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## Friends of the Rhode Island Meeting, Daniel Gould, Matthew Gould and John Easton, Phineas Pemberton, August 3, 1700

Daniel Gould

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Rhode Island y<sup>e</sup> 23 of y<sup>e</sup> 1700

Phineas Pemberton friend after salutation of our deare love to the  
 & thy mother in law & thy wife this is to acquaint thee in answer to thy letter  
 dated y<sup>e</sup> 27 of y<sup>e</sup> mo 1700 wher in we understand things are not cleared up  
 to thy understanding or satisfaction for so by thy lines to us it doth appear being  
 added at our mens meeting & upon enquiry doo find y<sup>e</sup> cause of the manner wher  
 in y<sup>e</sup> time of it our government was about to send amongst or deports home to  
 England about y<sup>e</sup> collony business & Robert Hodgson was in nomination wth John  
 Green of warwick in y<sup>e</sup> promises & they was resolution by friends & others to see what  
 moneys could be raised that way. But y<sup>e</sup> Government finding that y<sup>e</sup> some cold  
 do would not amount to enough to send two, so they made keys of y<sup>e</sup> Green  
 of warwick only to send on y<sup>e</sup> collony account. Then Robert Hodgson  
 acquaint friends that for sundry reasons he had desires to goe to England to  
 see it without friends or like. & said if friends would let him have thirty pounds  
 money here he would doe what he could ~~doe~~ for them in England that  
 which was principally to carry letters & deliver it to friends in England that  
 William Penn & friends there would be pleased to interceed with y<sup>e</sup> King of  
 James second as on friends behalf here if our Charter should be subjected  
 since it was reported that King was about to subject all Charters, & this  
 as is said of carrying letters & what as above was y<sup>e</sup> substance he had in charge  
 so so Robert Hodgson procured y<sup>e</sup> thirty pounds money of friends in full with  
 a caution that he should respect not more money of friends as only account  
 of my message of things to England, the which do Robert Complied with  
 & seemed well satisfied in y<sup>e</sup> reception of y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> for he was tod before  
 he went that he should doe not more for friends then he could doe for  
 that money, & it was esteemed what he might doe (or expected he should  
 doe) for friends would not amount to that money, but was rather to satisfy  
 & in favour of Robert than any advantage to friends he having before time  
 been something in contrary under another circumstance & put by  
 now it seems some time after he got to England he had hindrances by sick  
 ness & other disappointments wh put him to charge, so while after he  
 returned home he acquainted friends that he had spent more money then what  
 he procured of friends, so he demanded more money of friends of y<sup>e</sup> meeting  
 which y<sup>e</sup> meeting refused as added, but its like some friends might say they  
 were willing to contribute something gracious, but Robert refused to accept  
 any thing so, but demanded it as debt wh he had no reason to doe: & so  
 friends refused on that account as before & this is y<sup>e</sup> substance of y<sup>e</sup> matter  
 Now Tobias Demack can give thee amore particular Relation of things who was at  
 our mens meeting wher thing was discover both former & later, to whom we refer  
 And as to thy Brother Robert Hodgson he was here him self. yet as before desired  
 no satisfaction neither for him self nor his wife nor mother as we know of  
 and as to his estate or effects the speaks of that was left here: it is as we under  
 stand all procured & lend home wth out any performance of his y<sup>e</sup> subscription  
 we know not that was our fond of that but that the may understand things  
 as they shoud, we know, but in judgement both party should be heard before any question  
 now wher as the writes concerning thy mother about her satisfaction whom we think  
 hath no cause to complain having never yet verbally nor in show lines find  
 her self to see desired satisfaction of us: wh if she had or doth Comply wth either  
 we know not but we might have, or may answer for request according to thy mind  
 we did accomodate thy wife sister may, but doo account more proper & know abas both  
 for meetings & persons concerned directly them selves to request in all such y<sup>e</sup> like

signed for & m  
 behalf of our  
 Gd meeting

Dan Gould  
 Walter Clark  
 John Boston

Daniel Gould & others  
Rhode Island

5 mo 23. 1700.

to

Phineas Pemberton  
Bucks.

Thos  
To show I do not  
forget Phineas Pemberton  
near y<sup>e</sup> fols in y<sup>e</sup> province  
of Philadelphia alias  
pennsylvania Thos