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

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Rhode Island y^e 23 of y^e 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^e 27 of y^e 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^e cause of the manner wher
 in y^e time of it our government was about to send amongst or deports home to
 England about y^e collony business & Robert Hodgson was in nomination wth John
 Green of warwick in y^e promises & they was resolution by friends & others to see what
 moneys could be raised that way. But y^e Government finding that y^e some cold
 do would not amount to enough to send two, so they made Keys of y^e Green
 of warick only to send on y^e collony account. Then Robert Hodgson
 acquaint friends that for sundry reasons he had desires to goe to England to
 see it without friends wth him. & said if friends would let him have thirty pounds
 money here he would doe what he could doe ~~for them in England~~ for them in England
 which was principally to carry a letter & deliver it to friends in England that
 William Penn & friends there would be pleased to interceed with y^e 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 a letter & what as above was y^e substance he had in charge
 so so Robert Hodgson procured y^e thirty pounds money of friends in full with
 a Certificate that he should respect no more money of friends as only receipt
 of my message of things to England, the which do Robert Complied with
 & seemed well satisfied in y^e reception of y^e letter for he was told before
 he went that he should doe no 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 charge 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^e meeting
 which y^e 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^e substance of y^e matter
 Now Tobias Demach can give thee amore particular Relation of things who was at
 our mens meeting wher things were 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 & carried home wth out any performance of his y^e subscription
 & we do not see that was our fond of that but that the may understand things
 as they sh^d judge we should, 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 above 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 y^e know aboves both
 for meetings & persons concerned directly them selves to request in all such y^e like

signed for & m
 behalf of our
 G^d meeting

Dan Gould
 Walter Clark
 John Boston

Daniel Gould & others
Rhode Island

5 mo 23. 1700.

to

Phineas Pemberton
Bucks.

Shes
To show I do not
forget Phineas Pemberton
near y^e fols in y^e province
of Philadelphia alias
pennsylvania shes