the sum total paid his master for Tracy's share bought from Sr William Throckmorton £207. A. L. S. Endorsed in the handwriting of John Smyth: "207 li paid to mee by Mr Tracy. June 1620." Narrow strip. SMYTH 18

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Gloucestershire?] June, 1620.] "To my asured louing frind Mr John Smith at ye blew lion in Chanseri lane this." Sr Edwin Sands [Sandys] has promised him kine at the same price as the Company paid; begs Smyth to ask Sandys for letters to the governor for him; a seat in the Council has been promised him; he has silkworms, and Lady Dale has promised to lend kine. A. L. S. Narrow strip. SMYTH 19

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Bristol?] July 5, 1620. "To my asured worthy good frind Mr John Smith this." Urges him to get the shipping from London, or any other place; blames Barkli for putting him in his present difficulties; enumerates in detail the household he will take with him. A. L. S. Endorsed. 1 page. F°. SMYTH 20

*Letter: Tracy (William).* Bristol, July 14, 1620. "To I hope mi frind yt will not leave me Mr John Smith this." Speaks of the grief of his wife on account of their delay at Bristol; begs that they may get off soon; offers to invest some two hundred and odd pounds if it will help on the venture. A. L. S. 1 page. 4°. SMYTH 21

*Letter: Tracy (William).* Bristol, July 14, 1620. "To my worth good frind Mr John Smith this." Asking for speedy assistance so that they may get off.

A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth: "... 14 July 1620 by Toby felgate." 4°. SMYTH 22

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Bristol.] Aug. 2, 1620. "To my worthi good frind Mr John Smith of nibley this." Expressing his anxiety to get away, and calling on Smyth to aid him; each day he stays weakens his already too weak purse. A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth. 4°. SMYTH 23

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Gloucestershire?] Aug. 9, 1620. "To worthi good frind Mr John Smith geue [give] this. eas[e] yo frind opresed with bisnes & know not how to wad[e] throw w<sup>th</sup>out yo." Begs that he be spared from Bristol as long as possible; he intends to get there a fortnight before the ship is ready, but will make other arrangements if Smyth so desire; urges him to be careful about trusting Mr felgat [Toby Felgate, the pilot]; reiterates his dependence on Smyth and his determination to be faithful to him. A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth. 4°. SMYTH 24

*Letter: Tracy (William).* Bristol, Sept. 1, 1620. "To my asured frind Mr John Smith this." His gratification at hearing of Smyth's recovery from illness; trusts he will soon come to Bristol, when he will see how neglect has detained them twelve days, at least. A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth. Accompanying this is a fragment undated, unsigned, unaddressed, but in the handwriting of William Tracy, and probably inclosed in this letter, which speaks of the number of men and women he will take with him; the greater usefulness of men; the lack of room on board ship. 4°. SMYTH 25

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Bristol.] Sept. 15, 1620. "To my asured frind Mr John Smith this at ye whit lion." Asks that any papers to be sealed by him be sent by George Ceve or some one else, for the "sercher" has asked him for a discharge from the Custom House; asks that Smyth have patience and he will repay him for all his troubles, twice over. A. L. S. Endorsed by Smyth. 1 page. 4°. SMYTH 26

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Bristol.] Sept. 24, 1620. "To my asured good friend Mr John Smith this." Speaks of the persons he had to refuse passage to; suggests that they be sent by the next ship; of these he has promised Richard Smith £3; the rest he leaves to Smyth's discretion; crowded condition of the ship; kindness of the searcher, Mr Haskins; asks advice about his suit. A. L. S. 2 pp. on 2 ll. 4°. SMYTH 27

On the letter are written a receipt signed by Richard Smith for £3 ros. from John Smyth; and one, signed Robert Bysaker, his mark, for 4os.

*Letter: Tracy (William).* [Crookam Hill.] Sept. 25, 1620. "To my asured frind Mr John Smith this." They are ready for sailing and now wait only on the wind. A. L. S. With seal affixed. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth. 4°. SMYTH 28

*Letter: Bridges (John).* Castlett [Eng?]. Sept. 23, 1620. "To my mutch respected frind, John Smith esq, at nibley be these deliuered." Expresses his pleasure at hearing that Tracy had been set at liberty through Sir Will Throckmorton and Smyth; asks how to remove his case [probably

a suit arising from difficulties referred to in Wm. Tracy's letters] into the Chancery courts; if Smyth is willing to take it up Bridges will bear all expenses; his sorrow at the wrong done Tracy by that base extortioner Winter. A. L. S. With seal affixed. 1/2 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth. F°. SMYTH 29

**Document: Russell (Mr.).** [London?] July, 1620. Suggestions for making artificial wine in Virginia; estimates of the amount necessary, and of the cost of production; good qualities of the proposed drink; demands of the proposer if his suggestions are accepted. At the bottom of the page Smyth has written: "Agreed w[i]th some little varyacon w[i]th Mr Russell: the Acumunist (?) & chumist. Sr John Brooke. 2 Apr. 1621 told mee that of his c't [correct?] knowledge, this wine was made of sassaphras, & licoras boyled in water: he had g[ot]t ye drynke." Endorsed. 1 page. F°. SMYTH 30

**Document: Berkeley (Richard) and others.** [London?] Aug. 28, 1620. Commission from Richard Berkeley and John Smyth appointing George Thorpe and William Tracy governors of their Virginia colony, and giving them power to trade for the joint profit of the four. Transcript; attested by Robert Maunday. Endorsed by John Smyth. 3 leaves, folded. F°. SMYTH 31

**Document: Smyth (John), of Nibley.** [Nibley?] Sept. 20, 1620. Account of expenses for the Virginia plantation. A. D. Endorsed: "Copy of the account I sent Mr Thorpe in to virginia, sept. 20, 1620 & for mony since recd & pd." 1 page. 4°. SMYTH 32

**Letter: Thorpe (George).** Southampton Hundred, [Va.] Dec. 19, 1620. "To the Rt worth my veric Louinge friend John Smith Esquier att North Nibley give these." Trial of Captaine Argoll; rumors as to unhealthfulness of Virginia are unfounded; his own good health; the new drink made out of Indian corn; urges him to send more cattle; asks him to look after his wife, to whom he has written to come to Virginia. A. L. S. 2 pp. and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth: "Mr Thorps lre. 19. Dec. 1620. 18. Jac. brought by Thomas P[ar]tridge." F°. SMYTH 33

**Document: Yeardley (Sir George).** [Jamestown, Va.,] Jan. 1621. Certificate to the Council and Company for the first southern colony of Virginia, of the arrival at Berkeley on January 29, 1621, of the fifty persons whose names are given on the document. D. S., George Yeardley; countersigned by Jo: Pory, Secretary. With seal affixed. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement. F°. SMYTH 34

**Document: Thorpe (George).** [Barkly Hundred, Va.?] Mar. 24, 1621. "A note for Mr felgate to receave his fraight by." D. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth: "A note from Mr Thorpe what fraight Toby felgate brought with him from virginia, 1621." 4°. SMYTH 35

**Document: Ferrar (Nicholas).** [London,] Dec., 1621. Receipt from John Smyth of Nibley, of £6 13s. 4d. subscription to the fur trade. D. S. Followed on the same page by a receipt for £10 subscription to the expenses of ship-building. D. S. Endorsed by Smyth: Mr nicholas farrers receipt of

20. nobles for the trade of furs: And 10<sup>l</sup> for carpenters. Dec. 1621." 1 page. F°. SMYTH 36

**Letter: Arundle (Mr.).** [Virginia, Jan., 1621.] To John Smyth, of Nibley. Fragment of a letter speaking of the Chickahominy river, of their cattle, and of the favorable prospect the country offers to a man willing to work; begs for participation from every one zealous for the propagation of the gospel. Endorsed by Smyth: "Mr Arundles lre to me, Jan. 1621. in praise of virginia." 1 page. 4°. SMYTH 37

The writer is perhaps the Peter Arondelle or Erondelle referred to in Brown's *Genesis of the U. S.*, vol. 2 (Hist. 1840) p. 887.

**Document: Virginia, Colony.**—Quarter Court. [Jamestown,] Mar. 7, 1621—Mar. 7, 1621. Transcripts by Benjamin Harryson of entries from the court records relating to the debts of George Thorpe. Endorsed in the handwriting of John Smyth: "Mr Thorps debts in Virgynia." 3 pp. F°. SMYTH 38

**Document: Stratford (John).** [Virginia,] Oct. 20, 1621. Memoranda of four hogshheads of tobacco sold to him. 1/2 page. Below it appears the following in Smyth's handwriting: "Mr Thodawson note for all my tobacco sold by him, for mee with much labor at this poare rate." Endorsed by Smyth: "Tobacco sold to Mr John Stratford, 1621." F°. SMYTH 39

**Document: Milton (Richard).** [Barkly Hundred? 1630?] Memorandum relating to the cattle belonging to [John] Smith, of Nibley, and Richard Barkly on Barkeley hundred. Five lines followed by notes in Smyth's handwriting on the cattle and the plantation. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth: "Richard Myltons owne Note of the Cattell in his Custody in Virginia belonging to Mr John Smythe & others," and "This was brought over by Mr Farrar one of the Councell there, and delyvered by him here in England to Tho: Combe in Midsonr Terme 1631." F°. SMYTH 40

**Letter: Combe (Thomas).** From Mr flowches house in Chancery Lane, Whitmonday, 1632. "To the woth: his very good friend John Smythe Esqr at his House at North Nibley this be d[el]ivere[d]." Sends letters from Virginia relating to their cattle and plantation; points out that the Governor is not so much their friend as he professes to be; his advice with regard to the increased number of servants asked for by John Gibbes; comments on the many new commodities from Virginia; urges him to consider with Mr Berkeley the reviving of their plantation. A. L. S. With seal affixed. 2 pp. and 1 leaf with endorsement by John Smyth. F°. SMYTH 41

**Letter: Berkeley (Richard).** Rendi [Eng. ?], Aug. 3, 1633. "To my worthy & kind friend Mr John Smyth at Nibley." Sends him a book in which to set down the amount of his subscription to their new venture. In a postscript he suggests that any friends of Smyth's who may wish to join them will be welcome. A. L. S. With seal affixed. 1 page and 1 leaf on which Smyth has written the names of six subscribers and the amount subscribed by each. F°. SMYTH 42

**Document: Thorpe (George).** [Barkly Hundred?] Apr. 10, 1634. Inventory of his estate, by Samuel Sharpe, Richard Bigge, and Thomas

Palmer at 1323½ lbs. of tobacco; with memoranda of goods not valued nor appraised. Transcript; attested by Benj Harryson. 4 pp. F°. SMYTH 43

*Letter: Thorpe* (William). Bristol, Aug. 14, 1634. To Mr. Tayler. Asking him to make certain inquiries about the assets in Virginia of his father, George Thorpe. A. L. S. 1 page and 1 leaf with endorsement: "Mr Thorp his [ ] into Virginia", and "notes of virgygia brought by Mr Taylor." F°. SMYTH 44

*Letter: Gate* (Tim[othy]). Ockle [Eng. ?], Sept. 22 [1620?] "To my worthie good cosyn Mr Will'm Tracy att Bristol these." Speaks of his recent purchase at Beckford of all of Mr Wake-man's part of tobacco; his sorrow at Tracy's troubles; assures him that Robert Bridges vows he would do anything in his power to free him from arrest; offers to speak to any friends he may desire him to. A. L. S. Endorsed: by John Smyth. "Mr Gates I're to Mr Wyntour." 3 pp. S°. SMYTH 45

*Letter: Smith* (Richard). Narragansett, [R.I.], Oct. 22, 1669. "This for his much respected unkeil

Mr William Barton att his howse in Morton neck Thorinbury in Glosestersheer. deliuer this seled to Cristaphor flowler to be Conveyd as above di[rected] with Care." Makes inquiries about his health; he himself intends to close his business as soon as possible and return to England; asks about sundry friends and wishes to be remembered to them. A. L. S. Endorsed: "Richard Smyth I're out of new england to Mr Barton, 22 Oct. 1669." 1 page. F°. SMYTH 46

*Letter: Smith* (Richard). Narragansett, [R.I.], Dec. 12, 1674. "for the Worshipfull John Smith [r.] Esqr att his house in Nibley in the County of Glosester." Thanks him for his efforts to maintain his interests in England during his absence; he has lost much in the late war; intends to return to England in the following spring; asks his further assistance in keeping that small matter he has in England out of the hands of rogues and knaves. In a postscript he recommends to him the bearer, William Haris. A. L. S. With seal affixed. Endorsed: "... Mr Smith yt he will come for england in ye springe" 1 page. F°. SMYTH 47

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