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The Vestry Book
OF
Blisland (Blissland) Parish

THE
VESTRY BOOK

OF

BLISLAND (BLISSLAND) PARISH

NEW KENT AND JAMES CITY COUNTIES,
VIRGINIA

1721-1786

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Prefatory Note

During the colonial period, not only was the Established Church, or Church of England, supreme in the religious life of Virginia but its parishes were also local governmental institutions which affected very closely the people in their secular affairs. Parish records are therefore, in a true sense, official, important and revealing. Extant vestry books and registers supplement the archives of local governments when they do not indeed supply the only existing records. For these reasons the Library Board has published from time to time certain original parish books, this being the fourth. It is hoped that this work may be continued for, although most of these original records have been lost or destroyed, there are still a number of them in existence, comparatively few of which have been published.

During almost the entire period covered by this vestry book (1721-1786) Blisland Parish was partly in the present New Kent County and partly in the present James City County, the records of both of which, prior to 1865, have been destroyed. This volume and two of those previously published by the Library Board ("The Vestry Book of Stratton Major Parish, King and Queen County, Virginia, 1729-1783" (1931) and "The Vestry Book of Petsworth Parish, Gloucester County, Virginia, 1677-1793" (1933)) supply a record for a contiguous area of early Virginia whose local archives have been lost. This vestry book, therefore, enables us further to rescue from oblivion much of the life, customs and names of those who helped to create Virginia.

Dr. Churchill Gibson Chamberlayne, who has prepared the present volume, is the editor of the two other publications mentioned above. He had previously published at his own expense three other volumes of parish records. Actuated by love for his church and state, he has undertaken

this exacting work without remuneration; qualified by scholarship and experience, he has thus made valuable contributions to the printed documents of Virginia. This volume maintains his high standards of editorship and historical research. Dr. Chamberlayne has the gratitude of the Library Board for this work as he will have that of the people of Virginia.

WILMER L. HALL,
State Librarian.

Richmond, May 8, 1935.

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Introduction

The manuscript volume hereinafter reproduced in print embodies the earliest consecutive records of Blisland (or Blissland) Parish, New Kent and James City counties, Virginia, known to be in existence. Doubtless there once were manuscript records of Blisland Parish antedating those here given to the public, but even before Bishop Meade's day all trace of them must have been lost, for the Bishop makes no reference to them. Indeed, when his *Old Churches, Ministers and Families of Virginia* was first published, in part and in tentative form in *The Protestant Episcopal Review, and Church Register* (beginning with the issue for April, 1855) and the *Southern Churchman* (beginning with the issue for April 26, 1855), Bishop Meade was apparently unaware of the existence of any parish record of Blisland; nor evidently did he learn that there was such a record until after the first volume of the *Old Churches* (1857) was in print, for on page 388 of that volume he says, referring to Blisland Parish, "No vestry-book remains to tells its history." However, before the second volume of the work was released from the press, a vestry-book of Blisland Parish came to light, and the Bishop refers to it in a note on the last page of his book.¹ The present publication now for the first time makes accessible to students of Colonial Virginia history these old and for many years lost and forgotten records of Blisland Parish.

The manuscript Vestry Book is a folio, 14 $\frac{1}{8}$ by 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches in size, consisting of 77 leaves (154 pages) of heavy, unruled, laid paper, the water marks being two in number: The Roman numeral IV ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch by 1 inch); and a fleur-de-lis on a shield, surmounted by a crown, the whole over the monogram **WR** (5 $\frac{5}{8}$ inches by 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches). Whether

¹ Meade, *Old Churches, Ministers and Families of Virginia*, Vol. II, page 496.

or not the volume ever contained more leaves than at present, the editor does not know, but he thinks not; certainly no leaves are missing at the back, and there is little or no indication that any have been torn out in front. The record as it now stands covers the period from the autumn of 1721 to October 11, 1786, or 65 years. This old manuscript volume is one of twenty-five or more Colonial Virginia parish record books belonging to the Protestant Episcopal Church in Virginia, which were formerly kept in the Library of the Theological Seminary at Alexandria, and are now in the custody of the Virginia State Library, in Richmond.

With regard to the origin of the name Blisland given to this old Colonial Virginia parish, the present editor is unhappily entirely ignorant. Under the circumstances, therefore, he can do no better than quote the opinion of the late Hon. Hugh Blair Grigsby, of Norfolk, as given to Bishop Meade in 1857. Mr. Grigsby wrote: "Blisland.—This is a common name in England, and is synonymous with 'happy land'. It is evidently applied from some local incident long lost, or from some place in England connected with some of its parishioners. The word was originally Bliss-land."²

1. ESTABLISHMENT AND TERRITORIAL CHANGES

While the only manuscript vestry book of Blisland Parish known to be in existence begins in the year 1721, the parish itself can be traced back to a date much earlier, namely, to the year 1653, at which period the territory involved was included in York County.³ Of course, in the absence of positive proof to the contrary, it may be that the parish was established some years prior to 1653; however, all the evidence on the subject discovered by the present editor, while

² Meade, *Old Churches*, Vol. II, page 426.

³ See page xi.

entirely negative in character, points, as will be seen, to the three and a half months between July 1, 1653, and October 13, 1653, as the period within which Blisland Parish was established.

That Blisland Parish was established prior to October 13, 1653, is evidenced by the following land patent issued on that date:

“To all &c Whereas &c Now Know Yee, That I y^e said Richard Bennet Esq. &c Give and Grant unto Thomas Dunketon fifty acres of land scituated in York County, in Blisland parish, Beginning from Mr. Barnehouse his mark'd maple tree in matchemeed swamp running up East South East by a branch of the said Swamp to y^e top of y^e hill, thence west by north to y^e land of Mr. Barnehouse, & north north East to y^e place where It began, bounded by mark'd trees on all sides; The said land being due unto y^e said Thomas Dunketon by and for y^e transportation of one ~~Person~~ &c To have and to hold &c Yeilding & Paying &c w:^{ch} payment &c Dated y^e 13:th of October 1653.”⁴

It might of course be objected that one land patent, itself a copy made in 1694, or later, of the original record (and so containing possibly a copyist's error as to the name Blisland Parish), is insufficient evidence of the antiquity of the parish. However, there is additional evidence practically to the same effect in the same book, namely the following land patent, which bears a date less than eight months later than that of the patent above:

“To all &c Whereas &c Now Know Yee That I y^e said Richard Bennet Esq &c Give & Grant unto John Pouncey fower hundred and fifty acres of land scituated on y^e south side of y^e freshes of Yorke river, in y^e parish of Blisland

⁴ Virginia Land Office, *Patent Book* No. 3, page 5.

between Pounceys Creek & Tanks Creeke & joining to y^e land of y^e said Pouncey by and for y^e transportation of nine persons into this Colony & To have and to hold &c Yeilding & Paying &c w:th payment is to be made &c Provided &c Dated y^e 7:th of June 1654.”⁵

It may be noted here in passing that in the Patent Books in the Virginia Land Office there are to be found copies of five land patents (the two immediately above and three others) giving the location of the lands as in Blisland Parish and dated respectively Oct. 13, 1653, June 7, 1654, Oct. 12, 1657, Oct. 30, 1657, and Nov. 18, 1663.

So much for the positive evidence that Blisland Parish was in existence on October 13, 1653. The evidence that the parish was not established many months prior to that date is by no means so conclusive, for it is purely negative in character; however, while each bit of evidence taken by itself is perhaps negligible, the weight of all the evidence when taken together is cumulative and therefore considerable if not absolutely convincing. That evidence is as follows:

Patent Book No. 2 in the Virginia Land Office contains copies of twenty or more patents to land in York County (or “in York river” or “Up pamunkee river”) granted by Governor Sir William Berkeley between 1644 and 1652; but while Hampton Parish⁶ is mentioned several times, some-

⁵ Virginia Land Office, *Patent Book* No. 3, page 13.

⁶ Hampton was one of the very early Virginia parishes. It was established in 1640. Until March, 1643, when its name was changed to Hampton, it was known as Chesecake (or Chiskiack, or Chickyack, or Kiskeake or Kiskiacke, or Kiskyacke, or Kiskyake) Parish. In 1680 it was one of four parishes lying wholly or—as in the case of one of them, Bruton or Brewton—partly in York County. Its eastern boundary was Townsend Creek (later known as Yorktown Creek). Being the farthest west parish of a county which until 1654, when New Kent County was established, extended indefinitely to the west, Hampton had probably no western boundary line until the year that Blisland Parish was established (probably 1653), when Scimino Creek became its western boundary. With the establishment of Marston Parish in 1654, Queen’s Creek (between Scimino and Townsend creeks) became Hampton’s western boundary.

times under its original name of Kiskeake (or Chickyack), sometimes as Hampton, its new name given in 1643, there is no mention whatever of Blisland Parish. In this connection it is, however, only fair to say that over half the patents in question fail to refer by name to any parish; therefore the absence of the name Blisland from the pages of *Patent Book* No. 2 is in itself not absolute proof that the parish was not in existence before Governor Berkeley left office.

Patent Book No. 3 begins with patents issued by Governor Richard Bennett, who took office April 30, 1652. In this volume there are copies of ten or more patents to land in York County (or "on york river" or "in york river") granted between November 12, 1652, and June 7, 1654. Of these land patents, five, the latest of which is dated July 1, 1653, are of particular interest. The first of these patents, which is dated Nov. 12, 1652, reads: "grant unto John Rogers Seven hundred and twenty Acres of Land lying on the South Side of york river Near Skimmino Creeke." Now it is to be noted that the patent does not say on which side of "Skimmino Creeke" the land lay, and as that creek was in 1654 made the boundary line of New Kent County and presumably (for reasons to be given later) had been made the eastern boundary line of Blisland Parish at its establishment, it is impossible to state with certainty that this land lay within the bounds of Blisland Parish when established. The second and third patents, dated respectively Feb. 10 and Feb. 12, 1652,⁷ are to land granted to Mrs. Hannah Clarke situated "in the County of Yorke and upon the South Side and within the ffreshes of yorke river" (the wording being exactly the same in the two patents). Now it is to be noted above, in the patent to John Pouncey, dated June 7, 1654, that land situated "on y^e south sïde of y^e frefhes of York river" was in the parish of Blisland; therefore if Blisland Parish was in existence on Feb. 10, 1653, the lands mentioned in these two patents to Mrs. Hannah

⁷ i. e. 1653.

Clarke were in Blisland Parish. The fourth patent that is of special interest in connection with the fixing of the date of the establishment of Blisland Parish is that granted on April 14, 1653, to William Hoccaday. It reads: ". that I the Said Richard Bennett Esq^r. &c give and grant unto m^r William Hoccaday one Thousand Acres of Land head of a former devident Neer the head of Ware Creeke on the Side of yorke river beginning in the County of yorke bounded Viz^t Northweft by North upon his former devident South East by South upon the ware Creeke and North weft by North towards Waraney Creeke." This patent is interesting for three reasons: (1) its reference to Ware Creek, which is west of Scimino Creek and was therefore well within the bounds of New Kent County as established in 1654.⁸ Later, in 1767, the line of Ware Creek was made a part of the eastern boundary line of New Kent County;⁹ (2) its reference to Waraney Creek, which was in Blisland Parish and from which one of the churches within the bounds of that parish later took its name; and (3) its reference to an earlier patent granted to the same patentee. Now in *Patent Book* No. 2, page 93, there is to be seen a patent—doubtless the one referred to above—granted Aug. 6, 1646, by Sir William Berkeley to "William Hockaday" for "five hundred Acres of Land and lyeing on the South fide of Charles¹⁰ river Neare the Narrowes being in the County of yorke bounded (Viz^t) North weft by weft upon Warrany Creeke North East by East upon the river South East by East toward the ware Creeke." The last of the patents to be noted as of special interest in this connection is that granted July 1, 1653, to Robert Priddy for 377 acres of land "scituated in York County in y^e Narrows running South West by y^e Land of George Chapman . . . East to y^e Lands of W^m Cox and the Land of Joⁿ Hope."

⁸ *Hening, Statutes at Large . . . of Virginia*, Vol. I, page 388.

⁹ *Hening*, Vol. VIII, page 209.

¹⁰ i. e. York.

In this patent the word to be noted is "Narrows," which in the patent to William Hockaday immediately above is associated with Ware Creek, which is known to be within the bounds of Blisland Parish.

Here then are five land patents, all of them dated less than one year prior to Oct. 13, 1653 (when Blisland Parish is mentioned by name in a patent to Thomas Dunketon), four of which almost certainly, and the fifth one possibly, refer to land within the known bounds of Blisland Parish, but none of which mentions the parish by name. Under the circumstances it seems most reasonable to suppose that Blisland Parish was not established many months prior to Oct. 13, 1653. However, in view of the fact before stated, that by no means all patents to land within the bounds of a parish refer to the parish by name, it is entirely possible that Blisland Parish may some day be found to have been established a year, or even two or three years, prior to 1653.

In this connection it is of interest to note: (1) that on July 5, 1653, there was convened the third Grand Assembly held subsequent to the surrender of the Colony of Virginia (on March 12, 1652) to the Parliament of the Commonwealth, and (2) that at this Assembly Mr. Wm. Hockaday sat as one of the four Burgesses for York County. It is the belief of the present editor that it was at this session of the Grand Assembly that Blisland Parish was established, and he thinks it most probable that it was on the motion of Mr. Wm. Hockaday, who was a large landowner in that part of York County that subsequently was included in Blisland Parish¹¹ and who took a somewhat prominent part in the proceedings of this Assembly,¹² that the Act establishing Blisland Parish was passed.

¹¹ See page xiv. Note also that there was a Hockaday on the vestry of Blisland Parish in 1703 (page lii) and that the Hockaday family was prominent in the parish through the whole period covered by the extant Vestry Book.

¹² *Hening*, Vol. I, pages 378, 379, and 380.

If from the evidence at hand it is impossible to determine absolutely the year when Blisland Parish was established, it is equally as impossible from the known existing records to say with absolute certainty what was the territorial extent of the parish at the time of its establishment, or even what was its eastern boundary line in its entirety.

With regard to the eastern boundary line of Blisland Parish, it seems to the editor most reasonable to suppose that it was the same as that of the county of New Kent as established in 1654, i. e., on the south side of the York the line of Scimino Creek.¹³ Whether or not the parish ever included land on the north side of York River is as yet somewhat of an open question; if it did, then most probably the parish line on that side was the line of Poropotank Creek.¹⁴ That Scimino Creek constituted a part at least of the eastern boundary line of Blisland Parish at the time of its establishment is witnessed to by three facts: (1) In 1654 the parish of Marston was established, with limits "From the head of the north side of Queen's creeke as high as to the head of Scimino creeke."¹⁵ Marston was originally a part of Hampton Parish,¹⁶ one of the very early

¹³ *Hening*, Vol. I, p. 388.

¹⁴ *Hening*, Vol. I, p. 388.

¹⁵ *Hening*, Vol. I, page 388.

¹⁶ The editor's reasons for making this unqualified statement are as follows: 1. Previous to the establishment of New Kent County (Nov. 20, 1654) all the territory afterwards incorporated in that county was a part of York County. 2. From (and presumably for some months before) Oct. 13, 1653, until Nov. 20, 1654, York County contained (in whole or—as in the case of one parish, Bruton, or Brewton—in part) five parishes; namely, New Poquoson (afterwards Charles), York, Bruton, Hampton, and Blisland, of which Blisland lay farthest west, the next most westerly parish being Hampton. 3. If these five parishes covered the county—and arguing from historical analogy one is led to conclude that they must have done so—then at its establishment (in 1653 or earlier) Blisland must have been cut off from the parish which at the moment was the far-west parish; i. e., Hampton. 4. Now Blisland had as its eastern boundary Scimino Creek; therefore in 1653 (after the establishment of Blisland) Scimino Creek was the western boundary of Hampton—for otherwise there would have been an extra-parochial strip of territory extending from the western boundary of Hampton up to the eastern boundary of

Virginia parishes, which until 1643 had been known as Chescake (or Chiskiack or Kiskeake) Parish.¹⁷ After comparatively few years of separate existence, Marston must have been reunited to Hampton Parish, for in the 1680 list of the parishes in Virginia the parishes in York County are given as Brewton, Hampton, Yorke, and New Pocoson.¹⁸ Later, in 1707, York and Hampton Parishes were "united and consolidated into one parish to be called and known by the name of Yorkhampton."¹⁹ (2) When in 1724 Blisland Parish was divided up into four precincts for the purpose of facilitating the counting of tobacco plants, the first precinct was defined as "That from the head of the Northwest branch of Ware Creeke Down the Swamp to Holdcrofts Mill and from thence to the extent of the Parish Downwards";²⁰ in other words at least a fourth, and possibly more, of the parish as it existed in 1724 lay below Ware Creek, and so the parish must have extended down to about as far as Scimino Creek. (3) The mouth of Scimino Creek marks today the beginning of the line separating Blisland Parish (in the Diocese of Southern Virginia) from the parish of York Hampton.

What now was the original area and extent of Blisland Parish? To this interesting question there can be at present, in view of the lack of sufficient documentary evidence on the subject, no conclusive answer. As far as the records at hand show, Blisland Parish as originally established may have coincided in territory (1) with that part of the original New Kent County that lies south of the line of the York

Blisland, a thing unprecedented in the history of the Colony. Therefore, when on Nov. 20, 1654, both New Kent County and Marston Parish were established, the bounds of Marston being defined as "From the head of the north side of Queen's creeke as high as to the head of Scimino creeke," Marston Parish must have been taken from Hampton Parish.

¹⁷ *Henig*, Vol. I, page 251.

¹⁸ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 1, Vol. 45, No. 27.

¹⁹ *Executive Journals of the Council of Colonial Virginia*, Vol. III, page 140.

²⁰ See page 10.

and the Pamunkey, or (2) with that part of the original New Kent County that lies south of the line of the York and the ridge between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi, or (3) with New Kent County as a whole as established in 1654, i. e., the entire water-shed of the Pamunkey-Mattaponi-York River system from Poropotank Creek on the north side of the York, and Scimino Creek on the south side, westward to an indefinite extent.

In favor of the supposition that Blisland Parish was from the beginning confined in area to territory lying south of the York and the Pamunkey is the fact that no document has been found linking the name of Blisland Parish with any part of the territory to the north of the line of those two rivers. Moreover, had Blisland Parish originally included any territory between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi (in early Colonial times called Pamunkey Neck) then when in 1678-9 St. Peter's Parish was established, the dividing line between the two parishes would have run across Pamunkey Neck as well as across that part of the original New Kent County that lies south of the York and the Pamunkey, roughly speaking the present New Kent County. However, whenever in the manuscript Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish there is occasion to mention the starting point of the dividing line between St. Peter's and Blisland, the wording is "begin at ye mouth of a Creek Called Cap^t: Bajsetts Landing"²¹ or "Beginning at Pamunkey River side at a Small gutts mouth Known by the name of Bajsetts landing."²² There is nowhere any reference to Pamunkey Neck by name or indeed any reference at all to territory north of the Pamunkey.

Opposed to the supposition that Blisland Parish was from the beginning confined in area to territory lying south of the York and the Pamunkey, and confirming the supposition that it did include also at least a part of the territory

²¹ MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, page 11.

²² MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, page 15.

between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi, known as Pamunkey Neck, i. e., as far north as to the ridge between the two rivers, are the following facts and considerations:

(1) In the year 1680 St. Peter's Parish included territory in Pamunkey Neck, as is evidenced by the following:

Att A Gen^l Assembly Begunne at *James City* June the 8th 1680 . . .

The Petition of the Inhabitants of *Pamunkey* Neck praying that they may be made a Parrish and it being Averred to this Ajssembly that part of that Neck belongs to *St Peters* parish soe farre as *Johns* Creek and to the Ridge of the 1st Neck, this Ajssembly doe declare and Order that they have liberty to make a Parish downwards from the said *Johns* Creek and Soe up the Ridge on *Mattaponie* Side, if they think Convenient.²³

This territory in Pamunkey Neck was, it may be said in passing, retained by St. Peter's Parish until the year 1691, when it was annexed to St. John's Parish.²⁴ Now St. Peter's Parish had been established in 1678-9, the year that Blisland Parish was divided; all the territory therefore included in St. Peter's at its establishment had before that date presumably been included in Blisland Parish. In other words, that part of Pamunkey Neck which in 1680 (and until 1691) was a part of St. Peter's Parish must presumably have been prior to 1678-9 a part of Blisland Parish, for there is otherwise no logical way to account for its connection with St. Peter's. But if the Pamunkey Neck portion of St. Peter's Parish was originally, like the rest of St. Peter's, a part of Blisland, then originally Blisland

²³ *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia 1659/60-1693*, page 150.

²⁴ *Hening*, Vol. III, p. 94. There are numerous references (direct as to the inhabitants, indirect as to the territory) to the Pamunkey Neck part of St. Peter's Parish in the MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, between pages 2 and 17. Two very plain references occur on pages 11 (May 4, 1689) and 14 (Feb. 17, 1690).

Parish embraced at least all that part of Pamunkey Neck lying south of the ridge between the Mattaponi and the Pamunkey as well as the territory south of the line of the York and the Pamunkey.

(2) The absence of any reference to Pamunkey Neck in the wording of the entries in the manuscript Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish referring to the dividing line between Blisland and St. Peter's parishes proves nothing, for the reason that those entries were made subsequent to the establishment (after June 8, 1680) of St. John's Parish, which at the date of its establishment embraced that part of Pamunkey Neck (later King William County) below John's (or Jack's) Creek, together with territory perhaps above the line of that creek on the Mattaponi side of the Neck.²⁵ But if Blisland Parish originally included a part of Pamunkey Neck as well as the territory south of the line of the York and the Pamunkey, then with the establishment of St. John's Parish (subsequent to June 8, 1680) Blisland, which had already by the establishment of St. Peter's Parish in 1678-9 suffered the loss of that portion of its territory in Pamunkey Neck that lies west of John's (or Jack's) Creek, was deprived of the remaining part of its Pamunkey Neck territory. Accordingly when in the year 1689, and again in the year 1690, there was talk of running the line between Blisland and St. Peter's parishes, there was naturally no reason to mention that part of the original dividing line that ran across the southern half of Pamunkey Neck, for after the establishment of St. John's Parish the dividing line between St. Peter's and Blisland, now confined in area to territory south of the York and the Pamunkey, did actually begin at a point on the south side of Pamunkey River.

(3) In the schedule of parishes in Virginia, in the Public Record Office in London, dated June 30, 1680, there are

²⁵ See page xix.

four parishes listed as being in New Kent County. Of these four, St. Stephen's (established prior to Feb. 18, 1674)²⁶ and Stratton Major (established in 1655)²⁷ are listed under the heading "North Side," and St. Peter's and Blisland are listed under the heading "South Side." The question then arises, what was the dividing line between New Kent County, North Side and New Kent County, South Side—was it the Pamunkey or the ridge between the Mattaponi and the Pamunkey? To this question the editor is obliged, in view of the absence of conclusive documentary proof, to answer that he does not know. However, he inclines to the belief that the ridge between the two rivers was the dividing line. His reasons for so thinking are as follows: (a) From 1654 until 1691 New Kent County extended north and south from the ridge north of the Mattaponi to the ridge south of the Pamunkey, therefore the ridge between these two rivers would be just about the half-way line. (b) In Virginia in the seventeenth century rivers were not commonly the dividing lines between counties or between parishes, but the ridges between rivers were. (c) Between the years 1680 and 1691 St. Peter's Parish, listed as a South Side parish, extended north across the Pamunkey (counted at that time as the upper part of the York and referred to in official documents as the York²⁸) as far as to the ridge between it and the Mattaponi.²⁹ (d) The wording of the Act establishing Stratton Major Parish does not militate against the supposition that the parish, at its establishment extended south across the Mattaponi as far as to the ridge between it and the Pamunkey, for in accordance with the practice of the period, under which counties and parishes occupied both sides of river valleys,

²⁶ Virginia Land Office, *Patent Book* No. 6, page 502.

²⁷ *Hening*, Vol. I, page 404.

²⁸ Virginia Land Office, *Patent Book* No. 3, p. 93 (patent to Capt. John West, dated July 3, 1652) and p. 290 (patent to Capt. John West, dated March 6, 1653).

²⁹ See page xix.

the words, "from Poropotank to Mattapony upward (vizt) on the north side of York river be a distinct parish by the name of Stratton Major," could properly have meant the land north of the present York River from Poropotank Creek up to the point where the Mattaponi and the Pamunkey come together, and, from that point, the land north of the ridge between the two rivers.³⁰ Now it is a fair inference that the four parishes listed covered the whole of New Kent County as far as it was inhabited, for in Colonial Virginia wherever there were inhabitants there there was a parish. If then the "North Side" of New Kent County was covered by St. Stephen's and Stratton Major parishes, and St. Peter's Parish covered the western portion of the "South Side," including that part of Pamunkey Neck lying west of John's (or Jack's) Creek and south of the ridge between the Mattaponi and the Pamunkey, then there was but one parish that could have included the eastern portion of Pamunkey Neck south of the ridge, and that was Blisland.

(4) There remains a fourth circumstance to be considered. In the year 1677 certain inhabitants of Blisland Parish presented to the Commissioners who had been sent over to Virginia to inquire into the causes of Bacon's Rebellion a list of "grievances." These "grievances" were signed by some eighty-seven persons, among the signatures being those of Robert Anderson and George Coxe. Now in this connection it is interesting to note (a) that in a patent granted April 22, 1670, to George Chapman for 4150 acres of land in "Pamunkey Necke," the name "Robt. Anderson" occurs in the list given of the names of persons on account of whose transportation into Virginia the tract

³⁰ It is to be noted here that as the earliest continuous records of Stratton Major Parish known to be in existence, the records of the vestry meetings, begin in 1721 (long after the establishment of Pamunkey Neck as a parish under the name of St. John's), it is not possible to substantiate by reference to the Stratton Major Parish Vestry Book the theory that that parish did at first actually include territory south of the Mattaponi.

had been granted,³¹ and (b) in the list of "Processioners" for the Pamunkey Neck part of St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689 occurs the name of Geo: Cox.³² If then in 1677 Robt. Andersone and George Coxe were inhabitants of Blisland Parish, and if also a "Robt. Anderson" in 1670 and a "Geo: Cox" in 1689 are found living in Pamunkey Neck, the supposition that Pamunkey Neck, or at least a part of it, was originally included in Blisland Parish is certainly strengthened.

Practically to clinch the matter that at least that part of Pamunkey Neck that lies south of the ridge was included in Blisland Parish at the date of its establishment two possible objections must be met. The first objection is that if there were no English settlers at all, or even if there were very few English settlers, in the eastern portion of Pamunkey Neck between 1653 and 1680, then there would have been no need of including that territory in any parish before that date. Now, as it happens, this is a very weighty objection, and it is so because of the fact that Pamunkey Neck was not open to settlement at all until about 1653, whereas at that date the land north of the Mattaponi and that south of the Pamunkey, in each case for some distance west of the fork of those two rivers, had already and for some years past been open to settlement. Moreover it is well known that whereas by the year 1678 (or 9) there were two parishes north of the Mattaponi, Stratton Major (est. 1655) and St. Stephen's (est. before Feb. 18, 1674), and two south of the Pamunkey, Blisland (est. 1653 or earlier) and St. Peter's (est. 1678 or 1679), it was not until 1680 or later that by the establishment of St. John's Parish the inhabitants of Pamunkey Neck were given independent parish life.³³

³¹ Virginia Land Office, *Patent Book* No. 6, page 78.

³² MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, page 11.

³³ The delay in the settlement of Pamunkey Neck and the thinness of the population of the "Neck" as compared with that of the lands north and south of it is well brought out by Dr. Malcolm H. Harris in his

However, granted the above are facts, as they undoubtedly are, and granted furthermore that a considerable portion of the land in the eastern part of Pamunkey Neck was in 1653, as it has been ever since, an Indian Reservation and as such closed to settlement, nevertheless there is another side to the story, and it is equally true: (1) that as early as 1653 the extreme eastern tip of the "Neck" was occupied by English settlers;³⁴ (2) that before 1680 there were at least so many settlers in that part of the "Neck" lying west of John's (or Jack's) Creek that there is particular mention of them in the records as being members of St. Peter's Parish; and (3) that in 1680 the inhabitants in the "Neck" living east, or below, John's Creek were numerous enough to obtain the consent of the General Assembly to the formation of a new parish for themselves.³⁵

The other objection is one based on the wording of the Act of Assembly of 1691 establishing King and Queen County. In that Act occurs the following passage: "That the inhabitants of Pomunkey Necke, that now belong to St. Peters parish be restored and added to St. Johns parish, from which they formerly were taken."³⁶ Here the statement is plainly made that the Pamunkey Neck portion of St. Peter's Parish had formerly been a part of St. John's Parish. The answer is simply this, that that part of Pamunkey Neck that lies above (west of) John's (or Jack's) Creek had been a part of St. Peter's Parish before St.

article, "Delaware Town" and "West Point" in *King William County, Va. William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine*, Second Series, Vol. XIV, No. 4, Oct. 1934, pp. 343-345.

³⁴ Virginia Land Office, *Patent Book* No. 3, p. 93 (Capt. John West, 850 acres, transportation of 17 persons, dated July 3, 1652), p. 291 (Capt. John West, 3,300 acres, transportation of 49 persons, dated March 6, 1653), p. 34 (Col. William Clayborne, 5,000 acres, transportation of 100 persons, dated Sep. 1, 1653).

³⁵ *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1659/60-1693*, page 150.

³⁶ *Hening*, Vol. III, page 94.

John's Parish was established.³⁷ Incidentally the apparent discrepancy in the records can be explained by understanding the words, "be restored and added to St. Johns parish, from which they formerly were taken" to mean "be annexed to St. John's Parish to which when the whole of Pamunkey Neck was a part of Blisland Parish (i. e., before 1678-9) they may be said formerly to have belonged." However, the best explanation of the wording of the Act of Assembly of 1691 is perhaps that the author of the bill was ignorant of the fact that part of Pamunkey Neck had been included in St. Peter's Parish as early as 1680 (i. e., before the establishment of St. John's Parish) and gratuitously embodied in his bill, which in due course was enacted as drawn, a statement which was contrary to fact.

Summing up the matter thus far, the evidence seems to the editor fairly conclusive that Blisland Parish originally included not only all that part of the territory of New Kent County as established in 1654 that lies south of the line of the York and the Pamunkey, but at least the southern half of Pamunkey Neck (the present King William County) as well. There remains to be considered the question whether or not Blisland Parish originally included also all the territory included in New Kent County as established in 1654 that lies north of the line of the York and the ridge between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi.

Opposed to the supposition that Blisland Parish originally included territory north of the York and the ridge between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi is the reason advanced above³⁸ against the supposition that Blisland Parish originally included any of the territory between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi, called Pamunkey Neck, namely the fact that no document has as yet been found linking the name of Blisland Parish with any part at all of

³⁷ *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia 1659/60-1693*, page 150, quoted above on page xix.

³⁸ Page xviii.

the territory of New Kent County as established in 1654 that lies north of the line of the Pamunkey and the York.

In favor of the supposition that Blisland Parish originally (i. e., in 1653 or earlier) included territory north as well as south of the ridge between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi, in other words that it included all the territory included in 1654 in the newly created county of New Kent (i. e., the whole water-shed of the Pamunkey-Mattaponi-York River system), are the following facts and considerations:

(1) That as a general rule the parishes in Virginia established during the period from 1643 to 1655 lay on both sides of a river and included from east to west all the territory drained by the river. Some of the parishes that illustrate this rule, with the dates of their establishment, are Bristol (1643), on the Appomattox; Westover (prior to 1652), on the James; Weyanoke (1643), on the James; Wallingford (prior to Oct. 2, 1640), on the Chickahominy; Wilmington (prior to 1680), on the Chickahominy; and Farnham (1654), on the Rappahannock.

(2) That when in the seventeenth and early part of the eighteenth centuries a new county in Virginia was established shortly after the establishment of a parish in the same general district, it was not unusual to make the county co-terminous with the parish in area. This was, for example, done in the case of (Old) Rappahannock County (est. 1656),³⁹ whose bounds coincided with those of Farnham Parish (est. 1654) and in the case of Middlesex County (est. 1669),⁴⁰ whose bounds to this day coincide with those of Christ Church Parish (est. 1666), and was probably done in the case of Hanover County (est. 1720),

³⁹ *Hening*, Vol. I, p. 427.

⁴⁰ *The Vestry Book of Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, Virginia, 1663-1767*, p. XIII; *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. XLII, January, 1934, p. 31—*Middlesex County, Virginia: The Date of Its Origin*.

whose northern, eastern, and southern boundaries coincide with those of St. Paul's Parish (est. 1704).

(3) Chescake (or Chiskiack or Kiskeake) Parish was one of the very early Colonial Virginia parishes, having been established in 1640. It was the most western of the parishes in Charles River County, the name of which was changed to York County in 1643, the same year that the name of the parish was changed from Chescake to Hampton.⁴¹ Now just how far to the west Hampton Parish extended between 1650 and 1653 (the most probable date of the establishment of Blisland Parish) is not definitely known. However, since there is no documentary proof whatever that any parish lay between Hampton and Blisland at the time of the establishment of the latter, and since, as has been shown above,⁴² the eastern boundary of Blisland at its establishment was Scimino Creek, the inference is clear (a) that Blisland was cut off from Hampton, and (b) that before the establishment of Blisland, Hampton Parish must have extended up York River to a point beyond (i. e., west of) Scimino Creek.

Now in 1654 New Kent County was established, and that same year the upper portion of Hampton Parish was erected into a new parish, Marston, whose eastern and western limits are given, in the order for its establishment, as Queen's Creek and Scimino Creek, respectively.⁴³ The very next year (1655) Stratton Major Parish was established. But if Blisland Parish at its establishment (prior to Oct. 13, 1653) had not included the territory afterwards included in Stratton Major Parish as established in 1655 (i. e., the present King and Queen County, roughly speaking) then all that territory incorporated in Stratton Major Parish in 1655 must between Oct. 13, 1653, and Nov. 20, 1654, (the date of the establishment of Marston Parish) have

⁴¹ *Hening*, Vol. I, pages 249 and 251.

⁴² Page xvi.

⁴³ *Hening*, Vol. I, page 388.

been separated from Hampton Parish (to which it must under those circumstances have belonged, as there was no other parish to which it could have belonged) by that part of Blisland Parish extending from Scimino Creek up to a point on the south side of the York opposite the mouth of Poropotank Creek; and between Nov. 20, 1654, and March 24, 1655, (the date of the establishment of Stratton Major Parish) it must have been separated from Hampton Parish not only by the part of Blisland Parish above referred to, but also by the whole extent of Marston Parish—a state of affairs that to any one having even the slightest acquaintance with Colonial Virginia parish history is inconceivable.

In view then of the above considerations, and in spite of the lack of any direct documentary proof that such was the case, the editor thinks it most probable that Blisland Parish as originally established included just the territory that was included in New Kent County at its establishment in 1654; i. e., the whole water-shed of the Pamunkey-Mattaponi-York River system from Poropotank Creek, on the north, and Scimino Creek, on the south, as far toward the west as there were inhabitants.

Assuming then that Blisland Parish at the date of its establishment included all the territory included in New Kent County in 1654, its first loss of territory was suffered when in 1655 Stratton Major Parish (including practically what is now King and Queen County and also most probably that part of Pamunkey Neck lying north of the ridge) was established. Its next loss of territory occurred when in 1678-9 St. Peter's Parish (including the upper half of the present New Kent County on the Pamunkey River side, the lower part of the present Hanover County, and that part of Pamunkey Neck (King William County) lying west of John's (or Jack's) Creek and south of the ridge between the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi) was established. It suffered its third and last loss of territory when shortly after

June 8, 1680, St. John's Parish (including all the lower part of Pamunkey Neck from John's (or Jack's) Creek downward, and the northern side of the upper part of the "Neck," between the ridge and Mattaponi River) was established.

In 1725⁴⁴ Blisland Parish underwent still another territorial change, this time a change by addition. In that year Wilmington Parish, which lay on both sides of the Chickahominy from near the mouth of the river to a point some thirty miles up stream (i. e., to the west) was dissolved, and that part of the parish lying south of the Chickahominy (i. e., in Charles City County) was added to Westover Parish, while the part lying north of the river (i. e., in James City County) was divided between James City, Blisland, and St. Peter's parishes, the middle section being annexed to Blisland. After March 1, 1725, then, Blisland Parish lay partly in New Kent County and partly in James City County, the larger portion of the parish being in New Kent.⁴⁵

The complete wording of the Act for dissolving the parish of Wilmington, which has not, it is believed, heretofore appeared in print, is as follows:

An Act for dissolving the parish of Wilmington in the Counties of James City and Charles City and adding the Same to other parishes.

Whereas the parish of Wilmington lying in the Counties of James City and Charles City by reason of its Situation on both Sides of Chicohominy River and the great length thereof is very inconvenient to the far greater part of the parishoners thereof Be it Enacted by the Lieu' Gov'. Coun-

⁴⁴ In the Act dissolving Wilmington Parish, the date when the provisions of the Act were to take effect is given as March 1, 1724. This date is evidently according to the "Old Style" reckoning, for it was not until April 24, 1725, that former vestrymen of Wilmington Parish were sworn in as vestrymen of Blisland Parish. (See page 15.)

⁴⁵ *Hening*, Vol. IV, page 141; *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1712-1726*, page 387.

cil and Burgesses of this present General Assembly and it is hereby Enacted by the Authority of the Same That from and after the first Day of March which shall be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Twenty ffour or within One Month after the Same shall become vacant by the death resignation or other disability of the present incumbent which-soever Shall first happen the Said parish of Wilmington and the Vestry of the Said Parish shall be and hereby are intirely dissolved. And that that part of the Said Parish of Wilmington lying below the Mouth of Coles Mill Creek running up the Said Creek and the Lowermost branch thereof to the Head of a Valley a little below the Dwelling House of one George Weldy Be added to the parish of James City And the Said added part & the parish of James City Shall be for Ever One intire parish and be called by the Name of James City Parish And that that part of the Said parish of Wilmington lying above the Mouth of the said Mill Creek to a Line to be run from Chicohominy River a little below the plantation of William Brown Gent running from thence in a direct Line to Diascun Swamp Just below the plantation of John Netherland Gent. from there up the Said Swamp to the Line now dividing the parish of Blisland from the parish of S^t. peter Be added to the Said Parish of Blisland in the County of New-Kent And that the Said added part and the parish of Blisland shall be for Ever One intire Parish and be called by the name of Blisland Parish And that all that remaining part of the Said Parish of Wilmington lying on the East side of Chicohominy River be added to the Said Parish of S^t. Peter in the County of New Kent And that the Said added part and the parish of S^t. peter shall be for ever One intire parish and be called by the Name of the parish of S^t. Peter And that the remaining part of the Said parish of Wilmington lying on the West side of Chicohominy River be added to parish of Westover in the County

of Charles City and that the Said added part and the parish of Westover shall be for Ever One intire parish and be called by the Name of Westover parish All which Said parts of the Said parish of Wilmington so divided and added as aforesaid shall be liable to the respective dependencies Offices Charges Contributions and parochial Duties whatsoever payable by and incumbent on the other Inhabitants of the Said parishes to wth they are So added and be capable to receive and enjoy all privileges and Advantages relating thereto *And Be it further Enacted* by the Authority aforesaid That from & after the Comencement of this Act the Vestry Men of the Said parish of Wilmington who shall reside and dwell in any part of that parish added to any other parish shall be and are by virtue of this Act added to the Vestry of the Parish to which they are so added and Shall and may have and exercise the like power & Authority for ordering and regulating the Affairs of the Said parish as the Vestry of Such parish to which they are hereby added now have and Exercise *Provided* That None of the Said parish's of James City Blisland S^t. Peter or Westover shall at any Time hereafter Elect or Choose any Vestry Man in either or any of the Said parishes until there shall be less in Number than Twelve persons in the Vestry of any of the said Parishes.⁴⁶

In 1767 Blisland Parish experienced still one more change, this last being rather a change in geographical name than one of territory. In that year the lower end of New Kent County on the York River side (which was part of Blisland Parish), extending from Ware Creek down to Scimino Creek, was cut off from New Kent County and added to James City County, while at the same time the upper end of James City County on the Chickahominy River side,

⁴⁶ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 5, Vol. 1387.

i. e., all that part of the county lying above, or north-west, of Diascun Creek, was cut off from James City County and added to New Kent County.⁴⁷ But the Act which made this rearrangement of county boundaries left the parish boundaries unchanged, and the net result of the legislation as far as Blisland Parish was concerned was that thereafter the lower part of the York River side of the parish was in James City County instead of being in New Kent County as before, and that the lower part of the Chickahominy River side of the parish was in New Kent County instead of being in James City County as before.

The foregoing discussion of the establishment of Blisland Parish and of its territorial extent at various periods in its history makes it abundantly clear that Blisland not only was one of the early parishes of Colonial Virginia and the mother parish of St. Peter's, but was also in all probability the mother of two other parishes, Stratton-Major and St. John's, like St. Peter's more famous than itself. How it came about that the ancient origin and early history of Blisland Parish were so completely forgotten that in 1857 Bishop Meade could write, "About the year 1684 or 1685, a parish, east of St. Peter's, on Pamunkey and York Rivers, toward Williamsburg, was formed, by the name of Blisland," the present editor does not know. He does know, however, that the Bishop's incorrect assumption that St. Peter's Parish was established prior to the establishment of Blisland and that the latter was formed in 1684 or 1685⁴⁸ has been followed up to the present time by students of Colonial Virginia history generally. Bishop Meade's error is all the more remarkable for the reason that while writing his articles on the "Parishes in New Kent," he had before him the manuscript Vestry Book of St. Peter's, on page 7 of which occurs the following entry under the date March 31, 1688:

⁴⁷ *Hening*, Vol. VIII, p. 208.

⁴⁸ Meade, *Old Churches*, Vol. I, page 383.

It is ordered by this p^resent vestry y^t: M^r: Jn^o: Roper and M^r: Will Bafse[tt] Church-wardens of this p^rish doe employ a S^voyer to Runn a dividing Line between this p^rish of S^t: Peters and y^o p^rish of Bliffland upon y^o 30th: of May next according to an agreement of twelve men Chofen by Ord[er] of veftry of Bliffland p^rish in y^o: year 1678 for y^o: dividing of y^o: Sam[e]

As a matter of fact the above entry in the Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish would in itself alone be conclusive evidence of the fact that Blisland was the mother parish of St. Peter's, and that the latter was cut off from Blisland in 1678 or 1679. However, the manuscript Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish contains still further evidence of the fact that Blisland was the mother parish of St. Peter's, for on page 11 occurs the following item:

At a Councill held at James City Octo:^r y^o 18 1689
Pres:^t Nath: Bacon Esq:^r Presi:^{at} & Councill

For Determination of y^o Differance between Bliffland p^rish & S^t: Peters p^rish in New Kent County it appearing y^t it was agreed on when Bliffland Parish was to be Divided y^t: y^o Dividing line shou[ld] begin at y^o mouth of a Creek Called Cap:^t Bafsetts Landing etc.

Finally there is the festimony of the following item on page 11 of Vol. I of the *Calendar of Virginia State Papers and Other Manuscripts 1652-1781*—testimony that was not available to Bishop Meade but has been available to every student of Virginia history for the past fifty years and more:

At a Gen^l Court held at James City, April 29th, 1679,
p^resent: the Deputy Gov^r and Councill

The Parifh of Bliffland petitioning, y^t by unanimous consent of y^o whole parifh, a Division by suffittient men by

them chofen is made of y^e s^d p^rish, and praying that y^e Division be confirmed and ffoure of the Vestry appearing, and affirming that y^e Division was made by consent of y^e parish. This Court therefore confirmed the s^d Division

Ver. Cop. Teste: Roland Davis

W. P. Edwards, Clk

Gen^l Co^t.

2. FURTHER HISTORY

The insurrection known as Bacon's Rebellion broke out in the year 1676. Among the counties directly and deeply implicated in and affected by that rebellion was New Kent County, at that time embracing a territory including not only the greater part of the present county of New Kent but also practically the whole of the present counties of King and Queen, King William, and Hanover, and the upper part of the present county of James City. At that time there were in all that territory only two parishes of which there is any record discoverable—Stratton-Major (est. 1655), in what is now King and Queen County and Blisland (est. 1653, or earlier), which at that time included the upper end of the present James City County and the greater part of the present counties of New Kent and Hanover, as well as, probably the southern half of the present county of King William (called then Pamunkey Neck).

About the end of April, 1676, Nathaniel Bacon, commanding a force of some 300 men, of whom a number had been recruited in New Kent County,⁴⁹ set out upon his expedition against the Indians in the country between James River and Carolina. In June Bacon, after an unsuccessful attempt to induce Governor Berkeley to grant him a commission as General in the war against the Indians, having fled from Jamestown secretly, returned to Jamestown from the

⁴⁹ Andrews, *Narratives of the Insurrections, 1675-1690,—A True Narrative of the Late Rebellion in Virginia, By the Royal Commissioners, 1677*, p. 111.

up-country at the head of an armed force composed in part of men from New Kent County.⁵⁰ On June 26, Bacon left Jamestown at the head of his men and with his commission from Governor Berkeley in his possession.⁵¹ On his second march on Jamestown, in September and after his expedition against the Pamunkey Indians, Bacon stopped again in New Kent to recruit his forces.⁵²

Nathaniel Bacon the Rebel died on Oct. 26, 1676, but the rebellion was not entirely suppressed until about the middle of January following. Meanwhile the insurgents were divided into five chief groups. One, under Ingram, was at West Point, at the junction of the Pamunkey and Mattaponi rivers. A second group, under Captain Drew, was at "Green Spring", Governor Berkeley's residence, on James River a few miles above Jamestown. A third, under Maj. Whaley, was at the house of Nathaniel Bacon, Sr. (member of the Council and a partizan of Berkeley's, although an uncle of the Rebel) on King's Creek, York County. The fourth group, with which Drummond and Lawrence were associated, remained at the Brick House, in New Kent County, just across the Pamunkey from West Point, until Christmas time, when all who were there moved up the river to the house of Colonel Henry Gooch, where Whaley joined them. The fifth group, under Captain Catlin and Colonel Groves, was south of James River, in Nansemond

⁵⁰ *Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series, America and West Indies, 1675-1676*, pp. 415-416. Letter of William Sherwood, a partizan of Berkeley's and a member of the Council, to Secretary Sir Joseph Williamson, dated June 28, 1676.

⁵¹ *Ibid.*

⁵² Andrews, *Narratives of the Insurrections, 1675-1690,—A True Narrative of the Late Rebellion in Virginia, By the Royal Commissioners, 1677*, pp. 129-130, where the account reads: "Bacon in most incens'd manner Threatens to be revenged on the Governor and his party, swearing his soldiers to give noe quarter and professing to scorne to take any themselves, and soe in a great fury marches on towards James Town, onely halting a while about New Kent to gain some fresh Forces, and sending to the upper parts of James River for what they could assist him with."

County, behind Warrascoyack bay.⁵³ Thus it will be seen that of the five main bodies in which the followers of Nathaniel Bacon the Rebel were grouped after his death, two—that under Ingram and the detachment at the Brick House—were in the single county of New Kent (then including King and Queen, King William, and Hanover) and one of those two, namely the detachment at the Brick House, was in Blisland Parish.

Ingram, at West Point, soon came to terms with Capt. Grantham, commander of an English merchant ship then lying in York River, who was acting for Berkeley, and his force was promptly disbanded. The force at the Brick House held out longer but to no purpose, as the event showed; finally it simply disintegrated. Whaley and Lawrence made their escape; Col. Gooch and several other leaders including Drummond were taken prisoner, and among those executed by Berkeley was “one Mr. H[all] Clarke of New Kent Court, a parson of Neate Ingenuo[us] parts, but adicted to a more than ordnary prying in [to] the Secrits of State affaires, which som yeares las[t pa]st wrought him into the Governours [dis]pleasure.”⁵⁴

But Thomas Hall was not the one and only person of prominence in New Kent County (and probably in Blisland Parish) that suffered at the hands of the government

⁵³ Andrews, *Narratives of the Insurrections, 1675-1690. The History of Bacon's and Ingram's Rebellion, 1676*, p. 85, note 3.

⁵⁴ Andrews, *Narratives of the Insurrections 1675-1690. The History of Bacon's and Ingram's Rebellion, 1676*, p. 97. See also *A List of Those That Have Been Executed for y^e Late Rebellion in Virginia*, by Willm Berkeley, p. 3. (in Force's Tracts, Vol. I, 1836), where this New Kent County victim is described in Berkeley's own words as “One Hall, a Clerk of a County but more useful to the rebels than 40 army men—that dyed very penitent confessing his rebellion against his King and his ingratitude to me.” See also *Hening*, Vol. II, p. 546, where the record of Hall's trial by court martial on board Capt. Jno. Martin's ship in York River, Jan. 11, 1676/7, is to be found, and in which his first name, Thomas, is given. See also *Calendar of Virginia State Papers and Other Manuscripts 1652-1781*, Vol. I, p. 6, on which, under the date, Oct. 27, 1665, is given a copy of the petition of one Samuel Sutton to the Justices of New Kent signed “Thos. Hall, Clk &c.”

on account of his participation in Bacon's Rebellion. Lt. Col. Henry Gooch, who had been with Drummond and Lawrence at the Brick House, and who later along with Drummond had been taken prisoner by Berkeley's forces, was brought before the Governor and Council at a court held at Green Spring on March 22, 1677, and was fined 6000 lb of pork, to be paid the following November "for the use of his majesties souldiers."⁵⁵

Prominent people, however, were not the only inhabitants of New Kent County to suffer on account of their participation, actual or supposed, in Bacon's Rebellion. A recent search of the Public Record Office in London brought to light the following documents,⁵⁶ which amply prove that New Kent County—and in particular that part of the county that lay within the bounds of Blisland Parish—had more than its share of sufferers from among its planters of the moderately-well-to-do class:

1. To the R^t Honb^le. Herbert Jeffreys Esq^re. Govern^r & Captⁿ. Gen^l. of Virginia; Sir John Berry K^t. & Francis Moryson Esq^re. his Maj^t'^{ty}s: Com^rs. for the Affairs of Virginia.

The humble petition of Richard Clarke of New Kent County—Sheweth

That yo^r pet^r. with other the Inhabitants of this Colony hath been forced into the late unhappy Rebellion, but yo^r. pet^r never took any man's goods or wronged any one, but endeavoured to continue quietly under his owne Roofe, But soe itt is may it please yo^r Hon^{rs} that on the ffirst day of January last past, att which time yo^r Pet^r. was gon from home with his wife on a visitt, severall Armed men under y^e Comand of one Roger

⁵⁵ *Hening*, Vol. II, p. 556.

⁵⁶ As far as the present editor knows, these documents are here published for the first time.

potter & M^r Bryan Smith, came to yo^r petr^s howse where they together with W^m Hartwell, Richard Awborne & Sam^l Mathews, did take & carry away from of yo^r petr^s plantation, fower English servants, seven Negroes, & all his howsehold goods, Bedds, Lining, & other estate, which by a reasonable value amounts to att least fower hundred punds sterl. to the almost utter ruin of yo^r petr^s: Two of which English servants & the said seven Negroes are in possession of Maj^r Robert Beverlye who utterly refuseth to deliver them to yo^r. petr^s. and one other of the said English servants is deytained by the said Bryan Smith

Yo^r. Petr^s. therefore humbly presents the premisses to yo^r. Hon^{rs}. serious consideration, praying that the said potter, Smith & Beverlye may appear before yo^r. Hon^{rs}. to answeere the same, & if upon Examination itt shall apeare to be a Grievance—that then yo^r Hon^{rs} will make such order here, & Report thereof to his Ma^{ty}: as to yo^r. Hon^{rs}. shall seeme expedient.

And yo^r petr^s. shall ever pray etc. etc.

Virginia 19 die Maij 1677

It is hereby ordered that Roger Potter, Robert Beverley and Bryan Smith doe severally give in good securitie for such goods & servants of the Petitioner's (Richard Clarke) as are in their or any of their possession or Custody, together with a true Inventory of the same, to be Registered on Record in the Secretary's office, as also security against any wilfull wast or embezzlement of the said Estate, or any part thereof, & to be accountable for the meane profitts till his Majesties Royall Pleasure be knowne, which Bond for performance hereof is to bee given in before the next Justice or Justices

of the Peace where the partie lives in whose possession the said Goods & Servants or other Estate of the Said Clarke is or shall be found.

Herb. Jeffreys

Francis Moryson⁵⁷

2. The case of M^r. Richard Clarke of New Kent County, humbly presented upon oath to the Hon^{ble}. Com^r. for the affairs of Virg^{la}.

During the late unhappy times the complainant being under y^e same force the whole country was, and haveing a small estate on which he hoped to live comfortably, and endeavouring the preservation thereof, the late Grand Rebell Nath^l. Bacon Jun^r. when he laid seige to James Town & all the Neighbourhood under his absolute comand, the said Bacon sent six troopers to the Complainant with a Comission as Captⁿ. upon which he confeseth being constrained thereunto, he came with Eight of his Neighbours where he staid two Days, in that time he acquainted Bacon of his unskillfulness in military affairs, and protested ag^{te} Bacons plundering & fyreing, upon which the compl^t. returned home, & never bore Armes or associated with Bacon or (either before or after) taking any mans goods, or concerning himself in y^e troubles but remained peaceably att his owne howse. That after Bacon dyed Ingram sent twice for the complainant & offered him the like Commission, but he would not otherwise accept it then by securing his owne family & estate for that he lay open to the River & soe lyable to be plundered by many that lay privily lurking & skulking to plunder, & the Complainant confeseth that seven of his Neighbours for their security came to the complainants howse where they continued fower days; & on the twenty fowerth day of December last, they went from

⁵⁷ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 1, Vol. 40, No. 5.

thence and the same day he with his wife went on a visitt to M^r. W^m. Beackey's att least twenty miles from his howse and in the time of his being there a party of men under the Command of Roger potter, with whome was Bryan Smith, Richd. Awborne, W^m. Hartwell, & Sam^l. Mathews, came to this deponant's howse (as he can well prove) & carryed away fower English servants, seven Negroes, and all his howsehold goods & other estate, which by a moderate computation amounteth to fower hundred pounds sterl. besides his payd bills, accompts for debts due to him amounting to att least twenty three thousand pounds of tobacco, Which Negroes & two of the English servants Maj^r Robert Beverlye hath in his custody & denys to deliver them to this deponant, pretending he bought them of the souldiers he being then their cheife Commander (as the dep^t. is informed) And one other of y^e Deponants English servants is detayned by the said Bryan Smith who also refuseth to redeliver him.

Richard Clarke

Jurat 19 die Maij 1677

coram nobis

Herb. Jeffreys

Francis Moryson⁵⁸

3. To the Hon^{bl^e} Herbert Jeffreys Esq^o: S^r John Berry K^{nt} & Francis Moryson Esq^r his most sacred Ma^{ties}: Com^r: for Virginia

The humble petition & grievance of Robert Lowder, John Cocker & Robert porter planters of New Kent County Most humbly sheweth

That yo^r pet^s: Amongst other Inhab^{ts}: of this late disloyall Colony have been seduced into & forced into the late unhappy Rebellion, for w^{ch} (out of a deepe sense of their guilt) they doe most heartily repent, and have laid holde of his Ma^{ties} most gracious pardon, taken the oath of

⁵⁸ Public Record Office, London. C. O. I, Vol. 40, No. 6.

obedience, & resolved to continue his most sacred Ma^{ty}:
loyall subjects:

But soe itt is may itt please yo^r. Hon^s. that M^r. Bryan
Smith hath lately by force & threats compelled yo^r. pet^s:
to give him bills for the sum of 4250 ^{lbs} of tobacco & Caske
under pretence that yo^r. pet^s. in the late Rebellion killed his
hoggs, & threatnes that unless we would give our bill for
y^t summe he would immediately comitt us to prison, soe yt.
we being under that dures & feere, did pass our bills, but
we having read yo^r Hon^s. declaration to the Inhab^{ts}. of this
Colony to present their grievances do therefore:

Most humbly Complain of the said force & compulsion
of the said M^r Smith, & humbly begg such releife therein
as to yo^r. hon^s. in yo^r. mature Judgm^{ts}. shall be thought
meete

And yo^r pet^s shall ever pray for y^e kings Ma^{ty}: & yo^r.
hon^s. everlasting prosperity and the peace & wellfare
of this poore Colony

Robert Lowder

John Cocker

signed :

Robert Porter

M^d. to send for Smith ☉ order of the Com^{rs}:⁵⁹

4. To the Hon^{ble}. Herbert Jeffries Esq^r. S^r. John Berry
Kn^t. & Francis Morison Esq^r. his most sacred Ma^{ty} Com^{rs}.
for Virginia

The humble petition of Stephen Tarleton of New Kent
County Most humbly sheweth

That yo^r pet^r being as he most penitently & sorrowfully
acknowledgeth seduced into the late horrible Rebellion, &
taken y^t unlawful oath imposed by the late grand Rebell
Nathaniell Bacon Jun^r., & being conscious of his guilt

⁵⁹ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 1, Vol. 40, No. 25.

thereof, did upon the firste publishing his most sacred Ma^{ties}: gracious & surpassing Act of pardon, to his distressed subjects of this late disloyall Colony lay hold of the same, & take the oath of Allegiance & then was & still is ready to performe those other due & reasonable Conditions which by his Ma^{ties}: said pardon he is justly enjoyned to doe, & being by the hon^{ble} Govern^r. proclamation of the 9th of ffebruary last referred to the determination of yo^r hon^{rs}.

Yo^r Pet^r. therefore in all humility beseecheth Mercy & pardon for his said Crimes, and humbly prayeth y^t. he may be admitted to the full benefit of his Ma^{ties} said Act of pardon

And he as in duty bound, shall ever pray etc. etc.⁶⁰

On January 29, 1677, the commissioners sent over by the English Government to inquire into and report upon the state of affairs in the colony arrived in Virginia. When they let it be known that they would receive and examine "grievances" that were duly signed and sworn to, many such "grievances," complaining of the oppressions which had caused the Rebellion, were presented by the inhabitants of various counties and parishes—and among these documents was the following from Blisland Parish, which, it is believed, is here published for the first time:

To the Honorable Herberte Jeffries Esq^r. S^r John Berrie Knighte ffrancis Morrison Esq^r his Maiesties Commissioners appointed to Enquire into, and to make reporte to his most Exelent Maiestie of the Grievances and pressur's of his Maiesties Subjects of this his Maiesties plantation of Virginia.

We his Maiesties most obedient and Gratefull Subiects being Some of y^e Inhabitants of the parishe of Blisland,

⁶⁰ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 1, Vol. 40, No. 31.

in the Countie of New Kent, in obedience to his Maiesties Condescention and Pardon, doe humbly present to you^r. honou^r's these followinge Greivances and pressures.

Wee present as an insupportable Greivance the greate taxes impos'd upon us yearely, especially the sixtie pounds P^o poll wth for two years together was levied upon the Countrie, over and beside all ordenarie and Legall [] for the publike, Countie and parishe,

Wee present as a most Heavie Greivance the late frequent Horrid and barbarous Murthers Committed and P^opetuated upon our ffellow Subjects by the P^ofidious Indians, the Manifould Rapins and depredations by them Committed upon our stocks and estates, and still Expectinge releife, but no order was taken but only that wee should draw together at Least tenne able men to one house, Whereupon ensued the Lamentable burninge of Houses, and Severall Kild P^o the Indians, in adventuringe to goe to there plantation to make some Corne.

We present as a greivance the Greate exactions of shirriffes, although the Compleate Sallarie of Tenn in the Hundred be raised wth y^o Leavie, yet in Case a man hath not tobacco readie at his owne house, he will not receive it at any other place wthout the allowance of Tenn pounds more for every hundred more

We present as a greivance, the sellinge of strong drinke at any place where the Countie Courte is kept during the Courte day or what time the Courte shall sitt or Continue, it breeding Matter of protraction in the Countie afayres, to the great expence and Losse of time to those that live remote

We present as a maniffest Greeance the ffert Duties Mentioned in the printed booke of Acts of Assemblie Levied upon the ships ffor and towards a Magazeene, it being as we Conceive for the use of the publike, notwthstandinge when we are at any time Called fourth by publicke au-

thorie upon any Millitarie occation, we are forced to find our selves Amunition upon our private Charge, nor canne we understand, who have, or to what use imployed the sayd Amunition soe rayseed to soe Nessesarie and good intent

We present as a great greevance the imposition of two shillings the Hogshead, we humbly Conceive if Narrowly Looked into, and imploy'd accordinge to the true intent and Meaninge of the express words of the acte, it would Lessen the Leavie and give Mutch Creaditt to the publicke Dated the 2th day of Aprill 1677 we the subscribers have sett our names or Markes⁶¹

Rees Hughes	[]sephe Pease
[]illiam Adkins	[]n Hill ⁶⁷
John Lucerie ⁶² [?] Jonio ^r	David Crafford ⁶⁸
James Blackwell ⁶³	George Phillips
Lewis Williams	John Longworthe
John Mackoy ⁶⁴	John Roe [?]
[]icholas Barnhouse ⁶⁵	Thomas Tilsley
[]obert Harman ⁶⁶	Peter Mafsie
[]eeffery Davis	Edward Gray
[]rancis Little	James Perrine

⁶¹ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 1, Vol. 39, No. 86.

⁶² *John Lucerie Jonio^r*. This name should possibly have been rendered "Ducerie." The editor is uncertain what the correct reading is.

⁶³ *James Blackwell*. A certain James Blackwell was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁶⁴ *John Mackoy*. A certain Jn^o Mackoy was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁶⁵ [] *icholas Barnhouse*. See page xi.

⁶⁶ [] *obert Harman*. A certain Robt. Harman was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁶⁷ [] *n Hill*. See page 69, "To Sarah Haukins for Cureing John Hill^s Legg—00500." Oct. 12, 1738.

⁶⁸ *David Crafford*. A certain David Craford Jun^r was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

Edward Burton	Andrew Spraglinge
John fleming ⁶⁹	Charles Millsford ⁷³ [?]
Robert Anderson ⁷⁰	Thomas Page
Thomas Gittins	Luke Haward
Martin Mid[]lton	Charles Bostike ⁷⁴
Thomas Glasse	Thomas Mooreman
John Dawes	James Garrett
Charles Lovall ⁷¹	Tho: Lownell
Giles Andrewes	John Baughan ⁷⁵
Henry Snead	James Niccoll [?]
Robert Hughes ⁷²	Nichols Lawsons ⁷⁶
Rch: Corley	Edward Johnson
	James Austin ⁷⁷

⁶⁹ *John fleming*. A certain Chas. fleming was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷⁰ *Robert Anderson*. In a patent dated Apl. 22, 1670 (and recorded on p. 78 of *Patent Book* No. 6 in the Virginia Land Office) to 4150 acres in "Pamunkey Necke," there occurs, in the list of persons on account of whose transportation into Virginia the land was granted, the name of Robt. Anderson.

⁷¹ *Charles Lovall*. A certain Chas. Lovell was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷² *Robert Hughes*. A certain Robt. Hughes was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷³ *Charles Millsford*. This name should possibly have been rendered "Willsford" or "Hillsford." The editor is uncertain what the correct reading is.

⁷⁴ *Charles Bostike*. See page xlix, where, under date of May 19, 1682, Charles Bostwicke, of New Kent County, is ordered committed to the custody of the Sheriff of York County for, "words greatly encourageing the present distractions, by cutting up Tobacco plants." Note also that a certain Chas. Bostick was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷⁵ *John Baughan*. A certain Jn^o Baughan was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷⁶ *Nichols Lawsons*. A certain Nick: Losfen was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷⁷ *James Austin*. In a patent dated May 15, 1670 (and recorded on p. 463 of *Patent Book* No. 6 in the Virginia Land Office) to a tract

Rowland Horsley ⁷⁸	<u>Edward Morgan</u>
William Daniell	Edmund Price
Thomas Geeves [?]	William Carter [?]
James Moore	<u>Henry Turner⁸²</u>
Richard Horsl ⁷⁹	Will : Mosse ⁸³
will wrighte ⁸⁰	John Wakefeild
Edward Dorrell	Henry Strange
Roger Pouncie ⁸¹	Josi Addison [?]
James Smith	Roger Burgis
william Garnatis [?]	John Barnett ⁸⁴
Edward Harrison	John Vaughan ⁸⁵
Thomas Mims	Gregory barnatt ⁸⁶
Richard Sidwell	

of land on the south side of the Mattaponi occurs the name of Sam Oustin. Note also that a certain James Austin was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷⁸ *Rowland Horsley*. A certain Rouland Hor[ley] was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁷⁹ *Richard Horsl*. This signature was left unfinished and has evidently been scratched through with a pen.

⁸⁰ *will wrighte*. In a patent dated Apl. 22, 1670 (and recorded on p. 78 of *Patent Book* No. 6 in the Virginia Land Office) to 4150 acres in "Pamunkey Necke," there occurs, in the list of persons on account of whose transportation into Virginia the land was granted, the name of Arth. Wright.

⁸¹ *Roger Pouncie*. See page xi.

⁸² *Henry Turner*. A certain Hen: Turner was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁸³ *Will: Mosse*. A certain W^m Moss was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁸⁴ *John Barnett*. In a patent dated Sep. 4, 1670 (and recorded on p. 77 of *Patent Book* No. 6 in the Virginia Land Office) to 1900 acres in "Pamunkey Necke," there occurs, in the list of persons on account of whose transportation into Virginia the land was granted, the name of W^m Barnett.

⁸⁵ *John Vaughan*. A certain Jn^o Vaughan was a proccessioner in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 10.

⁸⁶ *Gregory barnatt*. See note above on *John Barnett*.

Robert Speare ⁸⁷	Richmond Terrell ⁹²
Henry Greene ⁸⁸	John Blomefield
John Waddell ⁸⁹	W ^m [?] Plant
W ^m ffalconer	John Bright
Andrew Sharp	George Coxe ⁹³
Edward Walton	Tho Stubs
Henry winifride	Geo: Smith ⁹⁴
Sam : wrighte ⁹⁰	John Roper ⁹⁵ [?]
Will : Rosse ⁹¹	John Lane

Within little more than five years after the suppression of Bacon's Rebellion, the Colony of Virginia was the scene of another uprising—the Tobacco Riots—and again New Kent was among the counties most deeply involved in the disturbance.

⁸⁷ *Robert Speare*. A certain Rob^t Speare was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 10.

⁸⁸ *Henry Greene*. A certain Hen: Green was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 10.

⁸⁹ *John Waddell*. A certain John Waddell was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 10.

⁹⁰ *Sam: wrighte*. See note above on *will wrighte*.

⁹¹ *Will: Rosse*. A certain W^m Ross was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 10.

⁹² *Richmond Terrell*. See within, pp. 75 to 179, where a certain Richmond Terrell appears continuously from 1740 to 1768 as a Vestryman of Blisland Parish.

⁹³ *George Coxe*. A certain Geo. Cox was a processioneer in the Pamunkey Neck district of St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 11.

⁹⁴ *Geo: Smith*. A certain Geo: Smith was a processioneer in St. Peter's Parish in the year 1689. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, p. 10.

⁹⁵ *John Roper*. See page xxxiii, where a certain John Roper is mentioned as being one of the church wardens of St. Peter's Parish in the year 1688. This John Roper was a vestryman of St. Peter's as early as 1686, and is listed in 1689 as a processioneer. See MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, pp. 7, 3, and 10.

During the session of the General Assembly that met at Jamestown June 8, 1680, it was enacted "that there be within two months next, and immediately after the publication hereof in every respective county within this his majesties colony ffifty acres of land purchased by the ffeoffees of the severall counties at the rates hereafter sett downe and measured about, layd out and appointed for a town for storehouses, &c. for such county as is hereafter sett downe and expressed, that is to say, . . .

In New Kent county att the Brick house a long the high land from marsh to marsh"⁹⁶

The underlying cause of the passage of the above Act was the low price of tobacco prevailing at the time, a price which the various provisions of the Act would, it was hoped, tend to raise. However, the Act had an effect directly opposite to the one intended, and in the event it was itself one of the main contributing causes of widespread tobacco riots, when groups of poor tobacco planters went about destroying tobacco plants in the beds before they could be transplanted. These riots began in Gloucester County, but soon spread to Middlesex and New Kent. The connection between Act V of the General Assembly of 1680 and the tobacco riots of May-August, 1682, in which many of the inhabitants of Blisland Parish must have been implicated, is well given in a report made on May 4, 1683, by the Council to Governor Culpeper.⁹⁷

Among the existing records bearing witness to the fact that New Kent County and, by implication, Blisland Parish were involved in the Tobacco Riots of 1682 are the following:

1. A letter of the Secretary of Virginia, Nicholas Spencer, to Sir Leoline Jenkins, dated May 8, 1682, in which he

⁹⁶ *Hening*, Vol. II, pages 471-478.

⁹⁷ *Hening*, Vol. II, page 561.

writes that the tobacco riots in Gloucester are now spreading to New Kent;⁹⁸

2. An Order, dated May 19, 1682, for the committal of Stephen Tarleton and Charles Bostwicke, of New Kent County, to the custody of the Sheriff of York County for "words greatly encouraging the present distractions; by cutting up Tobacco plants";⁹⁹

3. An Order, dated May 23rd, 1682, for the suspension of John Woodington, of New Kent County, from his office of Justice of the Peace, and for his committal to the custody of the Sheriff of York County for his failure to check "y^e Plant Cutters" and for his encouraging them "to proceed in their riotous and tumultuous manners and to cut up other plants";¹⁰⁰

4. A letter of Sir Henry Chicheley, Acting Governor, to Sir Leoline Jenkins, dated May 30, 1682, in which he writes: "Things are much improved, thank God, since my last, though the rioters persisted by day or night till they had destroyed the plants of near three parts of Gloucester, half New Kent, the lower part of Middlesex," etc.¹⁰¹

In connection with the order above for the committal to custody of Stephen Tarleton and Charles Bostwicke, it is of interest to note (1) that the former had been somewhat deeply implicated in Bacon's Rebellion, that in May 1682 he was under arrest for complicity in the Tobacco Riots, and that nevertheless within three and a half years thereafter he was holding the prominent position of vestryman

⁹⁸ *Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series, America and West Indies, 1681-1685*, p. 228, No. 495.

⁹⁹ *Executive Journals of the Council of Colonial Virginia*, Vol. I (1680-1699), p. 21.

¹⁰⁰ *Ibid*, p. 22.

¹⁰¹ *Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series, America and West Indies, 1681-1685*, p. 241, No. 531.

in St. Peter's Parish¹⁰²; and that (2) a certain Charles Bosticke was one of the signers of the Blisland Parish Grievances of 1677¹⁰³ and that in the year 1689 Char: Bostick was appointed a processioner in St. Peter's Parish.¹⁰⁴

The uprising known as the Tobacco Riots of 1682 was the last disturbance of more than local importance that Blisland Parish figured in until the outbreak of the American Revolution. Meanwhile, however, a number of events took place that doubtless were of more or less interest to the people of the parish generally. Perhaps the first of these events—a mere incident except to the persons chiefly concerned in it—is the one graphically recorded in the following entry in the Executive Journals of the Council:

Fryday y^e 30th of October 1696

Anne Grey of Blisland Parish in New Kent County convicted and condemned for y^e murder of John Reynolds, presenting a petition sign'd by many of the principal Inhabitants of this Colony praying a reprove for her, & being rep^resented to his Excellency by y^e Council as an object of mercy his Ex^{cy} granted her a reprove till the fourth day of October Gen^l Court next that in the mean time she may apply for his Ma^s Grace and pardon.¹⁰⁵

In the year 1702 Blisland Parish, now much reduced in area since its first days, contained only 526 tithables.¹⁰⁶

On July 29, 1703, Sir Edward Northey, Knight, her Majesty's Attorney General, rendered his opinion upon the

¹⁰² MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, page 2, under the date Nov. 16, 1685.

¹⁰³ See page xlv.

¹⁰⁴ MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, page 11.

¹⁰⁵ *Executive Journals of the Council of Colonial Virginia*, Vol. I, page 359.

¹⁰⁶ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 5, Vol. 1312, No. 38¹¹. *List of the Parishes, Tythables, Ministers, etc. in Virginia in July 1702.*

Act of Assembly of the Colony of Virginia "relating to the Church and particularly Concerning Induction of Minist^{rs}." On the 3rd of March following, this opinion was read at a Council held at Williamsburg, and the Governor, Francis Nicholson, in Council was pleased to order that a copy of it be sent "to the Churchwardens of each parish within this Colony Requiring them upon receipt thereof forthwith to Call a vestry, and there to cause the Same to be read and entered into the vestry book to the intent the S^d vestry may offer to his Excellency what they think proper thereupon."¹⁰⁷

In reply to the order contained in the Governor's letter, the vestry of Blisland Parish wrote as follows:

To his Excell^{cy} ffrancis Nicholson Esq^r her Majestys Lieu^t and Govern^r Gen^l of Virginia

We the Subscribers the Vestry for Blissland ¶ish in New Kent County humbly Acquaint your Excellency that the Rev^d M^r Daniel Taylor our present Minister hath hitherto Aproved himself a person Every way answerable to your Excellencys Charact:^r We therefore think ourselves in Duty and Gratitude Obliged to ¶sent the Reverend M^r Danil Taylor whome if yo^r Excell.^{cy} pleases to admitt, We humbly desire may be Instituted & Inducted into our parish and we shall be Most thankfull who are

Yo^r Excell^{cy}'s Most Dutyfull and
Humble Servants to power

W^m Bassett

Roger Thompson } Church ward^s
John Vaughon }

¹⁰⁷ *Vestry Book of Petsworth Parish, Gloucester County, Virginia, 1677-1793*, pp. 80-81. See also *Ibid.*, pp. 78-79 for a copy of Sir Edward Northey's "opinion."

Warick Mohun
 Joell Croome
 George Clough
Rich Bamshaw

Jn° Dibdall
 Tho Taylor
 Jn° Pettis
 Jn° Hockaday
 George Keeling¹⁰⁸

It is to be noted that Blisland Parish, through its vestry, asked that its minister be inducted, as did also Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County¹⁰⁹; while the vestry of St. Peter's Parish, New Kent County, wrote, "that they are not for Inducting the Minister not for any dislike they have to him but that the whole ¶ijh in Gen¹¹ is ag^t Induction"¹¹⁰; and the vestry of Petsworth Parish, Gloucester County, at first ignored the Governor's letter of March 3, 1704, but being admonished by the latter in a second communication written nearly seven weeks later (April 18), they submitted themselves and wrote to the Governor humbly praying his Excellency to grant their minister, the Rev. Emanuel Jones, institution and induction.¹¹¹

On June 18, 1724, the Rev. John Brunskill, Minister of Wilmington Parish, wrote the following in reply to a letter from the Lord Bishop of London asking for information about the parish:

"It is about 30 miles in length and nine in breadth and contains about 180 Families, white, Christian people."¹¹²

In reply to a similar letter addressed to him, the Rev. Daniel Taylor, Minister of Blisland Parish, wrote that

¹⁰⁸ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 5, Vol. 1314, No. 63^{xvii}.

¹⁰⁹ *Vestry Book of Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, Virginia, 1663-1767*, pp. 98-100.

¹¹⁰ MS. Vestry Book of St. Peter's Parish, New Kent County, Virginia, 1684-1758, pp. 68-72.

¹¹¹ *Vestry Book of Petsworth Parish, etc.*, pp. 79-81; also Public Record Office, London. C. O. 5, Vol. 1314, No. 63^{xvii}.

¹¹² Perry, *Historical Collections relating to the American Colonial Church*, Vol. 1—Virginia, pp. 277-279.

Blisland was thirty miles long and contained one hundred and thirty six families.¹¹³

In connection with the letter of the Rev. Mr. Brunskill above referred to, it is to be noted that in accordance with the provisions of Act XII of the General Assembly of May 9, 1723, the parish of Wilmington was due to be dissolved on March 1, 1725.¹¹⁴

That the Act of Assembly dissolving Wilmington Parish did not in all its provisions meet with the approval of all the inhabitants of the parish is evident from the following:

Thursday, February 8, 1727

Also a petition of sundry Inhabitants of that part of the parish of *Blisland* which was formerly a part of the s'd dissolved parish of *Wilmington*, praying that that part of the parish may be united to the parish of the *St. Peters*, were severally presented to the House & read

Resolved, that the said petitions be Rejected.¹¹⁵

From a paper in the Public Record Office, London, dated 1729 and entitled "The present State of Virginia," it appears that at that date New Kent County was 97,325 acres in extent; that there were 1364 tithables in the county; that the Sheriff was W^m Kenney; that the Coroners were John Scott and Rich^d Richardson; that the Burgesses were Rich^d Richardson and John Bacon; that the Justices of the Peace were John Scott, John Sclater, Charles Lewis, William Macon, Nich^s Aldersey, William Kenney, Rich^d Richardson, Thomas Bray, Ebenezer Adams, Thomas Massie, William Morris, Joseph ffoster, Robert Lewis, John Otey,

¹¹³ Perry, *Historical Collections relating to the American Colonial Church*, Vol. 1—Virginia, pp. 279-281.

¹¹⁴ *Hening*, Vol. IV, p. 141. See also within, pages xxix and xxx and page 15, where under the date April 24, 1725, it is recorded that three former vestrymen of Wilmington Parish were sworn in as vestrymen of the parish of Blisland.

¹¹⁵ *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia 1727-1740*, p. 13.

Charles Massie, and W^m Makain—of whom the last six constituted the “Quorum”; that the County Clerk was John Thornton; that there were two parishes, Blisland, with the Rev. Daniel Taylor as minister, and St. Peter’s, with the Rev. Mr. Mossom as minister; that the Surveyor was John Syme; and that the County Lieutenant was John Carter, Esq^r.¹¹⁶

In the *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia* there occurs the following item relative to the Rev. Chicheley Thacker, Minister of Blisland Parish:

Monday, November 13, 1738.

Ordered, That the Thanks of this House be return’d to the Rev. M^r Chichley Thacker, for his excellent Sermon Yesterday, preach’d before this House; And that M^r Conway, M^r Fitzhugh, M^r Willis, and M^r Carter, acquaint him therewith.

Ordered, That One Thousand Copies of the said Sermon be printed, at the Public Charge, to be proportioned amongst the several Counties in this Colony; to be distributed by the respective Courts of the said Counties, in the best Manner, for the Comfort of Christians, against the groundless Objections to the Divinity and Dignity of the Blessed Jesus.¹¹⁷

In 1738 a difference of opinion arose over the desirability of continuing the public warehouse at Taskanask, which was situated probably near the mouth of the creek of that name flowing into York River between Ware Creek and Scimino Creek,¹¹⁸ and petitions pro and con were presented to the General Assembly. The following entry on page 336 of the *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1727-*

¹¹⁶ Public Record Office, London. C. O. 5, Vol. 1322, pp. 235-254.

¹¹⁷ *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1727-1734, 1736-1740*, p. 338.

¹¹⁸ See Frontispiece Map.

1740, shows the interest of the people of Blisland Parish in the matter :

Wednesday December 6, 1738

The House proceeded to the Consideration of the Report from the Committee of Propositions and Grievances, upon the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Parish of *Blisland*, in the County of *New Kent*, for repealing the Public Warehouse at Taskanask . . .

Resolved that the said Warehouse be discontinued, and another instead thereof, appointed at the *Brick-house*¹¹⁹

At some time during the year 1751, or possibly in January or February 1752, on three successive Sundays, those present at divine service in the parish church of Blisland were treated to what in those days was probably not an unusual interruption to the regular order of service, when there was read out a notice that application would be made to the next General Assembly for the passage of "An Act for docking the entail of certain lands in the county of James-City, and vesting the same in Thomas Chamberlayne, gentleman, in fee simple; and for settling other lands of greater value to the same uses."¹²⁰

On page 124 of this volume is recorded an Order of Vestry, "that the Church Wardens of this Parish do Sell the Glebe Land in James City County, Pursuant to an Act of Assembly made in 1753." The preliminary legislative action which made that order possible was as follows:

Monday December 17th [1753]

The Bill intituled *An Act to enable the Vestry of the Parish of Blisland in the Counties of James City & New*

¹¹⁹ The Fry & Jefferson map locates the Brick-house near the point where the modern Richmond-West Point highway crosses the Pamunkey at West Point. (See Frontispiece Map.)

¹²⁰ *Hening*, Vol. VI, pp. 319-320. See also *Ibid.*, pp. 321-324.

Kent to sell a Plantation and two Hundred Acres of Land in the said Parish, and to buy Communion plate & Ornaments for the lower Church in that Parish with the Purchase Money. was read the first Time . . . Read a Second Time . . . Read . . . a Third Time . . . Resolved that the said Bill be agreed to.¹²¹

Wednesday December 19, 1753

The Blisland parish bill [to sell land and buy Church plate and ornaments] passed.¹²²

It is a well-known fact that George Washington's wife, Martha (Dandridge) Custis, was a native of New Kent County, and that at the time of her marriage to Col. Washington she was the mistress of the White House plantation, on Pamunkey River, in St. Peter's Parish, New Kent. It is also well-known that Anna Maria Dandridge, Mrs. Washington's sister, was the wife of Col. Burwell Bassett, of "Eltham," in Blisland Parish, New Kent County. Under the circumstances it was natural that Washington stopped frequently and visited somewhat widely in New Kent when travelling through that county on his many trips from "Mt. Vernon" to Williamsburg and back again. Among the entries in Washington's diaries mentioning people, homes, and churches in New Kent County visited by him between May 7, 1768, and Nov. 16, 1773, are the following, which are taken from John C. Fitzpatrick's, *The Diaries of George Washington, 1748-1799*:

Vol. I, p. 268

1768, May 7. Came up to Colo. Bassett's to Dinner.

8. Went to Church and returned to Dinner.

11. Dined at the Glebe with Mr. Davis.

¹²¹ *Legislative Journals of the Council of Colonial Virginia*, Vol. II, p. 112.

¹²² *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1752-1758*, p. 170.

Vol. II, p. 18

- 1771, May 15. Dined at Mrs. Chamberlayne's with Mrs. Washington, and returned to Colo. Bassett's in the Eveng.
16. Dined at Mrs. Dangerfield's with Colo. Bassett's Family, and returned in the afternoon to Eltham.
18. Rid to the Brick House . . . and returned to Dinner, after which went to Mr. Davis's and Drank Tea.
19. Went to Church and returned to Colo. Bassett's to Dinner.

Vol. II, p. 59

- 1772, April 4. Took a Cold dinner at Mr. Southal's and came up to Eltham in the afternoon.
5. Went to see Mrs. Dandridge betwn. Breakfast and Dinner.

Vol. II, p. 86

- 1772, Nov. 8. At Colo. Bassett's all day.
10. Rid up with Mr. Hill to Rockahock, and Plantations in New Kent, and returned, after Dining with Mrs. Chamberlayne, to Colo. Bassett's at Night. Mr. Custis went with me.

Vol. II, p. 130

- 1773, Nov. 16. Went with Mrs. Washington and Mr. Custis to Mr. Burbidge's to see Mr. Bat Dandridge. Stayd all Night.

In commenting on several of the above entries, Mr. Fitzpatrick, largely following the late Dr. Joseph Meredith Toner, makes one or two mistakes. He says:

(1) That Mr. Davis was "The Rev. Thomas Davis later minister of Christ Church, Alexandria. He officiated at Washington's funeral (Toner)."

The Mr. Davis referred to here by Washington was without doubt the Rev. Price Davies, Rector of Blisland Parish, of which Col. Burwell Bassett was then (1768) a vestryman, and the Upper Church of which was within a few miles of "Eltham," Col. Bassett's home.

(2) That Mrs. Chamberlayne was "Mrs. William Chamberlayne, Williams' Ferry on the Pamunkey. According to tradition it was at Col. William Chamberlayne's house that Washington first met Mrs. Martha Custis, the widow of Daniel Parke Custis, and it was he who introduced Washington to his future wife."

The Mrs. Chamberlayne referred to here by Washington was most probably Mrs. Richard Chamberlayne, the daughter-in-law of William Chamberlayne, who died in 1736. William Chamberlayne's widow, Elizabeth (Littlepage) Chamberlayne remarried less than four years after her first husband's death. Her second husband was William Gray, of New Kent County.¹²³

(3) That the church Washington says he attended on May 19, 1771, was "St. Peter's Episcopal Church, New Kent County."

It is most improbable that the church here referred to by Washington was St. Peter's Church. It was almost certainly the Upper Church of Blisland Parish, which Washington's brother-in-law and host, a vestryman of the parish, naturally attended. Incidentally, had Washington, who only the day before had visited the Rev. Mr. Price Davies at the latter's home, the Glebe, on this day attended service at St. Peter's Church, he would have been doing at one and the same time three somewhat peculiar things:

¹²³ *Henning*, Vol. V, pp. 117-119.

(a) passing by one Episcopal Church near at hand to attend another many miles farther away, (b) neglecting the church of the parish of which his host was vestryman and had frequently been church warden to attend a church in a neighboring parish, and (c) failing to attend the church of which his friend that he had gone to see the day before was the minister and, instead, going off to attend another church. Under the circumstances it is not too much to say that on Sunday, May 19, 1771, Washington attended service at the Upper Church of Blisland Parish. If it was not the Upper Church of Blisland Parish that Washington attended that day, then it was the Lower Church of Blisland, which while at a greater distance from "Eltham" than was the Upper Church, was nearer to "Eltham" than St. Peter's Church was.

The further history of Blisland Parish apart from what is given in the main body of this volume is soon told. Blisland was represented by its minister and a lay delegate in the Diocesan Convention of 1785,¹²⁴ and by lay delegates in the Conventions of 1787 and 1796 to 1799. In 1892 the Diocese of Southern Virginia was cut off from the Diocese of Virginia, the dividing line between New Kent and James City counties being part of the dividing line between the dioceses; therefore Blisland Parish in the Diocese of Virginia now lies wholly in New Kent County, while Blisland Parish in the Diocese of Southern Virginia lies wholly in James City County.

The four-line heading to page 1 of this volume is, of course not a transcript from the original record. The manuscript record begins with the words:

At a Veftry [] Bl[]d Pariſh at []
Brick Church [].

¹²⁴ See page 231.

The facsimile of the Blisland Parish "Grievances" of 1677, between pages xlii and xliii of this introduction, is from a photograph made in London especially for this work. The map which serves as a frontispiece to the volume is from a photostat of a part of the 1775 edition of the map of Virginia drawn by Joshua Fry and Peter Jefferson. At the proper places the names "Blisland Parish" and "Appomattox River," which do not appear on the Fry and Jefferson map, have been inserted with a view to making the map more useful as a guide to students not intimately acquainted with the geography of Tide-Water Virginia.

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It is to be noted that wherever in this preface a date in the Old Style (for example, March 2, 1642/3) occurs in a quoted passage, the date is reproduced as it appears in the original passage: where, however, reference merely is made to a date which in the document from which it is taken appears in the Old Style, it is given in the New Style; for example, the date above would appear as March 2, 1643. This change the editor thinks justified on the ground that it makes it easier for the general reader to follow the chronology.

The editor wishes here to make grateful acknowledgment of his indebtedness to Mr. Joseph W. Geddes, A.I.A., P.A.S.I., of Williamsburg, Va., for the photograph of Hickory Neck Church, which appears as one of the illustrations to this volume, as well as for certain data which served as the basis for the historical note appended to the photograph; to the Rev. Arthur P. Gray of West Point, Va., and to Mr. Rutherford Snell, of Richmond, for helpful suggestions made during the writing of this introduction; and to the Rev. G. MacLaren Brydon, D. D., Historiographer of the Diocese of Virginia, Mr. Morgan P. Robinson, Archivist of the Virginia State Library, and Mr. Wilmer L. Hall, State Librarian, for their courtesy in reading the introduction while in manuscript form. Although in frequent instances changes suggested by these gentlemen have been made, the editor wishes it to be understood that he alone is responsible for the theories and hypotheses advanced in this introduction. As to the main thesis embodied in these pages, that for about four months after the establishment of New Kent County that county and Blisland Parish were most probably coterminous in area, the editor thinks it only fair to himself to state that it is entirely his own, that it occurred to him only very gradually, and that it took final form only after months spent by him in laborious investigation of all the sources available to him.

The editor has read the proof sheets of the Vestry Book several times, and in cases of doubt has always referred to the original manuscript; but he is well aware of the fact that in work of this kind some mistakes are bound to occur, and he can only hope that the mistakes made, whether of judgment or of oversight, in this printed reproduction of the original are few in number. In this connection he would refer the reader to the list of errata—possible, probable, and certain—to be found inserted between the Appendix and the Index. Any one wishing to check up on the

editor in his work can do so by comparing the printed Vestry Book with the original manuscript volume, which is now in the custody of the Archives Division of the Virginia State Library, in Richmond.

C. G. CHAMBERLAYNE.

Richmond, Va.,
May 1, 1935.

The Vestry Book

...of...

Blisland Parish

New Kent County, Virginia, 1721-1786

At a Vestry [] Bl[]d Parish at [] Brick
Church []

P^resent M^r Daniel Taylor Minist^r Cap^t: Nicholas Aldersey
& Cap: [] Kenney Ch w

Will ^m Bassett Esq ^r :	} Pur	M ^r : William Cox	} Vestrymen
Majo ^r : Jn ^o : Thornton		M ^r : William Morris	
Cap ^t : Jn ^o : Hockaday		Cap ^t : Jn ^o : Armistead	
Cap ^t : Geo: Keeling		Hen: Holdcraft	

Whereas m^r John Slaughter: is Come Again to Dwell in
this Parish: he is Now Chosen A Vestryman instead of
Cap^t: John Stanup Deceased: and being p^resent is Sworne
accordingly before Cap^t: Will^m Ken[] a Majistrate of
this County

P^resent M^r Jn^o Slaughter

[] Blisland Parish D^r 1721: this Vestry proceeds to
Lay []

To: M^r: Daniel Taylor Minist^r for a yeares Sall^y:
16000 ^{lb} Tobb: & Conveniency to Ditto: accord-
ing to Law 800 16800

To: Caske to Ditto: according to the Vestryes Agree-
ment for Deficiency of the Glebe 8 p: Cent is 01280

To: M^r Francis: Cooke Cla^rk of y^e Parish for a yeares
Sallary 1500 & Caske to Ditto at 8 p^r C^t & Con-
veniency to di[] 01695

To: Henry Holdcraft Cle ^k of the: Veftry for a years Sall'y 500 & Cafke to Ditto at 8 p ^r Cen ^t	00540
To: Walter Wood Saxton of y ^e Upp ^r Church: his years Sall'y 500 & Cafk to Ditto 40	00540
To: Francis: Shoemaker: Saxton of the Lower Church for a yeares Sall'y 500 & Cafke to Ditto 40	00540
To: M ^r Daniell Taylor Minister for 2 delinqu ^{ts} Re- turned John Langford & Fras Harman	00156
To: M ^r John Doran Sherif & Laft yeares Collect ^r his Acco ^t Adjusted & Allowed	00234
To: Majo ^r : John Thornetons: Fees allowed	00094
To: Cap ^t : John Hockaday his Charge for being An Evidence for the Parifh allowed	00223
To: Thomas Baker his Charge for being An Evi- dence for the Parifh allowed	[*]
To: Thomas Fifher his Order for being An Evidence for y ^e Parifh allowed	[*]
To: William Fifher his Order for Attend ^o being An Evidence for y ^e Parrifh	00648
To: Rich ^d : Halfield for being An Evidence for y ^e Parifh Ord ^r attendce	00228
To: John: Eaton Dep ^t Sherrf of James City County his Fees allowed	[*]
To: Rich ^d : Baker Carpenter his account adjusted and allowed in all	[*]
To: Cap ^t : William Kenney Churchwarden his Acco ^t Allowed	[*]
To: Cap ^t : Nicholas Alderfey Churchwarden his ac- coun ^t allowed	[*]
To: Nathane ^l Norris for his Wifes yeares Maintain- ance 800 & Cafke to Do 64	00864
To: M ^r : David Holt for Keeping Tho Salmon a year 850 & Cafke to Ditto 68	00918

*Figures illegible.—C. G. C.

To: Bryan Henry for his yeares Maintainance 850 & Cafke to Ditto 68	00918
To: Cap ^t : Kenney Churchward ⁿ for paying W ^m Brewin for Keeping Jn ^o Pethwood a year & [†]	[*]
To Sall'y to Receive 31070 ^l Tobb at 5 p ^r Cent is	01553
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Total Deb ^t is	326[*]
Creditt ut Supra	
By: One half of Francis Shoemakers bond for his Daughters fine	250 ^l }
By: 532 Titheables at 61 ^l of Tobbacco p ^r : pole is	32452 } 3270[]
By: 79 ^l of Tobbacco the Surplus to be p ^d the Parish Next year	79

Cap^t: Nicholas Alderfey & Cap^t: William Kenney:
Churchwardens are hereby Discharged from their 3^d Off[]
And M^r William Cox & M^r William Morris are appointed
Churchwardens in their Stead and [] Sworne accord-
ingly: before Cap^t Will^m Kenney a Majestrate of this
County

It is Ordered by this P^resent Vestry that the Church-
wardens take C[] to Agree With Some pers[]
] & Maintain him for the [] and that
what they shall agree for []
]

[2]

It is Ordered by this Present Vestry that: the Parish
Levy for this p^resent year be: Sixty One pou[] of Tob-
baccoe p^r pole and that: M^r John Doran Depu^{ty} Sheriff of
this County Collect the Said su[] of Sixty & One poundes
of Tobbaccoe from Every Individuall Titheable person Within

†Word illegible.—C. G. C.

*Figures illegible.—C. G. C.

[] Pariſh and upon Refuſall of Payment to Levy the Same by Diſtreſs: The S^d Sherriff firſt Entering into Bond With Good & Sufficent Security to the p^rſent Churchwarde[] of this pariſh for Payment of the Said Tobbaccoes to the Severall Reſpective Pariſh Creditors beforementioned to Whome it is Due: in hh^ds of Such weightes and at Such times as the S^d Churchwardens Shall Direct and appoint And that the Clark of the Veſtry Take Bond as aforeſaid before he Deliver Copies of the Pariſh Charge and of this Order of Veſtry to the S^d Collector

Teſt: Hen^r: Holdcraft Clk Veſtry

At: A: Veſtry: held for Bliſland Pariſh: At the Brick Church: the: 10th: day of Octob^r: 1722:

P^rſent: M^r: Dan^l: Taylor: Miniſt^r: M^r William: Cox:
& M^r: Will^m: Morris: Churchwardens

William: Baſſett: Eſq^r: Cap^t: Rich^d: Richardſon

Majo^r: John: Thornton Cap^t: Nich^o: Alderſey

M^r: John Sclater Cap: John Arimſtead

& Henry Holdcraft

Veſtrymen

This Veſtry Proceeds to Lay the Pariſh Levy
1722 Bliſland Pariſh D^r:

To: M ^r Dan ^l : Taylor Miniſt ^r : for A yeares Sall ^y : According to Law	16000
To: Caſke: to Ditto: Allow ^d for the Deficiency of y ^o Glebe: 1280: & Conveniency to ditt	02080
To: Francis Cooke Clarke of the Pariſh for a yeares Sall ^y : 1500 & Caſk & Conv to ditt:	01695
To: Henry: Holdcraft Clarke of the Veſtry for a yeares Sall ^y 500 & CC. to ditto	00565
To: Walter Wood Saxton for a yeares Sall ^y With Caſke 540	00540

To: Fras: Shoemaker Saxton: for a yeares Sallry With Cafke 540	00540
To: M': Dan' Taylor for 4 Delinqu ^{ts} Returned: Allowed	00324
To: Majo' Thorntons for Clerkes Fees Allowed	00080
To: M' John Doran Late Collect': for 2: delinqts Returned Allowed	00162
To Cap ^t : Will ^m : Kenney for Clerkes fees p ^d by him in James City Laft year	00371
To Henry Holdcraft: for 219 ^l Tobbacco p ^d Geo': Weldy: an Evidence laft year	00219
To: Bryan: Henry: for his yeares Maintainance 850 & Cafke to Ditto 68	00918
To: M': Will ^m : Cox Churchwarden his account allowed: £ 1=0=8 Tobbacco	00207
To: Quittrents for the Glebe land for y ^e yeares 1721: & 1722: to M' Jn ^o Doran	00048
To: M': Will ^m : Morris Churchwarden his acco ^t : Adjusted & Allowed With Cafke	01506
To: Bryan Henry for Keeping Tho: Salmon 6 moneths With Cafke Included	00459
To: Bryan Henry for Charge & trouble Attending The: S ^d Salmon in Sicknes & his buryall	00194
To: Nathaniel Norris: for his Wifes Maintaince & for her buryall 432: With Cafke Included Ordered to be paid to Henry Holdcraft: for Necessaryes he: furnished y ^m With	00432
To: Richard Warren: for his Afsistance Towards the Cure of his Sore Legg & CC	
To: Bryan Henry for Keeping Lucey Gilles his Granddaughter a year	00300
To: Sall'y: for Receiveing 27770 pounds of Tobbaco at 5 p ^r Cent 1388	01388

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Credit

By: Parish Credit 79 ^b Tobacco Left Last year in M ^r : Dorans handes	00079
By: 546: Titheables at 53 poundes of Tobacco p ^r pole is	28938
By: Tobacco: Wanting to pay the Parish Debt to be Raifed & paid to the Collecto ^r Nex ^t year	141

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It is Ordered by this p^resent Vestry: that the Parish Levy for this present year be fifty & three poundes of Tobacco: p^r pole And that M^r: John Doran Dep^t Sheriff of this County Collect the S^d Summ of Fifty & three poundes of Tobbacoe from Every Individuall Titheable per^{son} Within this Parish And upon: Refusall of Payment: to Levy the Same by Distres: The S^d Sherrif first Entring into Bond: With Good & Sufficient Security to y^o Present Churchwardens of this Parish for for payment of the S^d Tobbaccos: To the Severall Respective Parish Creditto^rs before mentioned To: Whome it is Due in hh^d of Such Waightes And at Such Times as the S^d Churchwarden[] Shall Direct & Appoint: And that the Clerke of the Vestry Take Bond as aforefaid Before he Deliver Copys of the Parish Charge And this Order of Vestry to y^o S^d Collector

Test Hen^r: Holdcraft Cl^k of y^o Vestry

[4]

At: A: Vestry held for Blisland: Parish: At the Brick Church: October: y^o 11th: 1723

P^resent M^r Daniel Taylor Minister: and: M^r Will Morris Churchward

Majo ^r : John: Thornton	} and }	Cap ^t : Nicholas: Alderfey
Cap ^t : Geo ^r : Keeling		Cap ^t : John: Armistead
M ^r : John: Sclater		Henry: Holdcroft
Cap ^t : Richard: Richardson		
Veftrymen		

Blifl^a: Parifh D^r: 1723

This: p^rsent Veftry proceeds to Lay the Parifh Levy.
(Viz^t)

To: M ^r Daniel Taylor Minifte ^r for a yeares: Sall ^y :	16000
To: Cafke to Ditto: inftead of a Glebe by the Veftrys agreem ^t	01280
To: Conveniency to Ditto According to Law	00800
To: Francis Cooke: Clk ^r : of y ^e Parifh for a yeares Sall ^y 1500 & CC to ditto	01695
To Henry Holdcroft: Cl ^r k of Veftry: for a yeares Sall ^y 500 & CC to Dito	00565
To: Walter: Wood Saxton: his yeares Sall ^y : 500 & Cafke to Do & a brufh	00560
To: Francis Shoemaker: Saxton his yeares Sall ^y 500 & Cafke 40	00540
To: M ^r Dan ^l Taylor for 5 Delinq ^{ts} Returned Viz ^t Gideon Cumbo: Thomas: Evans: William Dowde & Rich ^d Gilmett 2	00265
To: M ^r John Doran late Collecto ^r : for 4 delinq ^{ts} Re- turnd Viz ^t John: Evans: William Filbeach: John Wafher & Negro: Alice: Lifted by him	00212
To: Majo ^r : John Thornton for Copy of Liftes of Titheables	40
To: Bryan Henry for his yeares Maintainance: With Cafke	918
To: M ^r : William Cox Churchwarden his Acco ^t : Al- lowed at 12/6 p ^r	312
To: M ^r William Morris Churchwarden his Account allowed	325

To: M ^r John Doran late Collector his accot & for Glebe laft *[y ^s qtr ^a]	104
To: Bryan Henry for Keeping Lucey Gill	400
To: Rebecca farthing for Keeping John Pethwood a year: With Cafk	756
To: Docto ^r : Rob ^t : Burbidg: his acco ^t : abou ^t Jone Corbett allowed	640
To: <u>M^{rs}: Frances Langley</u> for Keeping Jone Corbet: 4 Months & 3 Weeks	760
To: Richard Waren for: his yeares Maintainance	400
To: M ^r : Doran: for Keeping Reuben Laton & En- deavo ^r to Cure his Legg one year	200
To: Sall ^y : for: 26772: pounds of Tobbaccoe at 5 p ^r Cent is	1338
To: M ^r Doran Collector for Tobbacco: Wanting Laft year to pay y ^e Par Deb ^t	141
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Totall is	28251
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Credit utt Supra	
By: 542 Titheables at 52 pounds Tobb p ^r pole is	28184
By: Tobbacco: Wanting to pay the Pariſh Deb ^t to be Raiſed Next year	00067
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	28251

on the Other Side

[5]

M^r: William Cox and M^r: William Morris late Church-
wardens are hereby Diſcharged: from their Said Office:
And Cap^t: John Arimſtead & Henry Holdcroft are hereby
Apointed Churchwardens for this pariſh and are Sworne
accordingly before Cap^t: Richard Richardſon: a Majeſtrate
of this County

*These two abbreviations were difficult to read. I may not have
read them correctly.—C. G. C.

It is Ordered by this p^rsent Veftry that the Pariſh Levy: for this preſent year be Fifty & Two: poundes of Tobbacco: p^r: pole: And that M^r John Doran Deputy Sherrif of this County: Collect the Said Sum of fifty & two poundes Weight of Tobbbacoe from Every Individuall: Titheable perſon Within this Pariſh: And upon Refuſall of Payment: to Levy the Same by Diſtreſs: according to Law: The S^a Doran firſt Entering into Bond With Good & Sufficent Security to the preſent Churchwardens of this pariſh for the Uſe of the parrſh: for payment of the Said Summes of Tobbacco to the Severall Reſpective pariſh Creditors beforementioned to Whome it is Due: in hhogsheds — of Such Weightes & at Such times as the Said Churchwardens Shall Direct & Appoint: And alſoe Ordered that the Clerk of the Veftry take Bond as aforeſaid before he Deliver a Copie of the pariſh Charge and Copy of this Order of Veftry to the Said Collector

Teſt: Henry: Holdcroft: Cl^k Veftry

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At A Veftry held for Blifland Pariſh at y^o Brick Church:
June: 12th: 1724

P^rſent

M^r: Daniel Taylor Miniſt^r

Cap^t: John Arimſtead
and Henry Holdcroft

Churchward^r

Major John: Thornton

M^r John; Sclater

Cap^t: George: Keeling

M^r: Will: Cox

Cap^t: Richard: Richardſon

M^r: William Morris

Cap^t: W^m: Kenney

} Veftrymen

This p^rſent Veftry proceeds to Lay out this Pariſh into p^rcincts: in Order to have the Tobbacco: plants Numbred According to y^o Late Law for the more Effectuall Improving the Staple of Tobacco.

It is Ordered by this present Vestry That from the head of the Northweſt branch of Ware Creeke Down the Swamp to Holdcrofts Mill and from thence to the Extent of the Pariſh Downwards be One precinct: And from thence to: M^r Coxes Mill Creeke: Another p^recinct: And from M^r: Coxes Mill Creeke to the Main Road: that Leades from Christoph^r Barretts Landing to the Extent of the County Backwards Leaveing Lenleys Plantation in the Lower p^recinct Another: And from the Said Road to the Extent of the Said Pariſh Upwards Another p^recinct

Cap^t: Richard Richardſon And M^r William Morris are Apointed to Examine & Enquire of the Names and Number of the perſons (in the Lower precinct of of this County (Which are Allowed by the S^d Recited Act of Aſſembly) to tend Tobbacco). And the Cropps of the Severall Planters Within the Said precinct: And the Number of Plants Growing on any or Every plantation or Plantations Within the Same: Sometime in the Moneth of July yearly: And that the perſons hereby Appointed Doe take the Oath Appointed by the S^d Act of Aſſembly: before they proceed to Execute this Order

M^r Danⁿ: Allen & M^r John Keen: Are hereby Appointed to Examine & Enquire of the Names & Number of the perſons: in their Precinct: which is Between Ware Creeke and M^r: Coxes Mill Creeke: (Which are Allowed by the S^d Recited Act of Aſſembly: to tend Töbacco) And the Cropps of the Severall Planters Within the Said Precinct and the Number of Plants Growing on any or Every Plantation or Plantations Within the Same Some time in the Moneth of July yearly And that y^o Perſons hereby appointed Doe take the Oath appointed by the Said Act of Aſſembly before the proceed to Execute this Order

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M^r: Richard Clough and M^r Roger Williams are hereby Appointed to Examine & Enquire of the Names and Num-

ber: of the persons in their Precinct wch is (between M^r Coxes Mill Creeke and the Main Road that Leades from Christopher Barretts Landing to the Extent of the County Backwards Leaving Lendleyes Plantation in the Lower Precinct) Which are Allowed by the Said Recited Act of A[s]sembly: to tend Tobbacoe And the Cropps: of the Severall Planters: Within the Said Precinct and the Number of Plants Growing on Any or Every Plantation o^r Plantations Within the Sam[] Sometime in the Moneth of July Yearly: And that the persons hereby appointed doe take the Oath appointed by the Said Act of A[s]sembly before they proceed to Execute this Order

Cap^t: John Foster and Peter Carpenter are Appointed to Examine: & Enquire of the Names and Number of the persons in their precinct (Which is from the Main Road Which Leades from Christopher Barretts Landing to the Extent of this parrish Upward) Which are Allowed by the Said Recited Act of A[s]sembly to tend Tobbacoe: And the Croppes of the Severall Planters Within their Said Precinct: And the Number of Plantes Growing on Any or Every Plantation or Plantations Within the Same Sometime in the Moneth of July Yearly: And that the Persons hereby Appointed: Doe take the Oath Appointed by the Said Act of A[s]sembly before they proceed to Execute this Order

Teft: Henry Holdcroft Cl^k: Veftry

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At: A Veftry held for Blijland Parifh: At the Lower Church: y^o: 5th: day of October Annoque: Domini 1724

P^rjent

M^r: Daniel Taylor: Miniſter: Cap^t: John Arimſtead: & Henry Holdcroft: Churchwardens

Cap ^t : John Hockaday	} & Cap ^t : William Kenney	} Vestrymen
M ^r : William: Cox		
Cap ^t : Geo ^r : Keeling		
M ^r : John: Sclater		
M ^r : Will ^m : Morris		
	Majo ^r John: Thornton	
	Cap ^t : Rich ^d : Richardson	
	Cap ^t : Nicholas Alderfey	

This Present: Vestry: Proceedes to Lay the Parish Levy
Blis^d Parish 1724 D^r Tobbacco

To: M ^r Daniel Taylor Minister for A yeares Sall ^y : 16000 Tobb: & Conveniency to ditto	16800
To: Caske to Ditto instead of A Glebe by the Vestrys Agreement at 8 p ^r Cent:	01280
To: Francis Cooke Cl ^r ke of the Parish for a yeares Sall ^y 1500 & Caske & Conveny to ditto	01695
To: Henry: Holdcroft: Clerke of the Vestry: for a yeares Sall ^y 500: & Caske & Conveny to dito	00565
To: Francis Shoemaker Saxton of the Lower Church a yeares Sall ^y 500 & Caske to ditto 40	00540
To: Richard Waren: Saxton of the Upper Church for years Sall ^y 500 & Caske 40	00540
To: Majo ^r John Thornton for Copyes of the Listes of Titheables	00040
To: Bryan Henry for his yeares Maintainance & Caske	00918
To: Bryan Henry for Keepeing Lucey Gill: A Year	00400
To: M ^r Jn ^o Doran Late Parish Collector for Tobbac- co: Wanting Laft year 67 & Quitt ^r for Glebe	00091
To: Henry Holdcroft: Churchw ^a : for 3 Comunions 300 & Repairing the Church finding Nailes Planck & ^c as by his Account Allowed	00473
To: M ^r Tho: Ballard for John Pethwoods Coffin Al- lowed	00060
To: Rebecca: Farthing for Keeping John Pethwood 3 moneths & two Weekes	00216
To: Elizabeth: Walton for Keepeing Mary Oglefby 3 Moneths: being a parish Child	00150

To: Richard Jones for a Coffin for Widow Hazelwood	00060
To: M ^r William Livingstone for Phijick & for Keeping Mary Burke	00200
To: M ^r John Doran: for: Cureing Sufanna Barker & her Board 3 moneths 1200 and: Cafke & Conveniency to Ditto 168 & for Salivateing William Jones 1000 With Cafke & Conveniency to Ditto: 140 as p ^r Churwadens agreemt & 6 Delinqts in	02820
To: M ^{rs} Margrett Dibdall for Cureing Benjamin Baitch of a Scald: Head & Keeping him a year in Dyet & Cloathes	00700
To: Doctor William Levingstone: for Keepeing Frances Hafewell a bastard Child borne of: his Servant Mary Hafewell: he Giveing Bond to Save the Parijh: Harmeles & Indemnified from any further Charge abo ^t : the S ^a Child	00500
To: Sallary to Receiveing: 28048 ¹¹ of Tobbacc at 5 p ^r Cent is 1402	01402
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Totall Parijh Deb ^t is	29450
Creditt Utt Supra	
By 604: Titheables at 49 ¹¹ pounds of Tobbacco p ^r pole is 29596	29596
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Ballce Due to the Parijh to be allowed by the Collector Next year	146
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	29450

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It is Ordered by this Present Vejtry that the Parijh Levy for this Present year be Forty and Nine Poundes of Tobbaccoe p^r pole: And that M^r John Doran Deputy Sherriff of this County: Collect the Said: Summ of Forty and Nine

poundes of Tobbacco: from Every Individuall Titheable perjon: Within this Pariſh and Upon Refuſall of paym^t to Levy the Same by Diſtreſs According to Law: the Said John Doran firſt Ent ring into Bond With Good & Suffi- cient Security to Henry: Holdcroft: One of the preſen[] Churchwardens: for the Uſe of the S^a Pariſh for the Pay- ment of the Said Summs of Tobbacc[] to the Severall Re- ſpective Pariſh Creditors Above Mentioned to Whome it is due in hhds of Such Weightes and at Such times: as the S^a Churchwarden Shall appoint And it is Alſoe Ordered that Henry Holdcroft Clerke of the Veſtry: and Church- warden take Bond as aforeſaid before he Deliver a Copie of the Pariſh Charge and a Copie of this Order of Veſtry to the Said Collector

It: is Ordered by this preſent Veſtry that A Veſtryman be Choſen for this Pariſh in the Stead of Collonⁿ: William Baſſett Deceaſed And M^r John Doran being preſen^t is Choſen A Veſtryman: for this pariſh And is Sworne Ac- cordingly before M^r John Sclater A Majeſtrate of this County

Cap^t: John Arimſtead haveing ſerved Laſt year: As Churchwarden of this Pariſh: And Refuſeing to Continue Any Longer in the Said Office: M^r John Doran is Ap- pointed Churchwarden in his Stead and is Accordingly Sworne before M^r John Sclater A Majeſtrate of this County

Test: Henry Holdcroft Cl^k of the Veſtry

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At: A: Veſtry held for Blifland Pariſh: At the Brick Church: the 24th: day of Aprill: 1725:

P:^rſent:

M^r Daniell: Taylor: Miniſt^r: M^r: John: Doran & Henry: Holdcroft: Churchwardens

An Act of the said Court of Burgesses, for the better ordering of the said Parish, Passed the 27th day of April: 1775.

Present: Mr. James Taylor Mayor, Mr. Thomas Doran & Henry Goldsmith: Burgesses
Mr. William Cox, Mr. John Deater, Mr. Richard Richardson } Burgesses
Cap. John Remondet, & Cap. Nicholas Alderley. } Burgesses

Mr. George Woodward, Mr. Thomas Williams, & Mr. Thomas Williams: Burgesses, added to this Vestry
by Direction of the Court for the better ordering of the said Parish, as follows appearing in a Special
Accordingly before Cap. John Remondet & Justice of the County

Present: Mr. George Woodward, Mr. Thomas Williams, & Mr. Samuel Woodward } Burgesses

Mr. Samuel Woodward & Mr. Thomas Williams are appointed to view & count the Tobacco plants
in all the precincts which the Parish of Wilmington Parish and is now added to this parish
of the said Parish, for the better ordering of the said Parish, as follows appearing in a Special
Accordingly before Cap. John Remondet & Justice of the County

Whereas Mr. John Hester who was formerly appointed to view & number the Tobacco plants of the said
Parish in the uppermost precinct of this parish, is removed to another part in King William
County: Mr. William Sherman Debit Master is appointed in his stead with the said Corporation:

To view & number the Tobacco plants in that precinct for the said William Sherman Debit Master
the Oath appointed by the Act of Assembly, Entituled an Act for the more Effectual Improve-
ing the staple of Tobacco: before he enter upon the Execution of his said Office

Whereas there has been hundred pounds of Tobacco raised at the said Vestry, & appointed to be disposed
of for Mr. William Cunningham's poor: & being due a certain part of the Body of Mary
Hepburn a servant to the said William: the said said being done before it was brought out above
According to the said Account it is therefore Ordered that the said Cunningham be paid only three
hundred pounds of the said Tobacco: for the Family & Passage in Shipping the said said while it
lasts: and his trouble & Charge about buying it

Resolved: That the wife of James Knox complaining of this Vestry for Relief: & showing that her husband is
long of sound Mind but of a weak Disposition with little of a Memory & Information and that she calls
herself small Children to maintain: and hath not any good ways for her two ways to purchase
any satisfaction for her & her husband self & children: It is therefore Ordered by this Vestry
that Mr. John Doran the late Parish Collector do pay the sum of 150 pounds of
Money to the balance of the five hundred pounds of Tobacco: raised last year: for putting out
Mary Hepburn's said said: for the three hundred paid to Mr. Cunningham: & the said part of James
Knox's said said was in arrears: to pay: that the said said be paid towards the relieving the
said & Family with ease: and it is further Ordered that the Burgesses of this parish do
bind out the said said James Knox's children: as the Law Directs: for her parish Relief: & c.

M^r: William: Cox: M^r: John: Sclater: Cap^t: Richard:
Richardson Cap^t: John: Arimstead; & Cap^t: Nicholas Alderfey—Veftrymen

M^r: George: Woodward: M^r Lancelo^{tt}: Woodward & M^r: Thomas: Williams: being: Added: to this Veftry by: Directions of the Late Law for the Difolving of Willmington Parifh & Now Appearing: are Sworne Accordingly: before Cap^t John Armistead A Juftice of this County

P^refent: M^r George: Woodward: M^r: Thomas: Williams: & M^r Lancelott: Woodward—Veftrymen

M^r Lancelott: Woodward: & M^r Thomas: Williams: are Appointed to View & Count the Tobbacco: plants in: all that precinct: Which: Was Lately: Wilmington Parifh (and is Now Added to this parifh) of Blifland by the S^a Recited Law for the Difolving of Wilmington Parifh and that the S^a Williams and Woodward: Doe Take the Oaths appointed by the Said Act (of Afsembly: Entitled an act for the More Effectuall: Improving the Staple of Tobacco): before: they: Enter Upon the Execution of that Office

Whereas: M^r John Fofter: Who: Was: formerly: Appointed to View & Number The Tobbaccoe plants: With Peter Carpenter in the Uppermoft precincts of this parifh: is Removed: & Dwelles Now in King William County: M^r William Harman: On his Motion is Appointed: in his Stead With the Said Carpenter To: View & Number the Tobbaccoe plants in that precinct the Said William Harman firft Takeing the Oath: Appointed by the Act of Afsembly: Entituled An Act for the More Effectuall Improveing the Staple of Tobbaccoe: before: he: Enter upon the Execution of his Said: Office

Whereas: There: Was five hundred: poundes of Tobbaccoe: Raifed at the Laft Veftry: & Appointed to be difpofed of: for: M^r William Levingftones Keepeing: & binding out: a baftard Child: borne of the Body of Mary Hafwell: A Servant to the Said William: the Said Child being

Dead before it was bound out apprentice According to the Said Agreem^t: it is therefore Ordered that the Said Livingstone be paid Only Three hundred poundes of the Said Tobbacco: for the Trouble & Charge in Keeping the S^a Child Whilest it Lived: and his trouble & Charge about burying it

Elizabeth The Wife of Evan Jones: Complaing to this Veftry for Relief: & Shewing that her husband: Nott being: of Sound Mind: but oftentimes: Disturbed With fitts of Lunacy & Diftraction: and that She hath three Small Children to Maintain: And hath Not any Bread Corne: Nor hath Noe Way to purchase Any Sustenance: for her S^a Husband Self & Children: It is Therefore Ordered by this present Veftry: that M^r: John Doran: the Late Parish Collector Doe pay the Summ of 151 poundes of Tobb being: the Ballance of the five hundred poundes of Tobbacco: Raifed Laft year: for putting out Mary Hafjwells Bastard Child: after the three hundred paid to M^r Livingstone: & Some part of Evan Joneses Levyes: Which Was in Arrear: be paid: that then the S^a 151 be paid: towards the Relieving the Said Jones & family With Corne: And it is further Ordered that the Churchwardens of this parish Doe Bind Out the Said Evan Joneses Children: as the Law Directs: for Poor parish Children: &cr to be provided for

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It: is Ordered: by this present Veftry that: Anne Leaver: the base Daughter of Mary Leaver Deceased: being Now a Parish Charge: And Cannot as yett be Certainly Known Whether Shee the Said Bastard Child be A Mulletto: or Not:) be: Bound Out: to M^r Roger Williams to Serve him or his Afsignes as the Law in that Cafe Directs: for Children in Such Cafes and under Such Circumstances as that shall hereafter appear to be Lyable Unto: Whether it Shall prove hereafter to be a White Child or a Mulatto: And this Veftry Agrees With the Said Roger Williams to Raife &

pay him for his Charge and trouble in Keepeing and Maintaining the Said Child: from being any further Chargeable to this parish Dureing the time of the Said Childs Service or Apprenticeship: the Summ of Seven hundred pounds of Tobbacco & Caske at the Laying of the Next Parish Levy—The Said Roger Williams Giveing Bond & Security: before he Receives the Said 700^l of Tobbacco & Caske: for his performance of his Said Agreement: and this Veftry further agrees With the S^d Roger Williams that in case the Said bastard Child Should Live Untill She attain to Lawfull age and Then: Shall be Lawfully Entituled to Demand & have Freedom Corne & Cloathes that then & In Such Case: that this Parish Shall & Will find & provide Corne & Cloathes for her according as the Law in that Case Directs

Martha: Goodin: A poor Woman: being Under a Deploreable Affliction: With A Sore Legg and is thereby uncapable of Getting her Livelyhood: haveing Applied her Self to y^e Churchwardens of this Parish for Relief: It is therefore Agreed: Between this Veftry in behalf of this parish: and M^r John Doran: as Followes: Viz^t: The Said Doran hath this day Undertaken to Cure the Said Martha of her Ailement: & Sore Legg: And is To have for his trouble & Charge: about the Said Cure and for Maintaining the Said Martha at his Own Costes & Charge: Whilest She is Under the Said Cure: the Summ of Fifteen hundred poundes of Tobbacco & Caske to be Raifed & paid him at the Laying of the Next Parish Levy: But in case the Said Martha Should Dye before Shee be perfectly Cured: Then & in that Case the Said Doran: Agrees to have Only Six hundred po^undes of Tobbacco: & Caske for his trouble & Charge about the S^d Martha: to be Raifed & paid as afore-said: And the Said Doran Agrees With this Veftry: to Save this Parish harmeles: & Indemnified from any Further or Other Charges or Expence Whatsoever about the

Said Martha: for & dureing the term & Space of One year from the Date here of: and further that he the Said Doran before the Said fifteen hundred poundes of Tobbacco be Raifed & paid to him he will Give Bond & Security to: the Churchwardens: that incase the Said Martha: be Not perfectly Cured & Well: at the End of the Said year Now Enfueing: And the Said fifteen hundred poundes of Tobbacco: beforementioned: is then all or the Most part thereof paid: to the Said Doran: that then & in that Cafe that he will Refund and Repay to the Vestry for the Use of this Parish Nine hundred poundes of Tobbaccoe & Caske or Soe Much as he Shall have Received: More then Six hundred & Caske Which is Agreed he Shall have for his Charge & trouble: incase of her the Said Marthas death as aforsd or: being Endeavoured With: & Not Cured at the Expiraon of One year as aforefaid

Teft: Henry: Holdcroft: Clk Vestry Blifl^d Parish

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At: A: Vestry: held: for Blifland: Parish: y^o: thirteenth day of: October: At the Brick Church: 1725:

P^rsent:

M^r. Daniel: Taylor: Minift^r: Henry: Holdcroft: & John Doran: Church: Wardens

Cap^t: George: Keeling: Majo^r John: Thornton: Cap^t: Will Kenney: M^r William: Morris: Cap: John: Arimstead: M^r: George: Woodward & M^r Lancelott Woodward—Vestrymen

This: Present: Vestry Proceedes to Lay the Parish Levy—Viz^t Blifl^d: Parish D^r 1725

To: M ^r Daniel Taylor: Minift ^r : for A yeares Sall ^y	
16000	16000

To: Caske to Ditto: as p ^r : Vestrys agreement: for	
y ^o Deficiency of y ^o Glebe: 1200	01280

To: Conveniency: to y ^o Minifters Sall'y according to Law at 5 p ^r C ^t : is	00800
To: Francis: Cooke: Clark of y ^o Parifh & yeares Sall'y 1500 & Cafke & Conveniency to ditto	01695
To: Henry Holdcroft Cle'k of: this Veftry for a yeares Sall'y: 500 ^{Tobb} & Cafke & Conv to ditto	00565
To: Richard Warren: for his Sall'y: being Saxton of the Upp ^r : Church: 500 ¹¹ ^{Tobb} & Cafk	00540
To: Francis Shoemaker: Deceafed for 8 monthes being Saxton of y ^o Lower Church & Cafk	00360
To: Evan Robards for being Saxton at y ^o Lowe ^r Church: 4 moneths & Cafke Included	00180
To: Bryan: Henry for his yeares Maintainence & Cafke allowed him to it in all	00918
To: Bryan Henry for Keeping Lucey Gill his Granddaught ^r : 1 yea ^r	00400
To: John Doran for Cureing Martha Goodings de- ceafd of a Sore legg as: p ^r the Veftrys agree- ment 1500 ^{Tobb} : & CC to ditto	} 01695
To: Majo ^r : Thornton Clerke of the Court: for: his Copyes Lift Tithes & Fees: in Suit vs mary Field	
To: Henry Holdcroft: Churchwarden: his account: adjufted & Allowed:	00610
To: M ^r John Doran: Churchward: Late parifh Col- lecto ^r : for 21 Titheables Delinquen ^{ts} Returned	01029
To: M ^r Doran: For: 2 Sherriffs: Fees Verfus Field & Stranger at Gaddyes	00040
To: Docto ^r : John Brody: for Phifick & Attendance: for Jone Corbett: 700 ^{Tobb} : & Cafke	00756
To: Ditto Brody for Salavateing Richard Gillmett: & Eman ¹¹ : Demetrius by The: Agreement of M ^r John Doran: Churchwarden 1000: but: y ^o later Not Cured	} 01000

To: Sarah Smallepage for her: Laſt yeares Main- tainance 500 ^{Tobb} & Caſke	00540
To: John: Laffoon: for: his Maintainance this En- ſueing yea ^r 300: & 74: Arrears Not paid in Will- mington Pariſh Laſt Year allowed him	00374
To: M ^r William: Browne Late Churchwarden of Willmington p ^r ſh his proporcon of arrears allow ^d	00071
To: Ditto: for 2 delinq ^{ts} Returned. Viz ^t : Peter Jen- nings & 1 Overcharged Len Henley	0106
To: M ^r Will: M ^c Kain: for Arrears being Clark of Willming p ^r ſh Laſt year	0248
To: Moſes Crawford for arreares: of his Sall ^y : in Wilmiton p ^r :ſh Laſt year	0074
To: M ^r : Roger Williams: for: takeing: Anne Lever: Abaſtard Childe of Mary Lever: De- ceaſed as by his agreement With the Veſtry to: Keep the Said Child from being a pariſh Charge	0756
To: Sall ^y for Receiveing 30207 poundes of Tob- bacco at 5 p ^r Cent for y ^e Collector	1510
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Pariſh Charge Totall: Sum ⁿ	31717
Blisland Pariſh Credit Ut ^t Supra	
By Surplus Tobbacco in M ^r Dorans y ^e laſt Col- lecto ^{rs} hands to be p ^d Now this ye ^r	00146
By: 43 ¹¹ : & 1/2 ¹¹ of Tobbacco: p ^r pole on 726 Tithe- ables amoun ^{ts} to	31581
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In y ^e Collectors hands—By: 10 ¹¹ of Tobb. Surplus to be p ^d Nex ^t year Reduct	10
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The Names of the Delinq^{ts}: Returned by M^r: John Doran late Collecto^r: are as Followes Viz^t

Francis Harman: 1: Edward Henry: 2: Richard Gillmett: 1: Rob^t: Lockalere: 1: Owen Morris: 1: Edw^d Merritt: 1: Joseph Darling: 2: Henry Crutchley: 1: Matt Pond: 1: William: Jones: 1: Henry: Lindley: 1: Jn^o: Holland: 1: Charles: Oglefby: 1: Franck Darling: 1: Sarah Yates: 1: Rob^t: Clinch: 1: Jn^o: Rountree: 1: John: James: 1: Sufanna Darling: 1:

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Mary Shelbourn Petitioning this Veftry: to allow her Some help towards paying her Cur[] It is: Ordered: by this: P^rsent: Veftry: that the Fine: Due from Doctor: William Livingstone: by his Afsumpjitt: in Court: for Mary Hafwell—his Servant: haveing a Bastard Child being two pound[] And Tenn Shillings Current Money: and the Cafh: Received: from the: Strange Woman Which Was brought to: bed at: Richard Gaddeyes: being: Twenty: Five Shillings & five Shillings: M^r Daniel Taylor: promised and five Shillings Cap^t: Keeling: promised to: Give Towards: paying Docto^r: John Scott being in all four pounds: five Shillings to be Collected by Henry Holdcroft: Churchwarden: & paid to: the S^d Doctor: John Scott: for the Cure of Mary Shelbourns: Sore: Legg: he promifeing: to Accept of the Same for the Difchargeing of: her Debt: to him: for the S^d Cure

On: the Petition of Mofes Crawford: for the Office of Saxton: of one Of the Churches in this Parifh It is: Considered: & Accordingly Ordered that the S^d Mofes be Admitted Saxton of the Lower Church in this Parifh & that he be Allowed: Annually the Sumⁿ of three hundred poundes of Tobbaccoe and Cafke for the S^d Service:

Joseph: Linfey: Petitioning: this Veftry: to Difcharge: him from paying Levyes for his Lame Negroe Man Called:

Toby: It is Ordered that the Said Toby be: Discharged from Parish Levy dureing his: debility

Richard: Waren: on his Petition: Setting forth that he is Lamè & Unable to Labour for his Liveing & only Desfireing to be Levy free: it is Ordered that he be Discharged from paying Parish Levyes Untill he Recovered of his S^d Lamenes

Richard Hatfield Son of Richard Hatfield: a poor Diseased person: on his petition is is Discharged from Paying Parish Levys: Untill it Shall please God to Restore him to his health that he be able to Gett his living

It: is Ordered by this present Vestry: that the: Rent of the Glebe: plantation Which Was Lately added to this Parish: be Collected by the Church wardens: and applyed: Towards the Maintainance: & Cure of Emanuel Demetrius a poor Diseased Person belonging to this Parish

Whereas: there: appears Due to the Parish: from M^r John Doran: the Sum^m: of Twenty: Shillings On the Balance of: his Cash account: as being One of the Churchwardens of this parish: It is Ordered that the S^d Twenty Shillings Cash be paid to Henry Holdcroft: Churchwardn: for the Use & hurt done to a Small Feather bed he provided for Martha Goodin: While She was Under her Cure

It is: Ordered by this: p^rsent: Vestry that the Parish Levy for this p^rsent year be Forty three & an half poundes Weight of Tobbaccoe p^r: pole: and that M^r John James Deputy Sher^riff of this County: Collect: & Receive the S^d Sum^m: of: Forty three and one half poundes Weight of Tobbacco: from Every Individuall: Titheable: person Within this Parish: and on Refusall of payment To Levy the Same by distrefs according to Law: The S^d: John James first Entring in to bond with Good and Sufficient Security: to the present Churchwardens: for the Use of this Parish: for payment of the Said Several Summes

of Tobbaccoe to the Severall Respective pariſh Creditors to Whome it is Due: according as they are: above mentioned & Exprefed in the: Pariſh: Charge: in hh^{as} of Such Weightes and at Such Times as the S^d Churchwardens Shall Direct & appoint: And it is alſoe Ordered that the Clerke of the Veſtry: take bond as aforeſaid: before he Deliver a Copy of: the Pariſh Charge and a Copie of this Order of Veſtry to the S^d Collector

It is: Ordered: by this p^rſent: Veſtry that: Henry Holdcroft & John Doran be Continued Church wardens for this Enſueing year

Teſt: Henry: Holdcroft: Cl^k of y^o: Veſtry

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At: A Veſtry held for: Bliſland: Pariſh: At the Lower Church December y^o 22^a: 1725:

P:^rſent:

M^r: Daniel Taylor Miniſte^r: M^r. Henry Holdcroft & M^r John Doran: Church wardens

Cap^t: George: Keeling: {Cap^t: William: Kenney}
 M^r: William: Cox: & {Cap^t: John: Arimſtead} Veſtrymen
 M^r: John: Sclater: {M^r: Thomas: Williams}

Whereas M^r: John: James: Who: was Appointed Collector of the Pariſh Levy for this p^rſent Year is Lately Deceaſed: And hath: done Very Little (:if any part) of the Pariſh Collection: And M^r: John Doran: Acquainting this Veſtry that he: hath Agreed With Cap^t: William Macon Sherriff of this County: to Serve: as Deputy Sherriff of this Lower precincts: thereof: and haveing applyed himſelf to this Veſtry for the Pariſh Collection: And the Pariſh Levy Laid: at the Laſt Veſtry held for this Pariſh: the thirteenth day of October Laſt *and amou[] To: the Summ of Forty three poundes

*This word is scratched through in the MS but is still legible.—C. G. C.

and One half pound Waight of Tobbacco: p^r: pole as by the Said Order May appear: It is therefore Ordered by this present Vestry: That y^e S^d M^r: John Doran Doe Collect & Receive the Sumⁿ of Forty three & one half poundes: Waight of Tobbacco: from: Every Individuall Titheable person Within this Parish and Upon Refusaall of payment to Levy the Same by Distresjs (according to Law): the Said Doran first Entering into bond With good and Sufficient: Security: to Henry Holdcroft: Church warden: For the Use of the Parish for the due Payment: of y^e Said Sumⁿs of Tobbaccoe: to the Severall Respective Parish Creditors: to Whome it is due and: according: as it is: Ordered & Appointed to be paid: by the S^d Recited Order of the Last Vestry and to pay the Same in hh^{ds} of Such Weightes and at Such times as the Said (Holdcroft) Church warden Shall: Direct & Appoint: And: the S^d Holdcroft: Clerke of the Vestry: Take bond and Security as aforejaid before he Deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge & Copy of this Order of Vestry to the S^d Collector

M^r: William: Levingstone Complaining to this Vestry: That Whereas: the Vestry of this Parish by their Order Dated the: fifth day of October 1724: did Order & Raise the Sumⁿ of five hundred poundes of Tobbaccoe: for: Undertakeing to Keep: a bastard Child of Mary Hafwells, and to Give Bond to Save the Parish Indemnified: from any further Charge about the S^d Child: and the S^d Child Dyeing before: the S^d Bond was Given: the Said Liveingstone Was only paid 300^l poundes of: the S^d 500^l: p^{ts} of Tobbacco: upon Consideration thereof It is Ordered that the S^d Levingston be allowed & paid two hundred poundes of Tobbacco to be Raised and paid at the Laying of the Next parish Levys

Cap^t: John Arimstead: On his Motion: Offering to the Vestry that: incase the Vestry Wold: Grant him an Order. for a Pew in the: Brick Church of this parish for himself and: his families use: That himself and his Wife Wold: forthwith:

— — Make & Execute: Good authentique Deedes of Sale or any Legall Conveyances: To the Veftry or Church wardens of the Pariſh: for the Pariſhes uſe: Two Acres of Land: Wheron the S^a Brick Church Now Standes: And the Veftry Conſidering thereof have thought fitt to Refferit for a Fuller Veftry: to: Refolve about the Said: affair :

Copia: Teſt Henry: Holdcroft Clk Veftry

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At A Veftry held for Bliſland Bliſland Pariſh at the Brick Church June 24th: 1726

P^rſent:

M^r Daniel Taylor Miniſter Henry: Holdcroft }
 John: Doran } Churchwardens

Cap^t: Geo^r: Keeling }
 Cap^t: Rich^d: Richardſon } M^r: Geo^r: Woodward }
 M^r: Will: Morris } M^r: Thomas: Williams }
 } M^r: Lancell^t: Woodward } Veftrymen

This Veftry: procedes to: Appoint Viewers & Tellers to Examine & Enquire of the Names & Number of Perſons in this Pariſh allowed by Law to plant & Tend Tobbacco: and Forasmuch as the Pariſh hath been already Laid out into Convenient precincts: and the Several Perſons Which have been already appointed & have Served are all Continued in their Sevuall precincts: Only M^r John Keen Who is unwilling to Serve any long^r in that: Office: Benjamin Richardſon therefore is appointed in his Stead in the Same p^rcinct With M^r Daniel Allen & Ordered that he be Sworne accordingly before he Enter upon the Execution of that Office

M^r Richard Clough being Removed out of this Pariſh M^r David Williams is appointed a teller in his Stead along With his Brother M^r Roger Williams And it is Ordered that he be Sworn Accordingly before he Enter into the Said Office

M^r Peter Carpenter being Lately Deceased: Was a Teller of Tobbacco in the Upper p^rincts of this Parish: With M^r William Harman: M^r John Luck on his Motion is appointed a Teller in the Stead of the Said Peter Carpent^r and it is Ordered that he be Sworne according to Law before he proceed in the Said Office

Test: Henry: Holdcroft

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At: a Vestry: held for Blifland Parish: the 12th: day of October: 1726: At M^r Furneas Ordinary

P^rsent

M^r Daniel: Taylor: Minift^r: Henry: Holdcroft & John Doran Church wardens

Cap^t: George: Keeling:

M^r: John: Slater:

Cap^t: Rich^d: Richardfon:

M^r: William: Morris:

Cap^t: Will: Kenney:

M^r: George: Woodward

Cap^t: John: Arimstead

M^r: Lancel^t: Woodward

M^r: William: Cox:

M^r Thomas: Williams

Vestrymen

This: Vestry procedes to Lay the Parish Levy	Tobbacco
To: M ^r : Daniel: Taylor Minift ^r for a yeares Sall ^y	16000
To: Caske to Ditto: as p ^r : y ^e Vestryes Agreement: for the deficiency of the Glebe	01280
To: Conveniency: to Ditto according to Law at 5 p ^r Cent	0800
To M ^r Francis: Cooke: Clarke of the Parish for a yeares Sall ^y 1500 & C C to ditto	1695
To: Henry: Holdcroft: Clerke of the Vestry for a yeares Sall ^y 500: & Caske & Conveniency to do	565
To: Moses Crafford Saxton of the Lower Church for his yeares: Sall ^y : by agreem ^t	300
To: Richard: Waren: Saxton of y ^e Upp ^r Church: for a yeares Sall ^y : 500 & Caske to ditto	540

To: Bryan: Henry for his yeares Maintain ^{ce} : and Caske & Conveniency to Ditto	918
To Bryan Henry: for: Keeping Lucey Gilles & his Grandaughter a year	400
To: Majo ^r John Thornton: his Clerkes Fees: in these } Following Suites Viz': the Par vs Langly & } Gaddy & Coufins: Mackormack: Jammejon & } for 2 Listes of Titheables }	208
To: M ^r John: Doran Late Collecto ^r : for: 16: delinquents: & an Order: for M ^r : Levingstones 200 } & the Quittrents of the: Old Glebe Land: in all } amounting to }	912
To: Henry Holdcroft: Church warden his Accou ^t : Adjusted & Allowed	639½
To: John Laffoon: for his yeares Maintainance allowed by the Parish	300
To: Sarah: Smallpage Allowed for her yeares Maintainance 500: & Caske to ditto 40	540
To: M ^r Daniel: Taylor: Minift ^r for 15: Delinquen ^{ts} Returned: Which y ^e Sherrif p ^d him	652½
To: Joseph Hawkins for Keeping Hannah Hopkins: a lame Woman 6 monthes: p ^r ord ^r :	300
To: M ^r Archer Clerke of James County Court: for Copie of List tithes Last year & this year	40
To: Henry: Holdcroft Churchwar ^d to pay Quittrents for 2 yeares for the Glebe land in Ja City County	96
To: Collon ⁿ : John: Scott: in part of his Agreement: for y ^e Cure of Eliza: Barker	550
To: Mary: Shelbourn: Allowed Towards Maintainance of her lame Daught Mary Shelbourn: Who is Soe afflicted She Cannot Gett her liveing: to be putt into the hands of Henry: Holdcroft to: lay out in Meat for her }	300

To: Sall^r: for Receiveing 27036¹¹ Tobbacco: att 5 p^r
Cent to be for Collecto^r 1351

Total Parifh Debt is 28387

Creditt Utt Supra

By: 40¹¹ Tobbacco: p^r: p^r pole on: 714
Titheables: 28560

By: M^r John Doran Late Collecto^r: due
Laft year 10

28570

By: 183¹¹: of Tobbacco: the Surplus
Now Levyed: the Collecto^r to pay Next year

Henry Holdcroft & John Doran late Church wardens are
Difcharged from their Said Office: And Cap^t: Rich^d: Richard-
fon & M^r. John Sclater: are Appointed Churchwardens: in their
Stead: And Was Sworne accordingly: before M^r: William
Morris: A Majeftate

It: is Ordered by this prefent Veftry that Henry Holdcroft
Gen^t: Endeavour to Receive & Collect: What Tobbacco is Due
to the parifh from the Sundry Delinquents Who did Not pay
their Parifh Levyes Laft year or any year before that Can be
Recovered And be accountable to the Veftry for What Re-
ceived

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It: is Ordered: by this p^rfent Veftry: that the Parifh Levy
for this p^rfent year be: Fourty poundes Weigh^t of Tobbaccoe:
p^r: pole: And M^r John: Sclater Sherriff of this County: is
Ordered to Collect: and Receive the Said Sum^m: of Fourty
poundes Weight of Tobbaccoe: from Every Individuall: Tithe-
able perfon Within this Parifh: and on default of payment to
Make Diftreffs: for the Same according to: Law: The Said
Sclater: firft Entring into bond With Good & Sufficient

Securityes to the Other Churchwarden for the Uſe of the Said Pariſh: for payment of the Said: Tobbaccoes to the Severall Reſpective Pariſh Credito^{rs}: above Mentioned: for Whome it is Raiſed as it is Appointed: & directed by the Pariſh Charge: In hh^ds of Such: Weightes and at Such times as the Said Church warden Shall Direct & appoint: And it is Ordered that the Clerke of the Veſtry Take: Bond & Security as aforeſ^d before: he deliver a Copy of this Order of Veſtry & a Copy of the Pariſh Charge to the Said Collecto^r:

Ordered by this Veſtry: that on the Complaint of Bryan Henryes Wife: for More allowance for: Keeping Lucey Gilles & being informed that the S^d Child Was More then Ordinary troubleſome: they are to be allowed Annually 200 poundes of Tobbaccoe: More then their former allowance

Samuel Curl appearing at this Veſtry Did Aſſume: to pay to M^r William Cox: for the Uſe of the pariſh five hundred poundes of Tobbaccoe: being for the Rent of the Glebe: Laſt year. 400¹¹ and 100 in part for this preſent yeares Rent and haveing Given his bill: to the p^rſent Churchwardens: for three hundred poundes of Tobbaccoe to be Paid Next: year at the Laying of the Parrish Levy being the Remainder of the Rent: for this: preſent year: it being: Lett at four hundred poundes Tobbacco p^r annum:

William Charleton: on his Motion to this Veſtry for pay for his trouble in transporting Elizabeth Barker to Collon¹¹ John Scottes: and for his trouble in Goeing: to Fetch the S^d Scott Down to See the S^d Ba^ker & to Undertake: her Cure: for Which Service the Veſtry: hath Ordered that he be allowed: one hundred poundes of Tobbaccoe: to be paid this year of the Tobbacco: Which Was: Now Levyed it Not being: Entred in the Pariſh Charge

Teft Henry: Holdcroft Clk: of y^o Veſtry

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At: a: Vestry held for Blisland Parish: At the Lower:
Church October: y^e 11th: anno Domini: 1727

Present:

M^r Daniel: Taylor: Minister: Cap^t: Richard: Richardson:
& M^r: Jn^o: Sclater: Church warden

M ^r : William Cox	Cap ^t : Jn ^o : Arimstead
Cap ^t : Geo ^r : Keeling	M ^r Jn ^o : Doran
Cap ^t : Will: Kenney	M ^r : George Woodward
M ^r : William Morris	M ^r Lancell ^t : Woodward
M ^r : Henry: Holdcroft	Vestrymen

This p^rsent Vestry: proceedes to Lay the Parish Levy
Blisland Parish D^r 1727

To: M ^r : Dan ^l : Taylor: Minister: for a yeares Sall ^y according to Law	16000
To: Caske to ditto: instead of a Glebe: by agreem ^t : 1280 ¹¹ : Tobb: & Conveniency to ditto accord ^{ing} to law	02080
To: Francis Cooke Clke of the parish for a yeares Sall ^y 1500 & Caske & Conveniency to ditto	01695
To: Henry: Holdcroft: Clerke of the Vestry for a yeares Sall ^y : 500 & Caske & Conven ^{cy} : 65	00565
To: Richard: Warren Saxton of the Upp ^r Church for a yeares Sall ^y : 500 & Caske to ditto	00540
To: Moses Crafford for a yeares Sall ^y 500 & Caske 40:	00540
To: Dorothy: Henry for Keeping Lucey Gilles a year by y ^e Vestrys agreem ^t	00600
To: Dorothy: Henry: for her Keeping her husband part of the year: 310: & for his buriall 150	00460
To: M ^r Richard: Hickman Clerke of James City County Court: for Copy of a List Titheables	00020

To: Majo ^r : John: Thornton Cl ^k : of the Court for: 2 Copies Listes of Titheables	00040
To: Collon ⁿ : John: Scott: the Remainder of the Tobbacco: by y ^o : Veftrys agreem ^t : for: his Keepeing & Endeavouring to Cure Elizabeth Barkers Sore Legg	00450
To: Thomas: Henderfon for Makeing two horfe- blockes for y ^e Upp ^r Church: & find all things	00250
To: M ^r : Townes for his trouble Keepeing a Strange Woman traveller Sick at his q ^{ter}	00200
To: Mary: Shelbourn: for help towards her Main- tainance Allowed	00200
To: M ^r John: Doran for his trouble & Charge about the Cure of Eman ⁿ Demetrius according to the Church wardens agreem ^t in Writeing dated the 15 th of auguſt 1727: M ^r Doran Giveing bond to perform the Said agreemt 2000 & Caſk	02160
To: M ^r Rich ^d : Richardſon Churchwarden for 3 Com- munions 300 ⁿ : & Mending Windows	00355
To: Sall ^r : to Collecting 26155 ⁿ : of Tobb at 5 p ^r Cent: is	01308
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Total Sum Parifh Deb ^t is	27463
Utt Supra C ^r	
By: M ^r Henry Holdcroft Received 1 Parifh Levy: of John Jennett	043½
By: M ^r John Doran 1 ditto for Edward Henry:	043½
By: Surplus Tobbacco: in M ^r Sclaters the Col- lectors hands laſt year	183
By: 751 Titheables at 36 ⁿ of Tobbacco p ^r pole is	27036
By: The Surplus Tobbacco to be left in y ^e Col- lecto ^r 's hands Untill Next yea ^r :	0157
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	27463

It is Ordered by this: Present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this Present year be Thirty & Six poundes of Tobbaccoe p^r pole and that M^r John Sclater Sheriff & Collecto^r of Blisland Parriſh Collect the Said Sum^m of thirty & Six poundes of Tobbacco from Every Individuall Titheable perſon Within this Pariſh and that he Pay the S^d Tobbaccoes to the Severall Reſpective pariſh Creditors above mentioned To Whome it is Due in hh^ds of Such Weightes & at Such times as the Other Church-Warden Shall Direct & appoint: And on Default of payment to Levy the Same by Diſtreſs: And that the Clerk of the Veſtry take Bond With Good & Sufficent Security of the S^d Sclater for Payment of the Said Tobbaccoes: before he Deliver to him a Copy of the Pariſh Charge and Copy of this Order of Veſtry

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Henry: Holdcroft: formerly of the Churchwardens of thiſ Pariſh this day Offering to pay fifty Shillings Current money: being a fine Due from: Elizabeth Jemmyſon for her haveing a baſtard Child: and Was Due to this Pariſh: by Law: Whileſt the S^d Holdcroft Was Church warden: and alſoe five Shillings: forfeited for: Prophane Swearing: Wherefore the Veſtry Ordered: that the Said Holdcroft Should: Lay out the S^d fifty five Shillings: in Neceſſary Cloathing: Linnen & Woollen. & Other Neceſſaries for Emanuel Demetrius a poor Lame perſon Which this pariſh have put under the Care of M^r John Doran for Cure of a Very Sore Legg: And the S^d Holdcroft: Agreed to Lay out & Diſpoſe of the S^d Money accordingly

Francis: Shoemaker: being in a Very Aileing Weak Condition: petitioned this Veſtry to be free from paying Pariſh Levy: On Conſideration: Whereof this Veſtry have thought fitt to Diſcharge him from paying pariſh Levys Untill he Shall: be: Capeable to Worke & labour for Maintainance

This Veſtry have Thought: it Neceſſary: by the Conſent of M^r Daniel Taylor Miniſt^r of this Pariſh that the Prefen^t:

Register Booke of this Parish be Delivered into the handes & Charge of Francis Cooke Clerke of this Parish: And that he is hereby Admitted Clerk of the Register and that he truely & Carefully & Set Down & Enter on the S^d Parish Register all birthes & Deaths that he hath an account Given him of: and Make Such Returnes as the Law Directs: & it is Ordered that he be Sworne accordingly

Test Henry: Holdcroft: Clk Vestry Blifl^d

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At a vestery held for Blifland Parrish at M^r Henry Holdcroft^s y^e 15 day of June 1728—present

M^r Daniell Taylor Minejter

Cap ^t George Keeling	Cap ^t : Rich ^d . Rich ^d son Church Warden
Cap ^t W ^m : Kenney	M ^r Henry Holdcroft
M ^r W ^m : Morris	M ^r George Woodward
Cap ^t Nicho: Alderjey	M ^r Tho: Williams
M ^r W ^m : Cox	M ^r Lancler Woodward
M ^r John Doran	Major John Thornton

This vestery proceedes to Apoint viewers & Tellers to Examine and Inquire of the Names & Numbers of persons in this Parrish Allowed by Law to plant and Tend Tobacco and as the Parrish is Already Laid out into Convenant precincts M^r John Allen & M^r John Hankins is Apointed as Tellers of tobb in the place of Cap^t: Rich^d: Rich^dson & M^r W^m: Morris And Ordered that they bee Sworn Accordingly

John Rowntree is Apointed a Teler of Tobb with Benj: Rich^dson in the place of M^r Daniell Allen and Ordered that he be Sworn Accordingly

John Breeding is Apointed a teller of Tobb: with John Burnett in the place of David Williams and Orderd that he bee Sworn Accordingly

John Luck being removed out of the parrish John Hogg is Apointed a teler of Tobb: in his Stead with W^m: Harman and orderd he be Sworn Accordingly

M^r Lanc^t. Woodard & M^r Tho: Williams Apointed Tobb: telers for All that part of the Parrish which Lyes in James Citty County and Orderd that they be Sworn Accordingly

Test Francis Cooke Clerk Veftry Bliſland Parrish

M^r Henry Holdcroft having resigned his being Clerk of the Veftry Francis Cooke is Apointed Clerk of the Said Veftry & Sworn Accordly

Test Francis Cooke Clerk Veftry

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At a Veftry held for Bliſland Pariſh at y^e Brick Church y^e 13th of November 1728

Pfent

M^r Dan^l Taylor Mineſter

Cap ^t William Kenney	Cap ^t John Armiſtead
M ^r Georg Woodward	M ^r John Doran
M ^r Lancler Woodward	M ^r William Cox
M ^r Thomas Williams	Maj ^r : John Thornton

This Veftry proceeds to Lay the Pariſh Levie

To M ^r Daniell Taylor Mineſter & for this years Sallery	16000
To Caſke to Ditto by the Veftry ^s Agreement for the defeciency of a Glebe	01280
To Fra ^s : Cooke Clerk of y ^e Pariſh for a years Salery 1500 & Caſk	01620
To M ^r Henry Holdcrafts years Salery for Clerk of the Veftry C C	00540
To Mojes Croford Saxton at y ^e Lower Church a years Salery & Caſk	00540
To Rich ^d Waren Saxton at y ^e Uper Church a years Salery & Caſk	00540
To Sarah Smallpage for this years Maintanance 500 & Caſk	00540

To M ^r Rich ^d : Hickman Clrk James Citty for a Coppie List of Tithables	00020
To Dorothy Henry for keeping Lucy Gills a yeare	00600
To Maj ^r : John Thornton his acco ^t : for Clerks fees	00120
To Docter Philip Jones his Acco ^t . for Joane Corbat Alowd by y ^e Veftry	00576
To Rice Downes for keeping James Cornute Eighteen Moneths @ 400 p ^r yeare	00600
To Sarah Smallpage for Laft years Maintainance } forgot which M ^r Sclater p ^d & to be kept in y ^e } Collecters hands	00540
To M ^r John Sclater for two Comuions	00200
To M ^r John Sclater for John Lafoone laft year w ^{ch} : y ^e Veftry beleves M ^r Sclater paid	00300
To M ^r William Cox his Acc ^t againft Joane Corbit	00344
To John Lafoon for this years Maintainance 500 & Cafke	00540
To Tho: Henderfon for makeing a horfe block	00125
To Edward Linfey for keeping Even Jones Child Mary } Jones from any Charge to this Parijh Till Shee be } of Age 900 & Cafk	00972
To Cap ^t : Rich ^d fon for two Commuions	00200
To M ^r John Doran for Cureing Benja: Breeding & } his Trouble from the 26 th day of December Laft } till this day 2100 & Cafk	02268
To M ^r Tho: Ballard for Makein one horfe block & Repairing another	00080
To M ^r John Doran for his acco ^t : againft Joane Corbat	00120
To M ^r Marks for his acco ^t : againft Joane Corbit for her buriall	00100
To M ^r Daniell Taylor ^e Cafk on 16000 at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ C ^t	01280
To Cap ^t : Richardfon his acco ^t .	00250
To Sallery on 30295 at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ C ^t	03029

 33324

Ut Supra

By M ^r John Sclater for tobacco he rec ^d . of Sam ^l Curll for Rent	700
By 780 Tithables at 42 q pole	32760

Ballanc due to the parish to be paid by the Col-
lector Next year 136

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Brought over

It is ordered by this present Vestrey that the Parish Levy be fourty two pounds of Tobacco p^r pole and that Cap^t: william Kenney High Sherif of this County is ordered to Collect and Receive the Same from Every Individuall Tithable person Within this Parish & one Default of payment to make Distres for the Same According to Law, the said Kenney first Enttring into Bond with Good and Sufficent Security to the other Church Warden for the use of the said parish for Paym^t. of the said Tobacco to the Several respective Creditors for Whom the Same is Raifed In hh^{ds}. of such weights & at Such Times As the said Church Warden Shall Derrect and Appoint and it is ordered that the Clerk of the vestrey take Bond and Security As Aforsaid Befor he deliver a Cobby of this order of Vestry and a Copy of the parish Charge to the s^d Collector

Test Francis Cooke Clerk Veftry

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At a Veftry held for Blifland Parish at M^r Stephen Fornea^r on Monday the 16th day of June 1729

Present

The Rever ^d M ^r Danl Taylor Minjtr	
Major John Thornton	} Churchwardens
Cap ^t W ^m : Keney	

Cap^t George Keeling
Cap^t. Rich^d Richardfson
M^r Wm: Cox
M^r Wm: Morris

M^r George Woodward
M^r Lanclett Woodward
M^r John Doran
Veftry Men

The Veftry being this day Mett purfuant to Law do proceed to Appoint and Conftitute the following Perfons Vewers & telers of tob^o plants planted in the Said Parifh this prefent yeare to wit

John Allen & John Hankins are Continued	} In there Respec- tive pre- cincts
Benj ^s . Rich ^d fon & John Rountree are Continued	
John Breeding & John Burnett Continued	
John Hogg & Wm: Harman Continued	
M ^r Lancl ^e t woodward & M ^r Tho: Williams Continued	

It is Ordered that they have Notice thereof that they May be Sworn Accordingly

It is Ordered by this Prefent Veftry that Jefery a Negro Man belonging to David Pryor be Leavy free

Teft Frances Cook Clerk Veftry

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At a Veftry for Blifland Parifh at M^r Stephen Fornea^s y^o 21st Day of July 1729

prefent

y ^o Reverend M ^r Daniell Taylor Minefter	
M ^r Wm Cox	Cap ^t Wm: Kenney Churchwarden
M ^r John Doran	M ^r Wm: Morris
M ^r George Woodward	M ^r Tho: Williams

} Veftry Men

M^r John Hankins who was formerly Apointed one of the Counters of tobacco being difabled from performing his duty this prefent Veftry hath M^r Daniell Allen Jun^r to serve in his roome & that he be Sworn Accordingly

it is Ordered by this prefent Veftry that Ann Evans a pore Widdow of this Parifh have two hundred pounds of tobacco & Cafque paide to her or her Order towards y^o Suport of three Small Children

Teft Frances Cook Clerk Veftry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parrish at the Lower Church
y^e 27 October 1729

Prejent

Major John Thornton	Cap ^t William Kenney Church wardens
M ^r William Cox	Cap ^t Rich ^d . Rich ^d Jon
Cap ^t Nicholas Alderfey	M ^r John Sclater
M ^r Georg Woodward	M ^r Lancelett Woodward
M ^r John Doran	M ^r William Morris
Cap ^t George Keeling	

This Vestry proceeds to Lay the Parrish Leavie	
To the revern ^d M ^r Daniel Taylor Minester for ten Moneths Sallery	13334
To Cask to D ^o : & Deficiency of p ^o Gleebe	2134 15468
To Francis Cook Clark of the parrish & Vestry his Sallery	02160
To moses Crarford Saxton at the Lower Church D ^o :	00540
To Rich ^d : Warren Saxton at the upper Church D ^o :	00540
To Sarah Smallpage for this years maintenance	00540
To m ^r : John Doran for curing Thomas Shelbourn	01728
To Doll Henry for Keeping Lucey Gill a year	00600
To Maj ^r . Thornton for a Copy of the List of Tythables	00040
To Rich ^d : Warren for three Comunions	00300
To Rice Downs for Keeping of James Cornute a year	00400
To Samuel Curl for work Done on y ^o : Gleebe 400 ^l Tob ^o	
To Cap ^t : William Kenneys acc ^t :	00444
To Mary Shelbourn for Keeping her Son in distrejs	00648
To Robert Pennington for Returns	00500
To m ^r : John Sclater for two Returns & Collecting 700 ^l Tob ^o	00174
To 1 Levie of Christop ^r : Charltons & Collecting of it	00046
To 30 ^l Tob ^o p ^r : Tyth on 798 Tythables is	23940
To Cask to D ^o	01916
To the Collect ^r for Receiving & making Convenent	04999

By 798 Tyths at 69^l Tob^o: p^r: Tythable is 55062
 By Samuel Curls years Rent for y^o Gleep 400 pound of
 Tob^o
 Ball due to y^o: parish to be allowed by the Collector next
 year 79

It is ordered by this present Vestry that y^o parish Leave be
 69 pound of Tob^o p^r: pole and that Cap^t. William Kenney High
 Sherif of this *Said County is ordered to Collect and receive
 the same from Every individuall Tythable person within this
 parish and on default of paymen[t] To make Distrejs for the
 Same according to Law the Said Kenney first Entering into
 Bond with Good Sufficient Security to the other Churchwarden
 for the use of the Said parish Creditors for home y^o Same is
 raised in hh^d[^s] of Such weights & at Such time as the s^d:
 Churchwarden Shall direct and appoint and it is ordered that the
 Clark of the Vestry take bond & Security as aforesaid before he
 Deliver a Copy of this order of Vestry and a Copy of the parish
 charge to the Collector

Copy Test Francis Cook Clark Vestry

[26]

Turn Over

It is Ordered by this present Vestry That James Curnute be
 put Benj Tyre at 400^l of Tobb p^r yeare the Said Tyre promi^s-
 ing to Learn y^o S^d Curnut to Knit or weave

it is Also Ordered y^t Mary Whitehead^s Neagro Man Jack be
 Leavy free

This Vestry do agree with y^o Rever^d. M^r Mofom & y^o Rev^d.
 M^r Leneve to preach y^o one at y^o Uper Church & y^o Other at
 y^o Lower Church Every Alternate Saterdag & to alow to Each
 of them three hundred and Twenty pounds of Tobb: with
 Cafque & Convencancy for Evry Sermon

Cop Test Frances Cook Clerk Vestry

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Gentlemen

The Reverend M^r Thacker is so well known in This Country that it will be sufficient for me to signifie to you as I hereby do that I am well Satisfied he is a perjon of good Life and Converstion and fully Quallified for Undertaking the Cure of youre Parrish

I am Gentlemen Your

Affectionate Friend

and humble Service

Wmsburgh

Feb: 6: 1729/30

William Gooch

Williamsburgh Feb: 6: 1729-30

Gentlemen

The Honourable the Governour having recommended the Reverend Bearer M^r Chichley Thacker to your Parrish I thought it my duty to acquaint you that I have Seen his Orders and Licence from my Lord Bishop of London and that he has so good a Character of his good behaviour in the University that I Can not in the Least doubt but that he will be very acceptable to you and so much the more as being a Virginian and having Laid the first foundation of Learning at the College in this Country I hope ye will be happy in Each other and am

Gentlemen Yo^r Moft

Humble Servant

James Blair

Test Frances Cook Clerk Vestry

[27]

It is ordered by this present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this present yeare be Seventy Nine pounds & half of tobacco p^r pole and that Major Richard Richardson Sheriff and Collector of Blisland parish Collect the Said Sum of seventy Nine pounds and half of tobacco from Every Individuall Tithable perjon within this parish and that he pay the S^d tobaccos to y^r Severall Respective parish Creditors before Mentioned to

whome it is due in hh^{as} of Such weight and at such times as the Churchwardens shall derect and apoint and on default of payment to Levy the Same by distrefs and that the Clerk of the veftry take bond with good and Suficent Security of the S^d Richardfon for payment of the S^d tobaccoes before he deliver to him a Copy of the parish Charge and Copy of this Order of Veftry

Anthony Allom and John Browing boath petitioned this Veftry to be free from paying parish Levy being both very aged and not able to work for their Living as formerly which is Granted

Cap^t George Keeling desiring to be Excused from being a veftry man is dischard from his Office and William Mackain Gen^t. is Chosen in his Steade and Sworn accordingly by M^r John Sclater a Majeftrate for this County

Major John Thornton & Cap^t William Kenney Late Churchwardens are discharg^d from their office & Coll William Bafsett & M^r William Morris are apointed Churchwardens in their Steade & Sworn Accordingly by M^r John Sclater a Majeftrate for this County

This present Veftry has agreed to alow Benj^a Tyree for Keeping James Curnute after y^e rate of 400¹¹ of tobacco p^r yeare dureing y^e time y^e S^d James Shall be there

Teft Frances Cook Clerk Veftry

[28]

At a Veftry held for Blifland Parish at the Brick Church y^e
12 Auguft 1730

Present

the Reverend M^r Thacker Minefter

Major Rich^d: Richardfon Cap^t William Kenney Chu Warden

Cap^t William Morris M^r Georg Woodward

M^r William Cox M^r Lanclett Woodward

M^r John Sclater M^r John Doran

Coll William Bafsett Veftry Men

it is Ordered by this present Vestry that a Vestry Man be Chosen in the roome of Cap^t Nicholas Aldersey Coll William Bafsett being present is Chosen a vestry man for this parish and is Sworn Accordingly by Cap^t William Morris a Majeftrate for this County

it is Ordered Also by this present vestry that Cap^t William Kenney pay to M^r Armistead three and twenty Shillings for for boarding the Workman While repairing the Gleibe house

The Vestry this day Agrees With Coll William Bafsett to build and Erect two Brick Chimneys to the Gleibe house and Underpin the Said house with Brick & to build a Clofsett and to Cover y^o Kitchen & to paile in y^o Garden to the Sattifaction of the Minefter in Confsideration the Vestry to forty pounds Curant Money at the Laying the Next Levie

[29]

At a Vestry held for Blifland Parish at the Lower Church y^o 13 March 1730

Present y ^o Reverend M ^r Chichley Thacker Minefter		
Major Richard Richardfon	Coll William Bafsett	} Church wardens
Cap ^t William Kenney	Cap ^t William Morris	
M ^r William Cox	M ^r Lanclett Woodward	
M ^r William Mackaine	M ^r Tha. Williams	
M ^r George Woodward		Vestrymen

This Vestry proceeds to Chuse a Vestryman in y^o Roome of Major John Thornton Deceaft it is Ordered y^t M^r Georg Clough be Chosen a vestryman for this Parish and is Sworn Accordingly by M^r M^r William Mackaine a Majeftrate for this County

Coll Bafsett^s Acc^t which is as followeth Alowed by this Vestry

January y ^o 3 ^d 1730	To p ^d for Makeing a Cafe-	
	ment	£0= 3=0
Blifland Parish D ^r	To Lead and Glafs	0= 8=0

To Cash p ^d Cliff for altering Cafements	0= 6=0
To 2 p ^r of Large hooks and hinges for the Gleibe Gates	0=13=5
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	1=10=5

Cap^t Kenney his Acc^t. allowed by this Vestry which is as followeth

Blijland Parish D^r March y^o 13: 1730

To 6 y ^{ds} of Purple Cloath at 18 ^s p ^r y ^d	£ 5= 8=0
To 19¾ y ^{ds} purple Silk Lace at 8 ^d	13=2
To 9 Ounces ⅛ Deep Silk fring at 3 ^s p ^r ounce	1= 7=4½
To 2 purple Silk Tofsels at 3 ^s	6
To 2 Skins Leather & 4 p ^{ds} feathers	8=3
To Making them	10
To 2 Common prayer Book ^s	1=10
To 2 Surplices y ^t 22 Ells of Gulick hol ^d 6/10	7=10=4
To making them	1
To a Box	3
To prinage & all Charges till on board	7
To Com ^o on £ 19=3=1½ at 2½ p C ^t	9=7½
To 75 Ⓕ C ^t on £ 19=12=9 is	14=14=6¾
Cash due Ⓕ ^r y ^o parish	£ 4=12=5
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	38=19=8¾

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Brought Over

Francis Shoemaker is Chosen Sexton y this Vestry to Serve at y^o Lower Church after y^o rate of five hundred pounds of tobb & Casque Ⓕ^r yeare

it is Ordered by this present Vestry that Coll William Bafett & Cap^t William Morris do Sell y^o tobb Raifed to pay the parish Debts as they Shall think

at the Motion of the Minefter the Veftry Consents to build a quarter on y° Gleibe for his Neagroes 16 & 12 with a Shed on one Side Coll Bajsett has undertaken to build it Major Richardfon & Cap^t Morris is apointed to vallue y° S^d houfe

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that William Hart be bound to John Bates to Lern y° trade of a Carpenter

This Day Benjamin Tyree Surrendered James Curnute up to to the Parifh & it is Ordered that y° S^d Curnute be bound out by the parifh which is accordingly done to Rich^d Maples

C. Thacker Minefter

William Bajsett

William Morris

Teft Francis Cook Clerk Veftry

[31]

This Indenture Made this 13th day of March Anno^q Domini one Thoufand Seven hundred and thirty By and between Co^{ll} William Bajsett and Cap^t William Morris Churchwardens of the Parifh of Blifland for the time being of the one part and Richard Maples of the Said Parifh Taylor of the Other part Witnefseth that the Said Churchwardens for Several good Caufes and Confidérations hereafter Mentioned and Exprefsed doth hereby binde and put James Kernute a Servant and an aprentice Unto the Said Richard Maples to Serve him well and truly from the day and date hereof untill he Shall Come to the age of twenty one Years from the day of his Birth and that in all Lawfull Service and Imployment he Shall Excercife and Imploy himfelf about dureing the afore Said term and in Confidération of the Said Service the Said Richard Maples doth hereby Covenant promife grant and agree to and with the Said Churchwardens to doe his true and utmoft Endeavor to Learn and Teach his Said aprentic[e] the art and Miftry of a Taylor and that in all things and that in all things relateing to the Said trade and to find and Maintaine his Said aprentice with all Nefejar Cloathin Meate drink wafhing and Lodging and that dureing the whole time and Term aforefaid and Shall allwaife

Endeavor to Inſtill piety and vertue into him and at the End and Expiration of his Said Aprenticeſhip Skill give and alow to his Said apprentice one good Sute of aparell in Witnefs wereof all the above Named partyes have hereunto Set there hands and Seales the day and yeare firſt above written

William Baſſett }
William Morris } Churchward^s

Signed Sealed
and in preſents of us
Francis Cook
Tho: Williams

Copia Teſt Francis Cook Clerk Veſtry

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At a Veſtry held for Bliſland Pariſh at y^e Brick Church y^e 23^d of Auguſt 1731

preſent

the Reverend Chicheley Thacker Miniſter

Coll William Baſſett & Cap ^t William Morris	Churchwardens	} Veſtrymen
Major Rich ^d : Richardſon	M ^r Georg Woodward	
M ^r John Sclater	M ^r Lanlett Woodward	
M ^r William Mackain	M ^r Georg Clough	
M ^r John Doran		}

This Veſtry agrees with Coll: William Baſſett to build a dary or Milkhouſe for the Miniſter to his Likeing & to bring his acc^t to the Laying of the Next pariſh Levie to be paid According to the Vallue of the Work

William Son of Sarah Sawyer is diſcharged from paying Levie till the veſtry Shall think him Capable to pay it

This veſtry has alowed Mary Crook three hundred pounds of Tobb towards building her a dwelling houſe

Chichley Thacker Miniſter
William Baſſett }
William Morris } Churchwarden

Teſt Fran Cook Clerk veſtry

[33]

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at y^o Lower Church y^o
9th day of Noveb^r 1731

Presen y^o Reverent M^r Thacker Minister

M ^r John Sclater	}	Coll William Bafsett	} Churchwardens
Maj Rich ^d son		Cap ^t William Morris	
Cap ^t William Kenney	}	M ^r Georg Clough	} Vestry men
M ^r William Mackain		M ^r John Doran	
M ^r Georg Woodward		M ^r Lanclett Woodward	

This Vestry proceeds to Lay y^o Parish Levie

To y ^o Rev ^d . M ^r Thacker Minister for one years Sallery	16000
To Casque at 4 p C ^t to D ^o .	640
To Francis Cook his years Sallery & Caske alowd at 4 p C ^t .	2080
To Francis Shoemaker Sexton Since the 13 th of March Laft	334
To Richard Warren Sexton at y ^o upper Church	520
To Sarah Smallpage her Maintaineanc this year	520
To M ^r Joh Dandridge for 2 Copies Lifts of Tithables	40
To M ^r Mathew Kemp Clerk James Citty for one Copie D ^o .	20
To Jane Crafford a Ballance due to her housband	186
To Cap ^t Morris Churchwarden for four Communiions	400
To D ^o . his Acc ^t for Sundrys	238
To Mary Crook toward building her house	300
To Major Richardson for Sallevateing Ann Evans & waranting y ^o Cure till Novb ^r	1040
To Coll: William Bafsett his Acc ^t £11=13=8½ in Tobb at 11 S p C ^t	2126
To John Richardson his Acc ^t for delinquents	732
To M ^r John Doran for Medicens for Eliz: Barker past & till Next vestry	520

To Benj ^a . Tyree for Keeping James Curnute two Moneths	67
To Dorothy Henry for Keeping Lucy Gill	832
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Ut Supra C^r

By Tob ^o . due from the Collector Laft yeare	58
By D ^o . Short paid y ^o parifh Tob ^o £	1064
By Sam ¹¹ Curll	400

1522The Parifh Debt is 25073

26595

To 14 ⌘ C ^t on 25073 pounds of Tob ^o	3510
To 15 ⌘ polle for Tob ^o . towards building a Church on 761 Tithes is	11415
To 18 ⌘ C ^t on 11415 pounds of Tobacco	2055
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	42053

Ut Supra C^r

By 761 Tithables at 55 ⌘ polle is	41856
By Tobacco to be paid by the Collector & to be Levied for him Next year	198
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	42053

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Joseph Linsey upon his petetion to This Veftry is discharged from paying his Parifh Levie

It is Ordered by this prefent Veftry that the Tobacco Levied Towards Building a New Church remaine in the Collectors hands till the Next Veftry

It is Ordered by this present Vestry that the Parish Levie for this present yeare be fifty five pounds of Tobacco ff pole and that Major Richard Richardson Sherif and Collector of this Parish Collect the Said Summ of fifty five pounds of Tobaccos from Every Indevdual Tithable perjon in this Parish and that he pay the said Tobaccos to the Severall Respective Parish Creditors by Inspectors Notes before the tenth day of Aprill Next and that the Clerk of the vestry tak Bond with good and Sufficient Security of the Said Richardson for the payment of the Said Tobaccos before he deliver him a Copie of this Order of Vestry and of the Parish Charge

Chicheley Thacker Minister
William Bassett
William Morris

Test Francis Cook Clerk vestry

at a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at y^o Brick Church y^o 26th: day of June 1732

ff resent y^o Revn^d M^r Thacker Minester
Coll. William Bassett Churchwarden

Major Rich ^d Richardson	M ^r Georg Woodward
Cap ^t William Kenney	M ^r John Doran
M ^r William Cox	M ^r Lanclett Woodward

it is Ordered by this present vestry that Coll. William Bassett do Sell what Tobacco y^o Collector Can gett in of y^o Parish Tobacco by Next Newkent Court and that what money the Said Tobacco Sels for remaine in his hands till further Orders from the Vestry

Isaac Godin upon his petition to this Vestry has his Neagro Man Harry discharged from paying Parish Levy

John Williams at his request is discharged from paying Parish Levy

Test Francis Cook Clerk Vestry

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Att a veftry held for Blijland Parifh at y^o Brick Church y^o
9th of October 1732

Present the Revn^d. M^r Thacker Minefter

Coll William Bajsett }
Cap^t William Morris } Churchwarden^s

M ^r William Cox	}	M ^r Lanclett Woodward	}
M ^r John Doran		M ^r Tho: Williams	
M ^r Georg Woodward		M ^r Georg Clough	
Veftry Men		Veftry Men	

This Veftry Proceeds to Lay y^o Parifh Levie

To the Revnd M ^r Thacker Minefter for a yeas Sallery	16000
To Cafque ꝑ ^r D ^r : at 4 ꝑ ^r C ^t	640
To Frañ. Cook Clerk for his Sallery this yeare with Cafque Included	2080
To Frañ Shoomaker Sexton for this yeas Sallery	520
To Rich ^d Warren Sexton for this yeas Sallery	520
To Sarah Smallpage for her yeas Maintainance	520
To M ^r Matthew Kemp for a Copie of y ^o Lift of tiths	20
To M ^r John Dandridge for two Copies of the Lifts of Tiths	40
To Cap ^t William Morris for four Communionis	400
To Tho: Lyon for Keeping Mary Crook & her Child three Moneths	400
To M ^r Tho: Williams for Keeping Jane Croford two Moneths	100
To Frañ: Cook for the Ufe of Evan Jones	500
To John Miller	250
To Rebeckah Merideth Toward building her a houfe	300
To Dorothy Henry for keeping Lucy Gills	800
To John Richardfon his Accom ^t for delinquents	1566

24656

To Coll. William Bafsett £17=16=4 To M' Thacker £1=6=0 for building a Smoak house on the Gliebe £1=15=0	400
Cr ^d by Samuell Curll	400
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	24256
To 14 ⌘ C ^t on 24256 ^s of Tob ^o	3396¾
To 10 pounds of Tobb ⌘ pole Towards building a Church	7700
To 18 ⌘ C ^t on 7700	1386
Tobacco due from the Collector Next yeare	222
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C ^r	
by 770 Tiths at 48 ⌘ pole	36960

[36] Brought Over

M' William Cox Refusing to Serve any Longer as a Vestry Man in this Parish M' Joseph Allen is Chosen in his place and Sworn Accordingly by M' John Sclater a Majestrate for this County

M' Tho: Williams Agreed with This Vestry to keepe Jane Croford for ffifty pounds of Tobb & Casque ⌘^r Moneth

It is Ordred by this present vestry that Tho Garrot upon his ⌘etetion be Aquited from paying Parish Levie

M' William Mackain & M' Georg Clough are Chosen Church wardens for this Parish in y^e roome of Coll: William Bafsett and Cap^t: William Morris & were Accordingly Sworn by M' John Sclater one of his Majestys Justices

It is Ordered by this present Vestry that the parish Levie for this present yeare be forty Eight pounds of Tobbacco ⌘^r pole and that M' John Thornton Sub Sherif and Collector of this parish do Collect the Said Summ of forty Eight pounds of Tobacco from Every Individuall Tithable person within this parish Except the pole Abaitment and that hee pay the Said Tobbaccoes to the Severall respective parish Creditors to whome

it is due by Inspectors Notes before the Last day of Aprill Next and that the Clerk of the vestry take Bond with good and Sufficient Security of the Said Collector for the payment of the Said Tobbaccoes before he deliver him a Copie of this Order of Vestry and the parish Charge

C Thacker Minister
W^m Bafsett
W^m Morris

Test Frañ Cook Clerk Vestry

[37]

At a Vestry held for Bliſland Pariſh at y^e Brick Church y^e 13th day of June 1733

preſent y^e Rev^d Chichley Thacker Miniſter
Coll William Bafsett M^r William Mackaine } Church
Major Rich^d Richardſon M^r Georg Clough } warde[ns]
Cap^t William Kenney M^r John Sclater
M^r John Doran

This Vestry Apoints Coll William Bafsett to Sell the tobb which was raised towards Building of a Church at publick Auction

Phillip Charles upon his Wifes petition to this Vestry is Aquited from paying Pariſh Levie while he remains in this Condition

Cornelious Jones on his pettⁿ to this Vestry has his Son Stephen Aquited from payin pariſh Levie this yeare

C Thacker Miniſter
William Mackaine } Church w
Georg Clough }

Test Frañ Cook Clerk of y^e vestry

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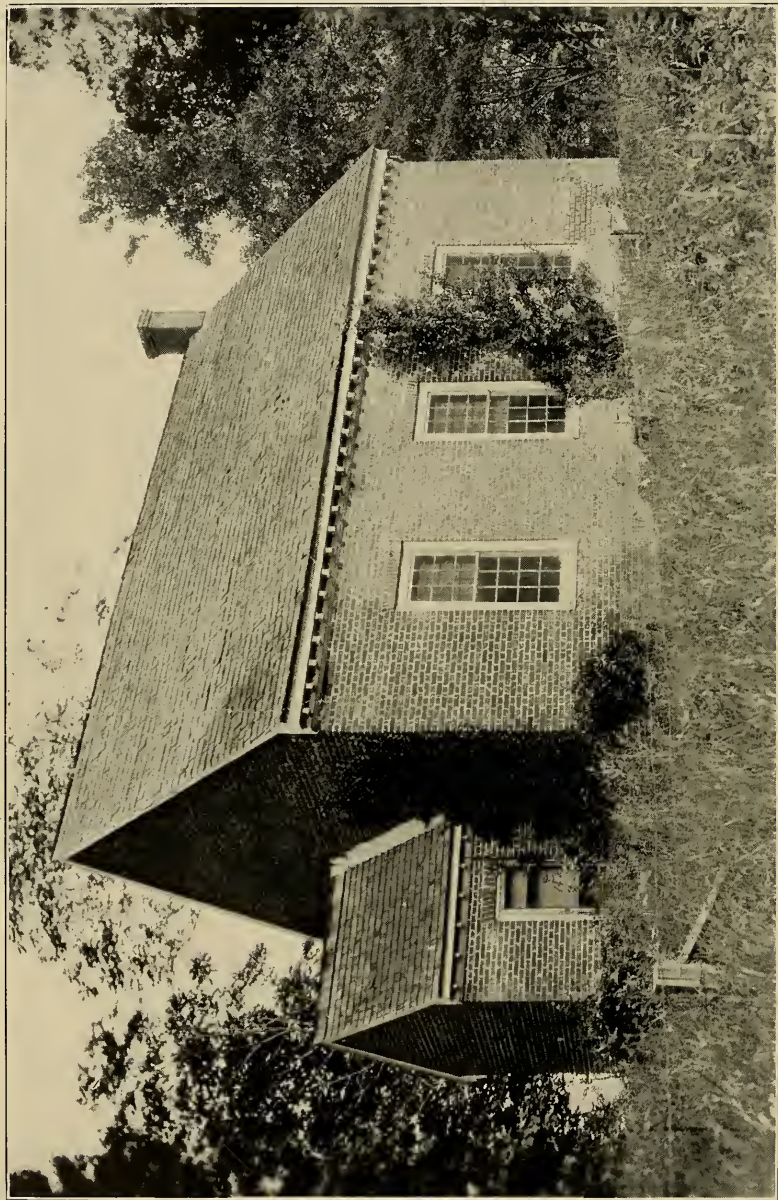
At a Vestry held for Bliſland Pariſh at the Lower Church y^e 31 day of October 1733

Present the Ren^d M^r Thacker Minefter

Cap ^t William Kenney	M ^r William Mackain	}	Church Wardens
M ^r Joseph Allen	M ^r Georg Clough		
Major Rich ^d Richardfon	M ^r John Sclater		
Cap ^t William Morris	M ^r John Doran		
M ^r Georg Woodward			

This Vestry proceeds to Lay the Parish Levie

To the Ren ^d M ^r Thacker Minefter for a years Sallery	16000
To Casque to D ^o at 4 p^r C ^t	640
To Frañ Cook Clerk for a years Sallery Casque Included	2080
To Frañ Shoemaker Sexton for a years Sallery	520
To Rich ^d Warren Sexton for a years Sallery	520
To M ^r Matthew Kemp for a Copie of the Lift of tithes	20
To M ^r John Dandridge for 2 Copies of the Lift of tithes	40
To Cap ^t William Morris for 3 Communionis	300
To Dorothy Henry for Keeping Lucy Gills	832
To M ^r Tho Williams for keeping Jane Croford	550
To Casque to D ^o	22
To John Miller toward his years Maintainanc	300
To Rich ^d Jones for keeping Mary Crook 4 Moneths	400
To M ^r Mackain for one Communion	100
To Ann Evans	200
To Jones Parish for keeping Jane Croford	34
To Peter Ball for 2 horfe blocks & 6 benches finding Matearals	150
To Jane Croford for her Maintainance	520
	23228
To 14 p ^r C ^t on 23228	3251
	26479
C ^t by Samuell Curl	400
C ^t in M ^r Thorntons hands	222
	25857



HICKORY NECK CHURCH, BLISLAND PARISH, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA

(Courtesy of Mr. Joseph W. Geddes, A. I. A., P. A. S. I., Williamsburg, Virginia)

The north, or rear, portion of this church is a part of the addition made in 1774-1776 on the north side of the Lower Church of Blisland Parish, which was erected in 1734-1738. Sometime during or subsequent to the Revolution, the whole church with the exception of most of the north wing was torn down, and the south, or front, portion of the present church building was erected, the bricks used being evidently some of those that had been in the walls of the original church.

Tobacco Levied toward a Church	24000
To 18 p ^r C ^t on 24000 pounds of Tobacco	4320
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	54177
*C ^r by 769 tithes at 71 p ^r pole	
Tobacco in y ^e Colectors hands to be paid Next yeare	422
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	54599
M ^r William Mackain & M ^r Georg Clough Continued Churchwardens	
by 769 tiths at 71 Ⓕ	54599

[39]

It is Ordered by this present Veftry that M^r Joseph Allen and M^r John Doran Settle with Coll Bafsett the Pariſh Acc^t it is Ordered by this present Veftry that a Church be built of Brick in the Lower part of this pariſh Sixty foot Long & 26 foot wide within the Walles the farther Dementions to be as the Veftry Shall agree with the workmen

it is Ordered by this present veftry that the Churchwardens Sell the goods belonging to Mary Crook

it is Ordered that the Churchwardens demand the Church plate which belonged to the Uper Church of the Late pariſh of Wilmington Now in the hands of M^r William Brown Gen^t

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that the pariſh Levie for this present yeare be Seventy one pounds of tobb p^r pole and that Cap^t William Morris high Sherif and Collector of this pariſh do Collect the Said Summ of Seventy one pounds of tobacco from Every Indevidual tithable perſon on this pariſh Except the pole abatemt and that he pay the Said Tobaccos to the Severall reſpective pariſh Creditors to whome it is due by Inſpectors Notes before the Laſt day of Aprill Next and that the Clerk of the veftry take bond with good Suficient Security of the Said Collector for the payment of the Said

*This line scratched through in original, but still legible.—C. G. C.

Tobb before he deliver him a Copie of this Order of Vestry and the parish Charg

Chichley Thacker Minf^r
William Mackaine
Georg Clough

Test Frañ Cook Clerk Vestry

Memorandum Tob ^o . due to the parish	
To Tobacco In the Colectors han	422
To Tobacco Levied for Jane Craford not due Untill next Year	520
To 1 parish Levie paid by M ^r Ballard not Levied	71

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*W^m Mackain C:W

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At a Vestry held for Blifland Parish at the Lower Church the 11 day of December 1733

Present

The Reverend Chichley Thacker Minister	} Church warden
Coll William Bafsett M ^r William Mackain	
Major Rich ^d . Richardson	M ^r Georg Clough
Cap ^t William Kenney	Cap ^t William Morris
M ^r John Sclater	M ^r John Doran
M ^r Joseph Allen	M ^r Lanclett Woodward

it is Ordered by this present Vestry that a deviding line be run between this parish and S^t peters parish Crofs the Late parish of Wilmington According to Law

it is Ordered by this Present Vestry that a Church be built of Brick for the Lower part of this Parish of Blifland on M^{rs} Holdcrofts Land on the Maine Road below y^o Late plantation of M^{rs} Weldey^s on part of the Land where M^{rs} Holdcroft Now

*This name was difficult to decipher.—C. G. C.

Lives being an Acre of Land given by M^r Holdcroft for that Use

it is Ordered by this present Vestry that a Vestry be held at M^r Stephen Furnea^s y^e first day of february in Order to Lett the building of the Church to Such workmen as the Vestry Shall agree with the Church to be Sixty foot Long and twenty six foot wide within the walls & fifteen foot pitch from the flooring of the pews to the Lower part of the plate and two foot from y^e top of the Earth to the top of the flower with a gallery & the Ile to be Laid with white Square Stone

Chichley Thacker Minister
 William Mackain Church war
 Georg Clough

Test Fran Cook Clerk Vestry

[41]

At a Vestry held for Blifland Parish at the house of M^r Stephen Furnea the first day of February 1733⁴

Present

The Reverend M^r Thacker Minister

Coll William Bassett	M ^r William Mackain	} Church wardens
M ^r Joseph Allen	M ^r Georg Clough	
Major Richard Richardfon	M ^r John Doran	
Cap ^t William Kenney	Cap ^t William Morris	
M ^r John Sclater	M ^r Lanclett Woodward	

This Vestry this day agreed with M^r John Moore and M^r Lewis Deloney to build a Church in Blifland Parish as followeth Sixty foot Long and Twenty six foot wide within the walls fifteen foot from the Flooring of the pews up to the plate y^e flooring of the pews one foot from y^e hiest part of the ground a Compas Seiling y^e Isle to be Laid with white Bristol Stones the walls to be three bricks thick up to y^e water table & two bricks & half thick from y^e water table upwards a galery twelve foot Long Six windoors in y^e body of the Church & two

in y^e East End in proportion to the pitch of the walls y^e Windows to be Arched with Safhes to be glaiſed with Safh glaſs & to be hung with Leads & pulleys wainſcoate Shutters wainſcoate pews y^e front of y^e pews pulpit & deſk to be quarter Round & raiſed panells Mondillion Eave with plaine gable Endnds & Single Corniſh the Rooſe to Covered with plank and Shingled on that y^e Doores & dore Caſes & windoore frames to be twiſe primed firſt with Spaniſh brown then with white Lead & a Compafs Alter with railles & banefters & a table & Font as Uſeall to be a Compleat Finiſhed Church workman Like turn Key and goe & this Veſtry agrees to pay the Said Moore & Deloney as follows two hundred & fifty pounds y^e 10th day of June Next & Eighty five pounds y^e 10th day of June 1735 and the Laſt payment Eighty five pounds y^e 10th of June 1736

This Veſtry has apointed Cap^t Henry Powers together with M^r William Mackain & M^r George Clough to take bond of John Moore & Lewis Delony for there faithfull performance of the above Said work and Likewise as Superviſors to Overlook the Said Moore & Delony in there proceedings

Chichley Thacker Miniſter

William Mackain

George Clough

Teſt Francis Cooke Clerk Veſtry

[42]

At a veſtry held for Bliſland Pariſh at y^e Uper Church 17th day of October 1734

Preſent y^e Ren^d M^r Thacker Miniſter

Coll William Baſſett

Cap^t William Kenney

Cap^t William Morris

M^r John Doran

M^r William Hockaday

M^r William Mackain } Church-
M^r Georg Clough } wardens

M^r Joſeph Allen

M^r Lanclett Woodward

Major Rich^d Richardson

This Vestry proceeds to Lay y ^e Parish Levie	
To the Revirend M ^r Thacker for a years Sallery	16000
To Casf to D ^o at 4 Ⓕ ^r C ^t	640
To Francis Cook Cleark for a years Sallery	2080
To Francis Shomaker Sexton for a years Sallery	520
To Richard Waring Sexton for a years Sallery	520
To m ^r John Dandridge his account	140
To maj ^r Kemp for of y ^e Lift of Tiths J City	20
To Dorithy Henry for Lucy Gills	832
To John miller for his Years maintainance	300
To m ^r mackain for four Communians	400
To ann Evans	200
To Ballard Dormer for Thomas Bates—8 months	300
To m ^r Hockaday a Ballance of an account	355
To m ^r John Thornton alloud in his account	88
To the Church Wardens for Evan Jones	300
To James Charles for Keeping his father	400
To m ^r John Markland for wrighting a deed for y ^e Church Land	100
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	23195
To 14 Ⓕ ^r C ^t on 23195 ^l of Tobb ^o	3247
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	26442
To 15 Ⓕ ^r pole toward the Church on 773 Tiths	11595
To 14 Ⓕ ^r C ^t on 11595 ^l Tobb ^o	1623
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	39660
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By 773 Tithables at 51 Ⓕ ^r pole	39433
a Ballance dew to the Collector for next year	237
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	39670

ordered that the Collector Receive of Samuel Curll four hundred pounds of Tobbaco for his Rent and four hundred that is

a bove Levied for James Charles not now due that he keep the Said 800 pounds of Tobb° in his hands and account with the Veftry for the Same

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October the 17th 1734

Whearas John Sclater Gen^{tl} a late Veftry man for this parifh is dead this Veftry has Chose m^r William Hockaday to Serve in his Stead who was Sworn accordingly by m^r W^m mackain Ge^t

W^m mackain & Joseph Allen & m^r John Doran Gen^{tl} are ap-
poynted to Settle with the Late Collecters & Retern an account to the Vestry

Joseph Allen Gen^{tl} & m^r W^m Hockaday are Chose Church Wardens in the Room of m^r W^m mackain & m^r Georg Clough & ware Sworn accordingly by m^r m^r W^m mackain

It is ordered by this preasant Veftry that m^r Lancelott Woodward Demand the Church plate plate belonging to the uper Church in the late Wilmanton parifh now in the hands of m^r Brown Gen^{tl}

This Veftry has agreed with the minister to Build a new Glebe House on the Glebe Land as Soon as they have payd for all the Charges of the new Church now Building

Chichly Thacker ministr

Joseph Allen

W^m Hockaday

Teft Francis Cook Cleark Vestry

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that the parifh Levie for this present yeare be fifty one pounds of Tobacco ~~for~~ pole and that Cap^t William Morris high Sherif of this County and Collector of this parifh do Collect the Said Summ of fifty one pounds of Tobacco from Every Individuall Tithable perfon in this Parifh Except the pole abatement and that he pay the Said Tobaccos to the Severall respective Parifh Creditors to whome it is due by Inſpectors Notes before the Laſt day of

Aprill Next and that the Clerk of the vestry take bond with good Sufficient Security of the Said Collector for the payment of the Said Tobacco before he deliver him a Copie of this Order of Vestry and y^e Parish Charg

Test Frañ Cooke Clerk Vestry

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at a Vestry held for Blifland Parish at the Lower Church the 14th day of October 1735

prejent

the Reverend M^r Thacker Minister

Major Richardfon	M ^r Joseph Allen	} Church wardens
Cap ^t William Kenney	M ^r William Hockaday	
Cap ^t William Morris	M ^r William Mackain	
M ^r John Doran		

This Vestry proceeds to Lay the Parish Levie

To the Reverend M ^r Thacker Minister for his years Sallery	16000
To Casque to D ^o at 4 p^r C ^t	640
To Francis Cook Clerk of the uper Church for his years Sallery	2080
To Thomas Pettus Clerk of the Lower Church for his years Sall	1040
To Francis Shoomaker Sexton at the Lower Church	520
To Richard Warren Sexton at the uper Church	520
To Majo ^r Kemp for a Copie of the List in James Citty	20
To M ^r John Dandridge for a Copie of the List of tiths	40
To Dorothy Henry for keeping Lucy Gills	832
To M ^r William Hockaday for 4 Comunions	400
To John Miller for his years Maintainance	300
To Ann Evans toward her Maintainance	200
To Ballard Dormar for keeping Tho Bates	450
To Sarah Taylor toward her Suport	300
To Francis Day for Burying John Hall	200

To Charity Bracket for keeping Jane Crofford one yeare	600	
To Ballance due to M ^r Hockaday Laft yeare	237	
To Ballance his Acc ^t this yeare for Delinquents	120	
To Eliz Hurt toward Maintaing her Children	300	
		24799
To 15 q^r pole on 775 Tithes is		11625
		36424
To 4 q^r C ^t on 36424 is		1457
		37881
The whole pariſh Debt is	37881	37881
Ballance due from the Collector	119	119
By M ^r Hockaday for Sam ^l Curll his rent		
Laft yeare	400 C ^r	*400
By Sam ^l Curll ^s rent due this yeare	400	*400
		37200
By 775 tithes at 48 ^l q^r pole is 37200	*38800	37200
		38000

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It is Ordered by this preſent Veſtry that 600^l of Tobacco be Levied for the Suport or Maintainance of Jane Crofford this Enſuing yeare for who Soever will Keep her

It is Ordered by this preſent Veſtry that Edward Lively be Saxton at the Lower Church in the roome of Francis Shoomaker M^r William Hockaday and M^r John Doran are Choſen Churchwardens for this Enſuing yeare and were Accordingly Sworn before M^r William Mackain a Majeſtrate for this County

It is Ordered by this preſent Veſtry that Julious Burbidge Collect the pariſh Tobacco this Enſuing yeare

It is Ordered by this preſent Veſtry that the Churchwardens Vew The Reverend M^r Thacker^s Barn and if they finde it

*Scratched through in original, but still legible.—C. G. C.

worthy of Repairing to Cause it to be done otherwise to Build a New one

It is Ordered by this present Vestry that the Parish Levie for this present yeare be forty Eight pounds of Tobacco £ pole and that M^r Julious Burbidge deputy Sheriff of this County and Collector of this Parish do Collect the Said Summ of forty Eight pounds of Tobacco from Every Individuall tithable person in this parish and upon Refusall of payment of Any part to make distres According to Law and that he pay the Said Tobaccos to the Several parish Creditors to whome it is Exprest to be due by Inspectors Notes before the Last day of Aprill Next and that the Clerk of the Vestry Take Bond with good and Sufficient Security of the Said Collector for the payment of the Said Tobacco before he deliver him a Copie of this Order of Vestry and the parish Charge

C Thacker Minister
John Doran
William Hockaday

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at y^e Uper Church the 21st day of June 1736

£ reasant

the Revirend m^r Thacker minister

Coll William Bafsett	M ^r John Doran	} Church ward ^s
M ^r William Mackain	M ^r William Hockaday	
M ^r Lancelott Woodward	M ^r Thomas Williams	
M ^r George Woodward	M ^r George Clough	
Cap ^t William Morris	M ^r John Richardfon	
	Maj ^r Richard Richardfon	

M^r John Richardfon being Elected a vestry man for this Parish & having Taken the Oath appoynted for a vestry man is admittted one for the future

This vestry hath agreed to Levy the Sum of tenn Thousand Pounds of Tobacco upon the Tithable Persons of this Parish Every year untill they have paid the Sum of two Hundred pounds Corant money for Building a Gleb house upon the glebe of this Parish the S^d house to be Built according to the Dementions and Directions of Coll^o William Bafsett and the Revirend m^r Chichly Thacker, the Tobacco to be Sold by the Church wardens Every year to the best markitt they can gett untill the Said Summ is comply'de with

M^r Jeremiah Stanup is Elected a Vestry man for this Parish and ordered that he be Sworn the first opportunity

C Thacker Minist^r

John Doran Chur^d

William Hockaday: Ch^r

Test Francis Cook Cler: Ves^r

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At a vestry held for Blisland Parish at the Uper Church the 18th day of october 1736

Preasant

the Revirand m ^r Thacker minister	M ^r John Doran
Maj ^r Richard Richardson	M ^r william Hockaday
Cap ^t william Morris	M ^r George woodward
M ^r william Mackain	M ^r George Clough
Coll william Bafsett	M ^r John Richardjon
M ^r Lanc th Woodward	M ^r Jeremiah Stanup

This Vestry Proceeds to Lay the Parish Levie

To the Revi'd m ^r Thacker minister for his years Sallery	16000
To Cas ^k to Do at 4 P ^r C ^t	00640
To Fran Cook Clerk at the uper Church his years Sallery	02080
To Tho ^o Pettus Clerk at the Lower Church his years Sallery	01040

To Richard Warrin Sexton at the uper Church	00520
To Edward Lively Sexton at the Lower Church	00520
To Dorothy Henry for years maintainance Lycy Gills	00832
To John Miller	00300
To ann Evans	00200
To David Pryer for keeping Tho ^s Bates last year	00450
To Eliza Hurt toward maintaining her children	00300
To m ^r William Hockaday for fore communians	00400
To Sarah Taylor	00300
To Maj ^r Kemp for James citty list of Tiths	00020
To Maj ^r Dandridge his account	00141
To John Evans for Keeping Jane Crofford last year	00700
To Tobb ^o Levie'd towards a Glebe House	10000
To Julias K Birbidge Collector his Ball ^s	00069
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	34512
To 6 Ⓕ C ^t for Collecting 34512 ¹¹ Tob ^o	02071
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	36583
Due from the collector to be paid next year	101
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	36684
By Sam ^l Curls Rent	400
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By 772 Tiths at 47 Ⓕ ^r Poll	36284
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	36684
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Ordered that maj^r Richard Richardfson m^r will^m mackain and m^r william Hockaday meet and Settle the account of the Late m^r Joseph Allen & M^r John Doran for Tobbo Bought of y^e Parish

M^r John Richardfson is Chosen Church warden in y^e room of m^r william Hockaday & was Sworn accordingly

upon the Petetion of william mackain Gen^t his negro boy Jemmy being a crippl, & a naturall fool is discharg'd from paying Parish Levies

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Ordered that the Church wardens Gett the County Surveyer and run the dividing line Between the parish of S^t Peters and the Parish of Blisland & that they give the Church Wardens of S^t Peters Parish notice thereof

orderd that M^r John Doran church Warden Pay Thomas maples four pounds tenn Shill^s for keeping anderson Odals Child 4=10=

Do to Richard Waring Washing the y^o Surplis = 5=

Do Leonard Henley his acc^t 1= 3=

and the ball^o of m^r Hockaday's acc^t

Ordered that Julias King Burbidge is the Collector of the Parish Tobb^o this Year he giving Bond & Security as usual

C Thacker min^r

John Doran: Churⁿ

John Richardson

Tejt Fran Cook Clerk of the Vestry

At a veftry held for Bliisland Parish at the Lower Church y^o 10th day of october 1737

Present the Reverend M^r Thacker Minister

Coll William Bafsett	M ^r John Doran	} Church wardens
Major Richard Richardson	M ^r Jn ^o Richardson	
Major William Morris	Cap ^t Lanclot Woodward	
M ^r William Mackain	M ^r Georg Woodward	
M ^r Georg Clough	M ^r William Hockaday	
M ^r Jeremiah Stanup	M ^r Leonard Henley	

M^r Leonard Henley Chofen a veftryman in y^o roome of M^r Th^o Williams dec^d having this day taken all the oaths apointed

to be Taken to his Majesty King Georg the Second are thereby Continued veftry men for the future

Ordered that his *Hon^{rs} Letter Sent to this Veftry be Recorded which is as followeth

Gentlemen

Being informed that Some Scruple hath arifen among you whether one who hath taken the Oaths to the Government as a Juftice of peace ought to Take them againe on his Admition in to the Veftry I am to acquaint you the Oaths Ought to be taken in Every different Capafity one Acts in though Never So often taken before and that without doing it no man Can be a Veftry man I am Gen^l your Mofl humble Ser^t

William Gooch

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This Veftry proceeds to Lay the Parijh Levie

To the Reverend M ^r Thacker Miniſter for his years Sal- lery	16000
To Caſque to D ^o at 4 p ^r C ^t	00640
To Francis Cook Clerk at the uper Church his years Sal- lery	02080
To Tho: Pettus Clerk at the Lower Church his years Sal- lery	01040
To Richard Warren Sexton at the uper Church	00520
To Edward Lively Sexton at the Lower Church	00520
To the Maintainance of Lucy Gills	00624
To M ^r John Dandridg for two Copies of the Lifts of tithes	00040
To M ^r Matthew Kemp for the Lift in James Citty	00020
To John Miller for his years Suport	00300
To M ^r John Richardſon for four Commu ^{ns} 400 to paying M ^r Eatons Acc ^t	00700
To John Pigg for a dyall poſt	00050

*Written above another word, probably "Excelencie's," which has been scratched through and is illegible.—C. G. C.

To Robert Taylor towards his Maintainance	00300
To Tobb towards a Gleibe house	10000
To David Pryer for Keeping Tho: Bates laſt yeare	00450
To Tho: Maples for keeping Anderſon Odalls Child	00750
To William Farthing for keeping Tho: Linſey	00700
To William Hatfeild for keeping Jane Croford	00350
To Sarah Taylor towards her Maintainance	00300
To Eliz: Hurt towards her Maintainance	00300
To M ^r Edm ^d Walker for Seates & harbour	00050
To Daniell Allen Jun ^r	00060
To M ^r Ruſſell a Levie over Charged Laſt yeare	00047
To pay the Ballance of M ^r Burbidg his Acc ^t	00460
To Sam ^l Curll for Burying Rebeckah Smith	00100
To M ^r John Rich ^d ſon for burying Evan Jones	00120
To Sam ^l Curll for Cureing Sarah Phips	00180
To M ^r Henley his Acc ^t	00086
To Rich ^d Haiſelwood for two horſe blocks	00250
To Prudence Fiſhers Son Cleaning the Church yard	00050
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	37087
To Sallery on 37087 is	2225
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	39312
C ^t By Sam ^l Curll his Rent	400
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	38912

It is Ordered by thiſ preſent vſtry y^t Lewis Deloney be allow^d forty Shill for y^e two Windows in y^e Gallery & y^t he be p^d no more money till he hath finiſhed y^e Church According to Agree^{m^t}

Coll William Baſſett Elected Churchwarden in y^e roome of M^r John Doran & Sworn with M^r John Rich^dſon Accordingly

Ordered y^t the Governers Letter be recorded in y^e Veſtry Book

This day the Veftry do hereby Agree y^t all the former Orders by them made before they took the Oaths be good and in force

Ordered that M^r Burbidg Collect the pariſh Tobacco giving Bond with Sufficient Security

C Thacker Miniſter
 William Baſſett }
 John Richardſon } Ch Wardens

Teſt Frañ Cook Clerk Veftry

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At a veſtry held for Bliſland Pariſh at the uper Church y^o
 12th day of July 1738

¶preſent

The Reverend M^r Thacker Miniſter

M ^r W ^m Mackain	M ^r John Rich ^d ſon Church warden
Cap ^t John Doran	M ^r George Woodward
Cap ^t Lanclett Woodward	Cap ^t W ^m Hockaday
M ^r Leonard Henley	M ^r Jeremiah Stanup

It is Ordered by this preſent Veftry that M^r W^m Mackain Cap^t W^m Hockaday and M^r Leonard Henley do Settle all the pariſh Acc^{ts} the day after Auguſt Court Next if faire if not the Next faire day at Coll W^m Baſſett^s and Make a return of there proceedings to the Next veſtry

it is Ordered by this preſent Veftry that M^r Lewiſ Deloney and M^r John Moore do finiſh there work at the Lower Church According to agreement by the tenth day of October Next and upon there failure Ordered that the Churchwardens Employ workmen to finiſh the S^d Church According to agreement

it is Ordered by this preſent Veftry that Coll William Baſſett one of the preſent Churchwardens agree with Some Maſter of a Ship to Carry Honour Moore to Briſtoll and alſo to alow her Something to beare her Charges from Briſtoll to Irland and bring his Charge to the veſtry and it Shall be alowed him

James Brown petitioned this Vestry to be Levy free and he appearing a Cripple & very Unable to Labour it is Ordered that he be discharged from paying parish Levies for the future and also discharged from all arears of parish Levies Now due

C Thacker Min^r
John Rich^dson Churchwarden

Test Frañ. Cook Clerk vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the Uper Church
Octobe^r y^e 12th 1738

present The Reverend M^r Thacker Minister

Coll W^m Bassett }
M^r John Rich^dson } Churchwardens

Major Rich ^d Rich ^d son	M ^r George Woodward
M ^r W ^m Mackain	M ^r Lancl ^s Woodward
Cap ^t John Doran	M ^r Jeremyah Stanup
Cap ^t W ^m Hockaday	M ^r Georg Clough
Majo ^r W ^m Morris	Vestrymen

This Vestry proceeds to Lay the parish Levie
To the Rever^d. M^r Thacker Minist^r for his years Sal-
lery 16000
To Casque to D^o at 4 p^r C^t 00640
To Frañ Cook Clerk at the uper Church 02080
To Tho: Pettus Clerk at the Lower Church 01248
To Rich^d Warren Sexton at the uper Church 00520
To Ed: Lively Sexton at the Lower Church 00520
To Rich^d Warren for washing y^e Surplus two years 00100
To Ed: Lively for washing the Surplus two years 00100
To the Maintainance of Lucy Gills 00624
To John Miller toward his Maintainance 00300
To M^r John Rich^dson for four Communiones 00400

To Ballard Dormar for keeping Tho: Bates	00119
To Ann Glasbrook for keeing Sam ¹¹ Pauley	00462
To M ^r John Richardson for planting trees at the Lower Church	00050
To Robert Taylor toward his Maintainance	00300
To M ^r Mackain being Over Charg ^d Laft year 3 tithes	00144
To M ^e John Dandridg his Acc ^t	00081
To M ^r Kemp for a Copie of the Lift of Tiths	00018
To Sarah Haukins for Cureing John Hill ^s Legg	00500
To Eliz: Hurt towards her Maintainance	00300
To Tho: Maples for keeping Anderfon Odals Child	00750
To W ^m Shelbourn for Cleaning y ^e yard at y ^e Lower Church	00048
To Sarah Taylor toward her Maintainance	00300
To Ballard Dormar for burying Tho: Bates	00075
To M ^r Julious King Burbidge his Acc ^t .	00400
To Cap ^t Doran for Salevateing Eliz: Philbates	01000
To tobb: Levied toward the Gleibe houfe	10000
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To Salery @ 6 £ C ^t on 37079	2225
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By Sam ¹¹ Curls Rent	400
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By 809 Tiths @ 48 £ pol	38832
Bal due to y ^e Collector	72
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	38904

Turn Over

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Turn over

it is Ordered by this present that y^e Churchwardens Agree with Charles Rawson to keep Honour Moore for five hundred pounds of tobb & Cafque till October Next

it is Ordered that Coll William Bajsett do Build a Brick Chimney & other Nefesaryes to M^r Thackers kitchin

it is Ordered that the Churchwardens do pay M^r Pennington^s Acc^t of thirty Shillings

it is Ordered that the Churchwardens do lett Sarah Hatfeild have two barells of Corn & Cotten to her a pettycoate

it is Ordered that Joyce Odall do keep Anderfon Odals Child for five hundred pounds of tobb & Cafque a yeare

Coll William Bajsett & Cap^t William Hockaday are Chosen Church wardens for this present yeare & Sworn Accordingly

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that the parish Levie for this present yeare be forty Eight pounds of Tobb: p^r pole & Coll William Bajsett & Cap^t Wm: Hockaday Churchwardens for the Said parish are apointed to Collect & receive the Said Sum^m of forty Eight pounds of tobacco from Every Individuall tithable perjon within this parish & in Cafe of refusall of payment of any part thereof to Levie the Same by distrefs According to Law the Said Coll: Bajsett & Cap^t Hockaday first Entering into bond with good & Suficient Security to the Veftry for the Ufe of this parish for the payment of the Said Severall Sums of tobacco to the Severall respective parish Creditors to whome it is due According as they are Mentioned & Exprest in the parish Charg and it is also Ordered that the Clerk of the Veftry take Bond as aforefaid before he deliver a Copie of the parish Charg and of this Order of Veftry to the Collectors

C Thacker Min^rW^m BajsettW^m Hockaday

Churchwardens

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At a Vestry held for Blifland Parish at the Lower Church
y^o 8th day of October 1739

present

the Reverend M^r Thacker Minister

Cap^t William Hockaday Church Warden

Major William Morris

Cap^t John Doran

M^r William Mackain

M^r Lanclot Woodward

M^r Georg Woodward

M^r Jeremiah Stanup

M^r Georg Clough

M^r Leonard Henley

This present Vestry proceeds to Lay the parish Levie

Blifland parish D^r

To the Rever ^d M ^r Thacker Minister Casque Included	16640
To Frañ Cook Clerk at the uper Church Casque Included	2080
To M ^r Tho: Pettus Clerk at the Lower Church Casque Included	1248
To Richard Warren Sexton at y ^o Uper Church Casque Included	520
To Ditto for Wajhing the Surplus	50
To Edward Lively Sexton at the Lower Church the Same	570
To Lucy Gills towards her Maintainanc	624
To John Miller towards his Mantainanc	300
To Ann Glasbrook for keeping Samuell Pauley	738
To Cap ^t William Hockaday for four Communiones	400
To Ditto his Account given the Vestry	1000
To Robert Taylor toward his Maintainanc	600
To Tho: Maples for keeping Anderfson Odals Child	500
To Augustine Shelbourn for keeping Sarah Taylor	300
To Cap ^t Doran for Sallevating Eliz filbates	350
To M ^{rs} . Mary Kenney for keeping Eliz forgiſon	400
To M ^r John Richardson for the Quitrents of the Gleibe	44
To the Churchwardens for the use of James filbates	300
To William Farthing for keeping Tho: Linſey two years	1224

To Coll Bafsett by Orde of Charles Rawfson for keeping Honour Moore	520
To tobacco Levied to be Sold for the Ufe of the parifh	5000
To Major Dandridge for two Copies of the Lift	36
To M ^r Matt Kemp	18
To Julius K Burbidge the Ballanc of his Acc ^t	197
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	33659
To Sallary @ 6 p ^r C ^t on D ^o	2020
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	35679
To a Dipositum in the Collectors hands	147
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	35826

Turn over

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Turn Over

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that John Maning bee difcharged from paying Parifh Levies

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that William Fox be difcharged from paying Parifh Levies

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that Auguftin Shelbourn for keeping Sarah Taylor this Inſuing year five hundred of tobb and Cafque

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that the Church Wardens Take Care of William Tanner for the Inſuing yeare and allow him what they think in their difcretion is Necefary for his Subſtance and bring their Account to the Veftry and it Shall be allowed

it is Ordered by this present Veftry that Ballard Dormar be allowed for this Inſuing yeare Six hundred pounds of tobb and Cafque for Keeping and Maintaining David Dormar for the yeare Inſuing

it is Ordered by this present vestry that Cap^t John Doran admineſter Such Cure as he Can poſſible to David Dormar for the Inſuing yeare and that he bring his Account to the Next veſtry when the Levie is Laid and he Shall be paid

it is Ordered by this present Veſtry that the Widow Fiſhers Sons be diſcharged from paying Pariſh Levie this Inſuing yeare

it is Ordered by this present Veſtry that Cap^t John Doran and M^r William Mackain proportion the Pariſh Levie

M^r Georg Woodward this Veſtry hath Relinquiſhed his place of a Veſtry man and he is hereby diſmiſt from the Said Office

Cap^t Edwin Dangerfeild is hereby Apointed a Veſtry man in the Roome of the Said Woodward for the future and Sworn Accordingly

Cap^t John Doran and M^r Leonard Henley were Choſen Churchwardens and was Sworn Accordingly

it is Ordered that Samuell Curle have two hundred pounds of tobb allowed him out of his Rent the Next yeare for Reparations done on the Gleibe

Purſuant to an Order of Veſtry wee the Subſcribers have proportion^d the pariſh Levie and find it to be forty two pounds of tobb ƒ poll and a depoſitum of one hundred and forty Seven pounds of tobb in the Collectors hands to be by him Accounted for at the Laying of the next pariſh Levie October y^e 20 1739

John Doran
William Mackain

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it is Ordered by this present Veſtry y^t the pariſh Levie for this present yeare be forty & two pounds of tobb ƒ polle & that M^r John Allen Sub-ſherif of this County is apointed to Collect and Receive the Said Summ of forty two pounds of tobb Every Individuall Tithable perſon within this pariſh & in Caſe of reſuſiall of payment of any part thereof to Levie the Same by diſtreſs according to Law the Said Allen firſt Entring

into Bond with good & Sufficient Security to the Vestry of this parish for the payment of the Said Severall Sums of tobacco to the Severall respective parish Creditors to whome it is due According as they are Mentioned and Exprest in the parish Charge and it is also ordered that the Clerk of the Vestry take Bond as aforejaid before he deliver a Copie of the of the parish Charg and of this Order of Vestry to the Collector

C Thacker Minister
John Doran C Warden

Test Frañ Cook Clerk Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the uper Church the 29th day of September 1740

present

the Reverend M^r Thacker Minister

Coll William Bajsett	Cap ^r John Doran	} warden } Church
Cap ^r Edwin Dangerfield	M ^r Leonard Henley	
Cap ^r William Hockaday	M ^r Lanclot Woodward	
	M ^r John Richarson	

This Vestry proceeds to Lay the Parish Levie

To the Rever ^d Chichley Thacker Minister his years Salery	16000
To Casque to D ^r .	00640
To Francis Cook Clerk at the uper Church	02080
to Tho Pettus Clerk at the Lower Church	1248
to Richard Warren Sexton at the Uper Church	570
to Ed: Liveley Sexton at the Lower Church	607
to the Maintainance of Lucy Gills	624
to John Miller toward his Maintainance	300
to Charles Rawson for keeping Honour Moore	570
to M ^r Henley for four Communions	400
to M ^r Dandridg for two Copies of the Lifts of Tithes	36

to Auguftin Shelbourn for keeping Sarah Taylor	300
to Ann Glafbrook for keeing Sam ¹¹ Pauley	400
to W ^m Farthing for keeping Tho: Linfey	600
to Tho: Taylor for keeping Eliz: Hurts 3 Children	400
to Major Richardfon for his trouble with David Dormar	300
to Ballard Dormar for keeping his Son David	624
to Ann Evans for Maintainance of her Daughter Eliz.	400
to James Forefter for one Levie overchared Laft yeare	42
to M ^r John Dandridg his Acc ^t allowed	125
to the Clerk of James Citty	18
to Julious Burbidge for Tho Smith	162
to M ^r John Allen his Account for delinquents	691
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To 6 \pounds C ^t to D ^o	1627
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	28764
C ^r By 826 at 35 \pounds polle	28910
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To a depofitum in The Collectors hands	146

John Power John Allen & Richmond Terill Gent are Chofen Veftrymen in the Roome of W^m Mackain Georg Clough Deceaft & W^m Morris Gent Removed out of the County who Took the Oaths apointed by the Goverment and Subfcribed the Teft Accordingly

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Ordered that Charles Whitehead be difcharged from paying Parifh Levie for the year 1740

Ordered that Stephen Manning be difcharged from paying parifh Levie for the Enfuing yeare

Ordered that John Doran & Leonard Henley Gen^t be Continued C Wardens

Ordered that W^m Hockaday Leonard & John Allen Gen^t Settle the Account between Coll William Bafsett & the parifh

Ordered that the parish Levie for this present yeare be *28744 thirty five pounds of tobb ff ff olle & that Cap^t John Doran and M^r Leonard Henley Churchwardens for this Parish are apointed to Collect and receive the Saide Summ of thirty five pounds of Tobb from Every Individuall Tithable perjon within this parish and in Case of refusall of payment of any part thereof to Levie the Same by distrefs according to Law the Said Wardens first Entering into Bond with good & Suficent Security to the Vestry of this parish for the payment of the Said Severall Sums of Tobb to the Severall Respective Parish Creditors to whome it is due According as they are Mentioned and Exprest in the parish Charg and it is also Ordered that the Clerk of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid before he deliver a Copie of the parish Charg and of this Order of Vestry to the Collectors

C. Thacker Minister
John Doran Church Warden
Leonard Henley Church Ward

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the Lower Church the 15 day of October 1741

Present y^o Rever^d M^r Thacker Minift^r
 Coll William Bassett Cap^t John Doran } Church
 Cap^t Edwin Dangerfield M^r Leonard Henley } Wardns
 Cap^t William Hocaday M^r Lanclot Woodward
 M^r John Richardson M^r Richard Rich^dson
 M^r Richmon Terrell M^r Jeremiah Stanup

This Vestry proceeds to Lay y^o Parish Levie
 To the Reverend M^r Thacker his years Sallery 16000
 to Casque to D^o 00640
 to Francis Cook Clerk of y^o Uper Church his Sallery 02080
 to Tho Pettus Clerk at y^o Lower Church his Sallery 01248
 to Rich^d Warren Sexton & washing y^o Surplus 00570

*These five figures erased in original, but still legible.—C. G. C.

to Edward Liveley to D°	00570
to the Maintainanc of Lucy Gills	00624
towards the Maintainanc of John Miller	00300
to M ^r Henley for four Comunions	00400
to M ^r John Dandridg for two Copies of the Lift ^a	00036
to M ^r Benj Waller for one Copie	00018
to Rich ^d Gaddey for Burying Eliz Evans	00150
to Auguſtin Shelbourn for Keeping Sarah Taylor 6 moneths & burying	00520
to James Shelbourn for keeping his Brother till this time	00800
to Ballard Dormar for keeping his Son David till now	00624
to M ^{rs} Tho ^s Oakley for keeping Honour Moore	00700
to M ^{rs} Mary Holdcraft for Makeing the harbour	00035
to Edward Linfey for burying Eliz Hurt	00100
to M ^r William Rountree Jun ^r his Acc ^t	00160
to Sarah Haukins for keeping Eliz Baker Six moneths	00300
to Charity Bracket for keeping John Son of Randal } W ^{ms} for the time paſt it being Six Moneths }	00300
to Cap ^t John Doran for keeping keen foulks & Caſque	02080
to Cap ^t Doran for Francis Day & Caſque	00832
Towards paying Coll Baſſett ^s Acc ^t	03000
to Cap ^t Doran for Prudence Fiſher	00400
to M ^r John Allen for Delinquents & Quitrents	00271
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	32758
To 6 Ⓕ C ^t for Sallery on 32758	01965
By M ^r Leonard Henley for Supernumary tithes	00234
By Cap ^t W ^m Hockaday Francis Brookers Levie	00034
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	34902
By 831 Tiths at 42 Ⓕ pole	35171
To Deposited in the Collectors hands to be Accounted for Next year	448

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It is Ordred by this present Vestry that the Churchwardens do agree with Workmen to Cover y^o Dary on the Gleibe with Shingles & to Cover y^o Quarter with Clapboards & to build a Shed at y^o End of the Barn & Cover it with Shingles

it is agreed with Cap^t Jn^o Doran to keep Keen Foulks y^o Enjuing yeare for one Thoufand ¹¹ of Tob^{oo} & Caslk

agreed with Cap^t Jn^o Doran to find Francis Day in Medicins the Enjuing yeare without any farther Reward

Ordered y^t Francis Cook have 200 ¹¹ of Tobacco for keeping Henry y^o Enjuing yeare

Ordered y^t M^r William Slater^a Bond to Pauley be Comen^{ta} to y^o Clerk of y^o parish

Ordered y^t Francis Day be discharg^d from paying parish Levie y^o Ensuing yeare

Cap^t Edwin Dangerfeild & M^r Lanclot Woodward are Chofen Churchwardens in the roome of Cap^t Doran & M^r Henley & Sworn accordingly

Ordered y^t Richard Bull be discharg^d from paying parish Levie

It is Ordered by this present Vestry y^t the parish Levie for this present yeare be forty & two pounds of Tobcco ⌘ pole & that Cap^t Edwin Dangerfeild and M^r Lanclot Woodward Churchwardens for this parish do Collect the Said Summ of forty two pounds of Tobacco from Every Individuall Tithable person within this parish & upon refusall of payment to Levie the Same by distresjs according to Law y^o Said wardens firjt Entering into Bond with good & Sufficient Security to the present Vestry of this parish for the Use of the parish for the payment of the Said Sums of tobacco to the Severall respective parish Creditors to whome it is due by Inspectors Notes by the Last day of May Next and it is also Ordered that the Clerk of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid before he deliver a Copie

of the parish Charg & of this Order of Vestry to the Said Collectors

Chichely Thacker Min^r
 Edwin Daingerfield } Churchwardens
 Lanclot Woodward }

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 15th Day of October Anno^d 1742

Present

The Rever^d C. Thacker Min^r

Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield } Church wardens
 M^r. Lancelott Woodward }

William Bajett Esq^r M^r John Richardson
 Cap^t John Doran. M^r Leonard Henley
 Cap^t William Hockaday M^r Richmond Terrel

This Vestry Proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

B. Parish D^r.

To the Rever ^d C. Thacker Minister his years Sallery	16000
To Cask to D ^o .	640
To M ^r . Francis Cook, Clerk of the Church & Vestry Including Cask	2080
To M ^r . Tho ^s . Pettus Clerk of the Lower Church In- cluding D ^o	1248
To Richard Warren Sexton at the upper Church & washing the Surplus	570
To Edward Lively Sexton at the Lower Church & washing the D ^o	570
To the Maintainance of Lucy Gills	624
To the Maintainance of John Miller	300
To the Maintainance of Tho ^s . Lindjey two years	1248
To the Maintainance of David Dormer	624
To M ^r . Francis Cook for keeping Henry bear	200
To Maj ^r . Edwin Daingerfield for four Communiones	400
To Peter Ball for keeping Hon ^r . Moore	500

To Elenor Pitman	300
To M ^r . Tho ^s . Taylor for keeping Hurts three Children two years Past, & Randal Williams's Dec ^d . two months & a halfe, includeing Cask	624
To Francis Day	300
To M ^r . John Woodward Jun ^r & Charity Bracket for keeping John Williams Son of Randal Williams Dec ^d .	600
To M ^r Richard Allen on Levy overcharg'd	42
To James Shelbourn, for keeping Tho ^s . Shelbourn five months And Burying him 500 ^l , & Cask 20 ^l	520
To Sarah Hawkins, for keeping Eliz th Barker	430
To M ^r . Lancelott Woodward, for keeping Eliz th Barker	460
To D ^o . for Stephen Jones, & James Philbates Delinquents	84
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge for two Copies of the list of Titheables	36
To M ^r . Benjamine Waller for one D ^o	18
To M ^r John Allen the Ballance of his Acco ^t .	657
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Brought over	29075
To William Bafsett Esq ^r . to Discharge his acco ^t . Fifteen Pounds, Six Shillings & Eight Pence halfe penny	2534
To Maj ^r . Edwin Daingerfield, to the Ballance of his acco ^t . Four Pounds ten shillings	720
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel the Ballance of his Acco ^t . Three Pound four shillings	512
To M ^r . Richard Gaddey the Ballance of his acc ^t . One Pound five shillings	200

To M ^r . Benj ^a . Allen the Ballance of his acco ^t . Three Pound	480
To M ^r . Lancelot Woodward the Ballance of his } Acco ^t . Seven shillings & ten Pence	} 63
To Cap ^t . John Doran for keeping Keen Foulks last } year One Thousand Pounds of Tob ^o & Cask	} 1040
To Cap ^t . John Doran for Cutting of Keen Foulks's } leg Eleven Hundred & Cask	} 1144
To Keen Foulks's Board from this time till this } time twelvemonth	} 1200
	<hr/> 36968
To 6 Ⓕ Cent for Sallery on 36968	2242
	<hr/> <hr/> 39210
To Depositium in the Collectors hands to be acco ^{td} . for next year	120
	<hr/> 39330
Credit By 828 Tithes at 47½ Ⓕ Poll	39330

Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield & M^r. Lancelott Woodward
are Continued Church Wardens

Order'd by this Prefent Vestry that Stephen Maning be
Discharg^{td} From Paying his Parish Levy

Order'd by this Prefent Vestry that Fancis Day be Dis-
charg'd From Paying his Parish Levy

Order'd by this Prefent Vestry that the Churchwardens
bind out John Williams Son of Randal Williams Dec^d

Order'd by this Prefent Vestry that Samuel Curle be
Discharg'd From Paying his Parish Levy

Order'd by this Prefent Vestry that Tho^s. Lyon Sen^r. be
Discharg'd From Paying his Parish Levy

Turn over

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This Present Vestry M^r Francis Cook Declin'd being Clerk of The Church & Vestry, Dudley Williams was Chosen in his room Haveing Taken the Oaths accordingly

Richard Warren haveing Declin'd Serving as Sexton of the Uper Church, David Gray is Chosen in his room

Order'd by this Present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this Present year Be forty Seven Pounds & a halfe of Tob^a \textsterling Poll & that Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield & M^r. Lancelott Woodward Churchwardens for this Parish Do Collect the S^d Sum of Forty Seven & a halfe pounds of Tob^a. from Every inividual Titheable Person within this Parish, and upon Refusal of Payment, to Levy the Same by distrefs according to Law The S^d. Wardens first Enttring into Bond with good & Sufficient Security To the Present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob^a. to the Several respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors notes by the last day of May Next, and it is also order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond As afores^d, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and of The order of Vestry to the S^d. Collectors

Sign'd By

Chicheley Thacker Minis^r.

Edwin Daingerfield

Lancelott Woodward

} Churchwardens

Copy Test Dudley Williams Clark of the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church
The 17th Day of December 1742

Present

M^r. Chicheley Thacker Minis^r. William Bafsett Esq Cap^t
John Doran; Maj^r Edwin Daingerfield & M^r Lancelott

Woodward Churchwardens; Cap^t William Hockaday, M^r Jeremiah Stanup, M^r Jn^o Rich^dson, M^r Leonard Henley, M^r Richmond Terrell

Cap^t. John Power being formerly Chosen a Vestryman Was Sworn, by W^m Bafsett Esq

Doctor Tho^s Arnott Chofen a Vestryman in the room of Maj^r. Richard Richardson, order'd That he be Sworn accordingly

And M^r. Jn^o. Rufsel Jun^r. is Chofen a Vestryman in the Room of M^r. Jn^o. Allen, who is remov'd out of the Parish And County; & M^r. Jn^o. Rufsel Jun^r. was Sworn Accordingly by Cap^t. William Hockaday

Order'd by this present Vestry That Cap^t William Hockaday, Cap^t. John Power M^r John Richardson & M^r Leonard Henley, that they lay of a Yard at the Lower Church and Agree with workmen to brick it in

Order'd by this present Vestry that Sarah Hawkins have Five Hundred Pounds of Tob^o for Keeping John Hill, From this time till the laying the next Parish Levy

Sign'd By Chicheley Thacker Min^r.

Edwin Daingerfield } Church
Lancelott Woodward } Wardens

Copy Test. Dudley Williams Clk Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blesland Parish at the lower Church the 18th. day of october. 1743

Present

The Rever'd M^r Thacker; Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield & M^r. Lancelott Woodward, Churchwardens, W^m Bafsett Esq^r. Cap^t. John Doran; Cap^t. William Hockaday; M^r. Jeremiah Stanup; M^r. Leonard Henley; M^r. John Richardson; M^r. Richmond Terrel; Cap^t. John Power

This Vestry proceeds to lay y ^o . parish Levy		Dr.
Blisland Parish		
To the Rever'd M ^r . Thacker, his years Sallery	16000	
To Cask to Ditto	640	
To M ^r . Tho ^s . Pettus Clark of the lower Church includeing Cask	1040	
To Dudley Williams Clark of the upper Church in- cludeing Cask	1560	
To David Gray Sexton of the upper Church & washing the Surp ^s .	570	
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church & washing the Surp ^s .	570	
To the maintainance of Lucy Gills	624	
To the maintenance of John Miller	300	
To the maintenance of Tho ^s . Lindsey	624	
To the maintenance of David Dormer	624	
To Joseph Lindsey	300	
To Elenor Pitman	300	
To M ^r . William Parks, for advertiseing workmen for the Ch. wall	56	
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge, for two copies of the list of Titheables	36	
To M ^r . Benj ^a . Waller for one copy of the list of Titheables	18	
To Sarah Hawkins for keeping Eliz th . Barker	700	
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel for Keeping Richard Bull	500	
To Cap ^t . John Doran for Cureing Anne Gibson	1040	
To Rich ^d . Farthing for keeping Jn ^o . Williams Son } of Randal Williams Dec ^a till the last day of } Nov ^r .	600	
To M ^r . John Woodward Jun ^r . for keeping the Same child	100	
To M ^r . Fra's Cook, for Henry Nears	300	
To M ^r . Lancelott Woodward for one delinq ^t . Tythe	47½	
To Maj ^r . Edwin Daingerfield for four Communion	400	

To M ^r . John Allen	219
To Coll ^o . W ^m Bafsett, for cloathing Keen Foulks & Hon ^r . More	300
To Maj ^r Edwin Daingerfield for makeing Bricks, } & makeing A Brick wall round the Church }	16000
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Debt brought over	43468½
Credit By M ^r . Lanc ^{tt} . Woodward for Sam ^l Curll's rent in the year 1742	235
	<hr/> 43233½
To 6 P. Cent for Sallery on 43233½ ^{1b} Tob ^o	2594
	<hr/> 45827
Credit By 858 Tythes at 53½ ⌘ poll	45903
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To a Depositium in the collectors hands to be Paid to the Parish next year	76

Cap^t. John Doran sherriff is appointed collector, giveing Bond and Security as usual

Cap^t. John Power, & M^r Richmond Terrel are chosen Ch wardens in the room of Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield & M^r. Lancelott Woodward, & Sworn accordingly

Order'd by this present Vestry, that Sam^l. Curll, be discharg'd from paying his rent on the glebe two year, & build a Tob^o. house on it four & twenty foot long & sixteen foot wide, & do it workman-like, & also that he be discharg'd from paying his quitrents two year

Order'd that the register-books that did belong to Wilmington Parish, be carried to, the Rev. M^r. Thackers

Order'd that the Ch. wardens, Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield, Cap^t. William Hockaday, M^r. Lanc^{tt}. Woodward, M^r.

Leonard Henley. & M^r. John Richardson or any three of them, go with the Surveyor of James City County, & run the line between Blisland Parish and St peters Parish. according to the act of asembly

'Tis agreed by this present Vestry that Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield have the Sixteen thousand pounds of Tob^o. that is levied for the Church wall at twelve Shillings & Six pence ¶ hundred, & that The Collector pay it to him by July Court next

Sign'd By Chicheley Thacker Min^r

John Power
Richmond Terrel } Ch wardens

Copia Test. Dudley Williams Cler Vestry

Order'd

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Order'd by this present Vestry that the Parish levy for this p^resent year be fifty three & a halfe pounds of Tob^o. p^r. poll. & that John Doran Gent. do collect the Said Sum of fifty three & a halfe pounds of Tob^o. from every Individual titheable person within this Parish and upon refusal of payment to levy the Same by distrejs accord^s. to Law, the S^d. John Doran Gent. first entring into Bond with good & Sufficient Security, to the present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish, for the payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob^o. to the Several respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors notes by the last day of May next, and it is also order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as afores'd before he deliver a copy of the Parish charge and of the order of Vestry to the Said collector

Test Dudley Williams Clk. Vestry

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At a vestry held for Blisland Parish at the uper Church the 15th Day of October 1744,

Present,

The Rev. M^r. Thacker Cap^t. John Power & M^r Richmond Terrill Churchwardens, Maj^r Edwin Daingerfield, Cap^t. William Hockaday, M^r. Jeremiah Stanhope, M^r. Tho^s. Arnott, M^r. Lancelott Woodward, M^r. Leonard Henley, M^r. John Richardson, & M^r. John Rufsel Jun^r

This vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev'd M ^r . Thacker his years Sallery	16000
To Cask to Ditto	640
To Tho ^s . Pettus Clerk of the lower Church 1000 & Cask 40	1040
To Dudley Williams Clerk of the uper Church & vestry 1500 & Cask 60	1560
To David Gray Sexton at the upper Church 500 & washing the Surplice 70	570
To Edward Lively Sexton at the lower Church 500 & washing the Surplice 70	570
To the maintainance of Lucy Gills	624
To the maintainance of John Miller	300
To the maintainance of Tho ^s . Lindsey	624
To the maintainance of David Dormer	624
To Joseph Lindsey	500
To Eleanor Pitman	300
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge for two copies of the list of Titheables	36
To M ^r . Benj ^a . Waller for one D ^o .	18
To the maintainance of Hon ^r . Moore, to be paid M ^{rs} . Thornton	800
To the maintainance of Hon ^r . Moore 3 months, to be paid Charles Rawson	200
To Sarah Hawkins for keeping Elizabeth Barker	700
To Sarah Hawkins for keeping John Hill till this time	700

To M ^r . Richmond Terril for keeping Richard Bull last year	600
To Francis Day	1000
To Cap ^t . John Power four Commun ^s .	400
To Cap ^t . John Power for his cash acco ^t . £ 6 9 ^s 11 ^d at 9 ^s ⌘ Cent	1446
To Sarah Tirey	1000
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel for 2½ Barrels of corn at 8 ^s ⌘ Barrel	227
To Keen Foulks	1000
To Tho ^s . Oakley	275
To Tho ^s . Oakley for cash	7
To David Pryour for keeping Tho ^s . Holdcroft's child	624
To Julius K. Burbidge for Delinq ^{ts}	695
To pay the Surveyor for running the Parish line	450
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	33530
To 6 p Cent on 33530 ¹¹ Tob ^o for Collecting	2011
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D ^o . C ^r . By 892 Tythes at 40 ⌘ poll	35680
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A Depositium in the Collectors hands of	139
Turn over	

Cap^t.

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Cap^t. William Hockaday Sherriff is appointed Collector for this present year, giving Bond and Security as usual;

Order'd that the Churchwardens agree with Some person to build a Smoak house for The Rev. M^r. Thacker 12 foot square

M^r. Thruston James is appointed a Vestryman in the room of of W^m. Bajsett Gen^t, Dec'd

M^r. David Williams was this day Sworn a Vestryman in the room of John Doran Gen^t. Dec'd;

Doctor Tho^s. Arnott was this day Sworn a Vestryman in the room of Richard Richardson Gen^t. Dec'd;

Cap^t. John Power, & M^r. Richmond Terril are continued Churchwardens for the ensuing year

Sign'd By C. Thacker Minister

John Power }

Richmond Terril } Ch Wardens

Copia Test Dudley Williams Cler. Vestry

Tis order'd by this present Vestry that the Parish levy for this present year be forty pounds of Tob^o. p. poll & that William Hockaday Gent. do collect the Said Sum of forty pounds of Tob^o from every individual Titheable person within this Parish, and upon refusal of payment to levy the Same by distrefs according to Law the Said William Hockaday Gent. first entring into Bond with good and Sufficient Security to the present Vestry of this Parish for the use of the Parish for the paym^t. of the Said Sums of Tob^o. to the Several respective Parish creditors to whom it is due by Inspectors notes by the last day of May next; and it is also order'd that the Clerk of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and order of Vestry to the Said Collector

Test Dudley Williams Clerk of the Vestry

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 23^d. day of Sept^r. 1745.

Present; the Rev. M^r. Thacker; Cap^t. John Power, and M^r. Richmond Terril, Church Wardens; Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield, Cap^t. William Hockaday, M^r. Lancelott Woodward. M^r. John Richardson, M^r. Leonard Henley, M^r John Rufsel, and M^r. Thruston James

M^r. Thruston James being chosen a Vestryman the last Vestry, was this day Sworn accordingly

Cap^t. Rob^t. Pennington is chosen a Vestryman in the room of M^r. Jer. Stanhope Dec'd

M^r. Julius K. Burbidge is chosen a Vestryman in the room of M^r. David Williams Dec'd

'Tis order'd by this present Vestry that the Churchwardens give publick notice (by advertizeing in the Gazetts) that the upper Church in Blisland Parish is to be repair'd as followeth, (Viz.) to be new cover'd with Cypres Shingles & a new floor laid, whitewash'd & painted inside and out, the Church yard wall repair'd, & new gates made

'Tis order'd that the Churchwardens give notice for the workmen to meet the Gent. of the Vestry, the Second Tuesday in Nov^r. next at the upper Church to agree about repairing the Church

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r.

John Power }
Richm^d. Terrel } Ch warden

Test Dudley Williams Clerk o' the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church the 8th Day of October 1745

Present the Rev. M^r. Thacker, Cap^t. John Power and M^r. Richmond Terrell Church wardens, Cap^t. William Hockaday, Cap^t. Robert Pennington, M^r. Leonard Henley, M^r. John Richardson, M^r. Julius King Burbidge and M^r Thruston James

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish levy	
Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker his years Sallery 16000	To
Cask to D ^o 640	16640
To M ^r . Tho ^s . Pettus Clerk of the lower Church 1000	To
To Cask to D ^o 40	1040

To Dudley Williams Clerk of the upper Church and Vestry 1500 To Cask to D°. 60	1560
To David Gray Sexton at the upper Church 500 To Cask to D°. 20	520
To Edward Lively Sexton at the lower Church 500 To D°. to D°. 20 To washing Surp°. 50	570
To the maintainance of Lucy Gills	624
To the Ditto of Tho°. Lindsey	624
To D°. David Dormer	200
To D°. Joseph Lindsey	800
To D°. Eleanor Pitman	300
To D°. David Gray	150
To D°. Keen Foulks	500
To D°. Fran°. Day	1000
To D°. William Fox	800
To M°. Richard Allen for washing and mending the Surplice	74
To Maj°. John Dandridge for two Copies of the list of Tithes	36
To M°. Benj°. Waller for one D°.	18
To M°. John Merrideth for services done at the glebe	480
To Cap°. John Power for four Communions	400
To Keziah Charlton for keeping Elizabeth Barker and her child	850
To M°. Richmond Terrel for keeping Richard Bull	600
To D°. his acco°. £ 3 9 ^s Tob° at 1½ Ⓕ ^r . pound	552
To D°. his acco°. for quitrents of the Glebe land two years	192
To Ballard Dormer for one Tythe overcharg'd	40
To M°. John Allen	60
To D°. for James Holdcroft Son of Tho°. Holdcroft	1000
To David Pryor	624
To repairing the Church	13000

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D°. C°. By Cap ^t . William Hockaday Parish Collector	1059
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D°. D°. To 6 Ⓕ Cent for Collecting 42295 ¹¹ Tob	2537
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D°. C°. By 876 Tythes at 51½ Ⓕ. poll	45113
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Cap^t

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Cap^t. William Hockaday and M^r. Thruston James are chosen Church Wardens (in the room of Cap^t. John Power and M^r. Richmond Terrell) and was Sworn accordingly

Cap^t. William Hockaday Sherriff and Churchwarden is appointed Collector for the ensueing year giveing Bond and Security as usual

Order'd by this present Vestry that Sus^a. Wallis be discharg'd from paying her Parish levy

Order'd that the Rev. M^r. Thacker Send for a Set of Plate for the lower Church

Order'd that the Churchwardens receive five pounds Current money of Cap^t. Robert Pennington which was given to the poor of the Parish by Cap^t. William Kenney Dec'd

Agreed with M^r. John Allen that he take James Holdcroft Son of Tho^s, Holdcroft immediately from David Pryors and keep him clear of any Charge of the Parish in Consideration of which he is to have a thousand pounds of Tob^o. the ensuing year

Order'd that Cap^t. John Power Cap^t. Robert Pennington and M^r. Julius K. Burbidge meet and proportion the Parish Levy

Order'd that Moll a Negro Woman belonging to Mary Crutchfield be discharg'd from paying her Parish levy

Cap^t. Robert Pennington and M^r. Julius King Burbidge being chosen Vestrymen last Vestry were this day Sworn accordingly

Order'd that the lower Church be painted inside and out, when the upper Church is painted

Sign'd By C Thacker Min^r
William Hockaday Ch warden
Thruston James Ch warden

Copy Test Dudley Williams Clerk o' th' Vestry

'Tis order'd by this present Vestry that the Parish levy for this present year be fifty one and a halfe pounds of Tob^o. p. poll and that William Hockaday Gent Sherriff of New Kent County do collect the Said Sum of fifty one pounds and a halfe of Tob^o. from every individual Tithable person within this Parish and upon refusal of payment to levy the Same by distrejs according to law the Said W^m. Hockaday first entring into Bond with good and Sufficent Security to the present Vestry of this Parish for the use of the Parish for the payment of the Said Sums of Tob^o. to the Several respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due by Inspectors notes by the last day of May next, and it is also order'd that the Clerk of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid before he deliver a Copy of the Parish charge and order of Vestry to the Said Collector

Test Dudley Williams Clerk o' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 18th. day of April 1746

Present, The Rev. M^r. Thacker, Cap^t William Hockaday and M^r. Thruston James Church Wardens Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield, Cap^t. John Power, M^r. Lancelott Woodward, M^r. Leonard Henley, M^r. John Richardson, M^r. Richmond

Terrel, M^r. Julius K. Burbidge and M^r. John Rufsel Junior

Agreed by the Said Vestry that an addition be made to the upper Church in the said Parish as followeth (viz) Thirty three feet long from outside to outside, and twenty three feet wide from outside to outside, and two sash windows on each side the S^d. Addition, and a folding door at the end the addition made of brick, (and the Ile laid with brick,) and cover'd with Cypres Shingles, and plaister'd and whitewash'd

Order'd that the Church Wardens give public notice (by advertiseing in the Gazetts) for workmen to meet the Gentlemen of the Vestry the Second Tuesday in May next at the upper Church of the Said Parish to agree about undertakeing the Said Addition

Order'd that the Church Wardens sell the Tob^o. which is levied for repairing the Church at publick auction

M^r. Richard Allen is chosen a Vestryman in the room of M^r. Thomas Arnott, and was Sworn accordingly by Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield

Order'd that Robert Manning be discharg'd from paying his Parish levy

Order'd that Nicholas Valentine be discharg'd from paying his Parish Levy

Order'd that Isabella Gray be Sexton of the upper Church till laying the next Parish levy

Sign'd By C Thacker Min^r

William Hockaday }
Thruston James } Ch. Wardens

Copy Test Dudley Williams C Vestry

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 9th. day of Sep^r 1746

Present The Rev: M^r. Thacker, Cap^t. William Hockaday, and M^r. Thruston James Churchwardens; Cap^t. Rob^t.

Pennington, M^r. Leonard Henley, M^r. John Richardson,
M^r. Richmond Terrel, & M^r. Richard Allen

'Tis order'd that the Church Wardens Sell the Tob^o. that
is levied for repairing the Church at publick Auction at next
New Kent Court and if they cannot get nine Shill^s. and
Six pence $\frac{2}{3}$ Cent. for it, it is further order'd that they re-
ceive the Tob^o. for the use of the Parish, and have it re-
priz'd

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r
William Hockaday Ch Warden
Thruston James Ch Warden

Copy Test Dudley Williams Clerk o' th' Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church
the 8th day of October 1746

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker Minister	
Cap ^t William Hockaday	} Church Wardens
M ^r Thruston James	
Maj ^r . Edwin Daingerfield	M ^r . John Richardson
Cap ^t . John Power	M ^r . Richard Allen, and
M ^r . Lancelott Woodward	M ^r Richmond Terrel

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish levy

Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker his Years Sallery 16000 ¹¹ Tobo	
To Cask to D ^o 640 ¹¹	16640
To M ^r . Tho ^s . Pettus Clerk o' the lower Church 1000	
To Cask to D ^o . 40	1040
To Dudley Williams Clerk o' the upper Church, & Ves- try 1500. To Cask to D ^o . 60	1560
To Ijsabella Gray Sexton of the upper Church 500	
To Cask to D ^o . 20 To washing Surp ^s . 50	570
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower D ^o . 500 To	
Cask to D ^o . 20 To washing Surp ^s . 50	570

To the maintainance of Lucy Gills	624
To Widow Lindsey for Tho ^s . Lindsey	624
To David Dormer	250
To Anne Lindsey	300
To Elenor Pitman	300
To Keen Foulks	500
To Francis Day	1000
To William Fox	800
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge for the list of Tithes	36
To M ^r . Ben: Waller for D ^o	18
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday for four Communiones	400
To Ditto paid Keziah Charlton, for keeping Eliz ^a . Barker	850
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel for keeping Richard Bull	600
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday for Quitrents of the Glebe land	144
To M ^r . John Allen for keeping James Holdcroft Son of Tho ^s . Holdcroft Decd	1000
To Benjamine Tirey for keeping two of Sarah Tirey's Children	936
To Maj ^r . Edwin Daingerfield for Margarett Gray	1000
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	29762
Ditto C ^r . By Cap ^t William Hockaday	281
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	29481
D ^o . D ^r . To 6 ⌘ Cent for Collecting 29481 ¹¹ Tob ^o .	1768
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	31249
D ^o . C ^r . By 907 Tithes at 34½ ⌘ poll	31291½
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A Depositum in the Collector's hands to be accounted for at laying y ^o . next levy	42½
	Cap ^t

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Cap^t. William Hockaday and M^r. Thruston James are Continued Church Wardens

M^r. Gill Armistead D. Sher. is appointed Collector the ensuing Year giving Bond as usual

M^r. Julius K. Burbidge Resign'd being a Vestryman, and M^r. William Hogg is Elected in his Stead.

Order'd that the Church Wardens agree with workmen to build a corn house on the Glebe

Ifsabella Gray Resign'd being Sexton, John Taylor is Chosen in her Stead

Order'd that M^r. Julius K. Burbidges letter of Resignation be recorded in the Vestry book—Which is as follows (Viz)

To The Vestry of Blisland Parish

Gentlemen

I am not inclined to serve as a Vestry Man any longer, therefore desire you'l Elect one in my Stead, which I wish may be M^r. Ratcliffe

I am

Your hble Serv^t.

October. 8. 1746

Julius K. Burbidge

Tis order'd by this present Vestry that the Parish levy for this present Year be thirty four and a halfe pounds of Tob^o. ꝥ poll and that M^r. Gill Armistead D Sher. do Collect the S^d. Sum of thirty four & a halfe pounds of Tob^o. from every individual Titheable person within this Parish, and upon refusal of payment to levy the Same by distreſs according to law the S^d. Gill Armistead first entring into Bond with good and Sufficient Security to the present Vestry of this Parish for the use of the Parish for the payment of the S^d Sums of Tob^o. to the Several Respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors notes by the last day of May next, and it is also order'd that the Clerk of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid before he

deliver a Copy of the Parish charge and order of Vestry to the
S^d. Collector

Sign'd By C Thacker Minister
William Hockaday }
Thruston James } Ch. Wardens

Copy Test

Dudley Williams Clerk o' the Vestry

At

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At A Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the Lower Church
the 14th. day of October 1747

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker	M ^r . Leonard Henley
Cap ^t . William Hockaday	M ^r . John Richardson
M ^r Thruston James	M ^r . Richmond Terrel
Cap ^t . Robert Pennington	M ^r . Richard Allen, and
M ^r . William Hogg	Gent ^l .

This Present Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy, Which
is as followeth.

Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker, his Years Sallery, 16000 ^{lb}	Tob ^o
Tob ^o . To Cask to D ^o . 640	lb 16640
To Dudley Williams Clerk of the upper Church & vestry 1500, To Cask to D ^o . 60	1560
To M ^r . William Slater for Serving as Clerk of the lower Church	520
To John Taylor Sexton of the upper Church 500. To Cask to D ^o . 20, To washing the Surplice 50	570
To Ditto for Cleaning the Church Yard	200
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church 500, To Cask to D ^o . 20, To Washing the Surp ^s 50	570
To Ditto for mending the Surplice	50
To Tho ^s . Oakley for Lucy Gills 800 To Cask to D ^o . 32	832

To the Maintainance of Tho ^s . Linsey	500
To Anne Linsey	300
To Elenor Pitman	500
To Francis Day	800
To William Fox	800
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge for the List of Tithes 40, other Charges 77	117
To M ^r . Ben: Waller for the list of Tithes	18
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday for four Communiones	400
To Ditto for Eliz ^a . Barker	140
To Nicholas Valentine for Eliz ^a Barker 637½ To Cask to D ^o . 25	663
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel for Richard Bull	200
To Benj ^a , Tirey for keeping Sarah Tirey's to Children 1,000 To Cask to D ^o . 40	1040
To Maj ^r . Edwin Daingerfield for Marg ^{tt} . Gray	1000
To Tho ^s . Hight for the Support of William Hight	1000
To Samuel Curll for Grace Hix	375
To Macoy Williamson for D ^o .	125
To M ^{rs} , Mary Thornton, for her trouble with Mary Reece	250
To M ^r . Gill Armistead his Acco ^t	421
To John Merrideth his Acco ^t (£8 11 6½ Tob ^o at 12/6 ⌘ C ^t) for building a Cornhouse on the Glebe	1372
To Prudence Bates	300
To Martha Pickett	800
To The Rev. M ^r . Thacker one Tithe overcharg'd last Year	34½
To M ^r Richmond Terrel one Tithe overcharg'd in the Year 1745	51½
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	32149
D ^o . C ^r . By Tob ^o in M ^r . Gill Armistead's hands last Year	42½
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	32107½

D°. D°. To 6 ⌘ Ct for Collecting 32107½ ^{lb} Tob°	1926
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D°. C°. By 940 Tithes at 36 ^{lb} ⌘ poll	34033½
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D°. D°. To the Collector	193½
	M°.

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M°. Gill Armistead D She°. is appointed Collector for the En-
suing Year, giving Bond & Security as Ufual

Cap°. Robert Pennington, and M° Richard Allen are Chosen
Church Wardens in the room of Cap°. William Hockaday, &
M°. Thruston James, and were Sworn accordingly

Grijsle Henderson is appointed Sexton, in the room of John
Taylor

Sign'd By C Thacker Min°.

Robert Pennington }
Richard Allen } Ch Wardens

Copy Test Dudley Williams Clerk O' the Vestry

Memorandum

That at A Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper
Church the 8th. Day of October 1746. M°. William Hogg was
Chosen a Vestryman, in the room of M°. Julius K. Burbidge,
and was accordingly Sworn, at the upper Church the 8th Day
of September, 1747. by M°. Thruston James.

Test Dudley Williams Clerk O' the Vestry

Tis order'd by this present Vestry that the Parish levy for this
present year be thirty Six pounds of Tob°. ⌘ poll and that M°. Gill
Armistead D. She°. do Collect the Said Sum of thirty Six
pounds of Tob°. from every individual Titheable person within
this Parish, and upon refusal of payment to levy the Same by

distreſs according to Law the S^d. Gill Armist^d. first entering into Bond with good & Sufficient Security to the present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish for the paym^t. of the S^d. Sums of Tob^o. to the Several respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors notes by the last day of May next; and it is also order'd that the Clerk of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge & order of Vestry to the Said Collector

Test

Dudley Williams Clerk of the Vestry

At

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At A Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church the 14th. Day of October 1748.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker	M ^r . John Richardson
M ^r . Richard Allen, Churchwarden	M ^r . Lancelott Woodward
Cap ^t . William Hockaday	M ^r . Richmond Terrel
Cap ^t . John Power	M ^r . Thruston James
M ^r . Leonard Henley	M ^r . John Rufsel &

M^r William Hogg

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r Thacker, his Years Sallery 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . 1b Tob ^o	
To Cask to d ^o . 640	16640
To M ^r William Slater Clark of the lower Church 1000 &	
Cask to d ^o . 40	1040
To D ^o . for one Month not allow'd in last years Acco ^t .	83
To Dudley Williams Clark of the upper Church & Vestry	
1500. & Cask	1560
To John Gaddey Sexton of the upper Church 500. & Cask	
20	520

To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church 500 & Cask. & washing Surp ^s .	570
To the Maintainance of Lucy Gills 800. & Cask 32	832
To the Maintainance of Thomas Lindsey	500
To the Maintainance of Anne Lindsey	500
To the Maintainance of Elenor Pitman	600
To the Maintainance of Francis Day	800
To the Maintainance of William Fox	800
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge for the list of Tithes	32
To M ^r . Benj ^a . Waller for D ^o .	18
To M ^{rs} . Ann Pennington, for four Communiones	400
To Prudence Fisher, for Eliz ^a . Barker	700
To Ditto for John Hill	300
To Ditto for Cloathing John Hill 19 ^s . Tob ^o . at 12/6	152
To Benjamine Tyree, for Keeping Sarah Tyree's two Children	1040
To the Maintainance of Margaret Gray	1000
To Gristle Henderson, for Grace Hix	800
To M ^r . Gill Armistead his Acco ^t .	697
To James Jones, for Prudence Bates	300
To Martha Pickett	800
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge	27
To M ^r . Samuel Woodward for Rite Roberts	500
To D ^o . for Richard Creed Curl	200
To M ^{rs} . Ann Pennington for 1 Tithe overcharg'd last year	36
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel for Corn for Jane Henry 20/ Tob ^o . at 12/	166
To M ^r . John Chandler for Corn for Mary Laffoon 10/ Tob ^o . at 12/	83
To M ^r . Richard Allen his Acc ^t	295
To Josiah Maples	500
To M ^r . Jeremiah Taylor 1 Tithe overcharg'd in 1746	35

To 6 ₤. Cent for Collecting 32526 ^{1b} Tob°.	1951
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D°. C°. By 942 Tithes at 36½ ₤. poll	34477
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The Collector D°. to the Parish	94

Cap^t.

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Cap^t. William Hockaday and M^r. Richard Allen are Chosen Churchwardens for the ensuing Year, & accordingly Sworn

M^r. Francis Ratcliffe, and M^r. Isaac Goddin, were chosen Vestrymen, in the Stead of Maj^r. Edwin Daingerfield, and Cap^t. Robert Pennington dec'd, and M^r. Isaac Goddin was accordingly Sworn.

Order'd that the Church wardens receive the money that was given by Cap^t. William Kenney to this Parish for a piece of Plate, for the Church

M^r. John Richardson Sher. is appointed Collector for the ensuing Year, on his giving Bond & Security as Usual

'Tis order'd by this present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this present Year be Thirty Six & a half pounds of Tobacco ₤ poll, and that John Richardson Gent. Sheriff of New Kent County do Collect the Said Sum of Thirty Six pounds and a half pounds of Tobacco from every Individual Titheable person within this Parish and upon refusal of payment to levy the Same by distress according to Law the Said Richardson first entering into Bond with good and Sufficient Security to the present Vestry of this Parish for the use of the Parish for the payment of the Said Sums of Tob°. to the Sev'ral Parish Creditors to whom it is due by Inspectors Notes by the last day of May Next. And it is also order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as

aforesaid before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and Order of Vestry to the Said Collector

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r.
 William Hockaday }
 Richard Allen } Church Wardens

Copy Test

Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church the 10th. day of October 1749

Present

Cap ^t . William Hockaday	} Church } Wardens	M ^r . Richmond Terrel
M ^r . Richard Allen		M ^r . Thruston James
Cap ^t . John Power		M ^r . John Rufsel
M ^r . Leonard Henley		M ^r . Ijaac Goddin

And M^r. Francis Ratcliffe who was This
 day Sworn, before the Vestry Set.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish-levy
 Blisland Parish

	D ^r
	1 ^o Tob ^o .
To The Rev. M ^r . Thacker his Sallery 16000. To Cask to Ditto 640	16640
To M ^r . William Slater Clark of the lower Church 1000. To Cask to D ^o . 40	1040
To Dudley Williams Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500. To Cask to D ^o . 60	1560
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church 500. & Cask 20. And washing y ^o . Surp ^o . 100	620

To John Gaddey Sexton of the upper Church 500. & Cask 20. And washing y°. Surp°. 100	620
To the Maintainance of Lucy Gills 800. & Cask 32	832
To the Maintainance of Thomas Linsey	500
To the Maintainance of Anne Linsey	500
To the Maintainance of Elenor Pitman	600
To Francis Day	800
To William Fox	800
To Maj°. John Dandridge for two Copies of the list of Tithes	36
To M°. Ben: Waller for one D°.	18
To Cap°. William Hockaday for four Communiones	400
To William Fisher, for keeping Eliz°. Barker 2000 And Cask 80	2080
To Cap°. William Hockaday, for the use of John Taylor's family	600
To Bernal Jones, for his trouble with Grace Hix	300
To James Jones, the Bal°. of his Acco°. for his trouble with Prudence Bates	228
To Martha Picket	800
To M°. Samuel Woodward, for his trouble with Rite Roberts	400
To Josiah Maples	200
To Cap°. William Hockaday, for the use of Richard Gilmett	700
To James Wade, for keeping Hannah Bowles	400
To James Wade, for his trouble with Rite Roberts	100
To Cap°. William Hockaday the Bal°. of his Acco°, £15 6 3½. Tob°. at 12/6	2450
To M ^r e Sarah Timberlake, for keeping Sarah Tyrees two Children ten Months	866
To M°. Thruston James, the Bal°. of his Acco°. £1 16 6 Tob°. at 12/6	292

To M ^r . Richard Allen his Acco ^t , £1 13 8 Tob°. at 12/6	269
To M ^{rs} . Hannah Daingerfield her Acco ^t , £— 18 ^s — ^d	
Tob°, at 12/6	144
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel for two Barrels of Corn	
£1. Tob°. at 12/6	160
	<u>34955</u>
	<u>34955</u>

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church, the 31st. day of October 1749.

Present

Cap ^t . W ^m Hockaday	} Church wardens	M ^r . John Richardson
M ^r . Richard Allen		M ^r . Thruston James
Cap ^t . John Power		M ^r . Isaac Goddin &
		M ^r . Francis Ratcliffe

This Vestry Proceeds to Conclude laying the Parish Levy.
And to Receive the Procefsioners Returns

Blisland Parish	D ^r .
	lb Tobacco
To Debt brought over from the other Side, dated October the 10 th . 1749.	34955
To M ^r . Gill Armistead his Acco ^t . for Delinquents	779
To M ^r . Gill Armistead his Acco ^t . Cash £5 2 4 Tob° at 12/6	818½
To M ^{rs} . Hannah Daingerfield for 20 Bushels of lyme for the Glebe 10/ Tob°. at 12/6	80
To M ^r . William Hogg for a Barrel of Corn for Rich ^d . Gilmett 10/ Tob°. at D°	80

To James Wade for burying Hannah Bowles, & a further allowance for her Maint ^a .	400
To Edward Valentine for building a Henhouse on the Glebe £4 Tob ^o . at 12/6	640
To Nicholas Valentine Senior	400
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lb Tob ^o .	38152½
To 6 ⌘ Cent for Collecting 38152½	2289
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	40441½
Ditto C ^r . By Bal ^a . in M ^r . Gill Armistead's hands last year	94
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lb Tob ^o .	40347½
By 955 Tithes at 42½ ⌘ Poll	40587½
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Deposited in the Collector's hands, till laying the next Parish Levy	240

Order'd by this Present Vestry, that Cap^t. W^m Hockaday, Cap^t. John Power, and M^r Ijaac Goddin (or any two of them) Agree with a Workman to build a fram'd Vestryhouse, on the Land of M^r Ijaac Goddin, twelve by Sixteen, with a brick Chimney, & underpinn'd with brick; floor'd with Plank, & Shingl'd; & Ciel'd below Joist; & lath'd, & plaister'd. And that they get a lawful Deed of the S^a. Ijaac Goddin for half an Acre of land to Set the Said house on, before they agree with a Workman, to build the S^a. house for the use of this Parish. To be Completed before the laying the Next Parish Levy. And the charge thereof to be levied at the laying the next Parish Levy

M^r. John Richardson Sheriff is appointed Collector the En-suing Year, giving Bond and Security as usual

M^r. Ijaac Goddin, and M^r. Francis Ratcliffe are Chosen Church Wardens in the Stead of Cap^t. William Hockaday, & M^r. Richard Allen, and Accordingly Sworn

Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry Record the Sev'ral Returns of the Proceſſioners.

Sign'd By IJaac Goddin }
Francis Ratcliffe } Church Wardens

Copy Test

Dudley Williams Clark o' the Vestry

'Tis

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'Tis order'd by this present Vestry, that the Parish Levy for this present Year be forty two and a half pounds of Tob°. ʒ. Poll. And that John Richardson Gent. Sheriff of New Kent County do Collect the S^d. Sum of forty two and a half pounds of Tob°. from every Individual Titheable Perſon within this Parish; and on refusal of Payment to levy the Same by distrefs according to Law. The S^d. John Richardson first entring into Bond with good & Sufficient Security to the Present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob°, to the Sev'ral respective Parish Creditors, to whom it is due by Inspectors Notes by the last day of May next. And it is also Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and Order of Vestry to the Said Collector

Test Dudley Williams Clark o' the Vestry

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 18th day of May 1750.

Preſent

The Rev. M^r. Thacker

M^r. Francis Ratcliffe Church Warden

Cap^t. William Hockaday

M^r. John Richardson

M^r. Leonard Henley

M^r. Richmond Terrel

M^r. Richard Allen

M^r. Thruston James

and

M^r. William Hogg

The Petition of M^r. George Baker praying that his Negro Girl (who thro. the infirmity of nature is render'd incapable of doing any Service) be exempted Paying her Parish Levy, which Said Petition is granted by the Vestry.

William Garland (on his Petition to be discharg'd from paying his Parish Levy) is discharg'd from paying his Parish Levy

M^r. John Shermer is Chofen a Vestryman in the room of M^r. Lancelot Woodward deceas'd

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r.

Francis Ratcliffe Ch. Warden

Copy Test Dudley Williams Clark o' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 9th. day of October 1750.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Thacker

M^r. Francis Ratcliffe } Church

M^r. Ifaac Goddin } Wardens

Maj^r. John Power

Cap^t. William Hockaday

Cap^t. John Richardson

Cap^t. Thruston James

M^r. Leonard Henley

M^r. Richmond Terrel

M^r. Richard Allen, &

M^r. William Hogg

This Vestry Proceeds to lay the Parish Levy: (Viz^t.)

Blisland Parish

D^r

To the Rev. M^r. Thacker's Sallery 16000. To Cask 1b Tob^o.

to Ditto at 4 p C^t. 640 16640

To M^r. William Slater Clark of the lower Church 1000. To Cask to D^o. 40 1040

To Dudley Williams Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500. To Cask to D^o. 60 1560

To John Gaddey Sexton of the upper Church 500. & Cask 20. & washing the Surplice 100	620
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church 500. & Cask 20 & washing the Surplice 100	620
To the Maintainance of Lucy Gills 600 & Cask 24	624
To the Maint ^s . of Tho ^s . Linsey	375
To the Maint ^s . of Ann Linsey	400
To the Maint ^s . of Elenor Pitman	500
To the Maint ^s . of Francis Day	600
To the Maint ^s . of William Fox	600
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge Clark of N. Kent Court for two Copies of th' list o' Tithes	36
To Ditto his Acco ^t ag ^s . the Parish on Acco ^t of Frances Henry	100
To M ^r . Ijaac Goddin, for four Communiones	400
To M ^r . Benj ^s . Waller Clark of James City County Court for a Copy of the list o' Tithes	18
To Sarah Fisher, for keeping Eliz ^s . Barker	2000
To Prudence Fisher, for keeping John Hill	875
To M ^r . Samuel Woodward, for keeping Richard Creed Curl, 2 Months & 6 Days	440
To Cap ^t . W ^m . Hockaday for the use of John Taylor's family	450
To Martha Pickett	600
To Jofiah Maples	400
To Richard Gilman	525
To M ^{rs} . Sarah Timberlake, for keeping Sarah Tyree's two Children	500
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r	300
To John Lyon Constable, for moving Tho ^s . Lucas's Child to M ^r . John Tyler's in James City Parish	40
To John Wall	300
To M ^r . Fran ^s . Ratcliffe, his Acco ^t . £3 2 ^s . 5 ^d . levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ ⌘ 100	416

To M ^r . Iſaac Goddin, his Acco ^t . £6 7 6 D ^o —D ^o . at 15/ Ɔ 100	850
To M ^r . W ^m . Slater, for making a Coffin for Margaret Gray 10/ Levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ Ɔ 100	66
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel his Acco ^t . £3 18 3½ levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ Ɔ 100	521
To M ^r . William Armistead his Acco ^t . for Delinquents	214
To Cap ^t . W ^m . Hockaday, for a Lawyer's fee Employ'd ag st . Fra ^s . Henry 15/	100
To M ^{rs} . Daingerfield, for two Levies overcharg'd last Year 42½ Each	85
To Matthew Cole, for one Tithe overcharg'd in the year 1748	36½
To Benj ^a . Haselwood, for building a Quarter on the Glebe £10: Levied in Tob ^o at 15/	1333
	<hr/> 34184½
Ditto C ^r . By Bal ^a . in M ^r . William Armistead's hands last Year	240
	<hr/> 33944½
D ^o . D ^r . To 6 Ɔ C ^t . for Collecting 33,944½ ^{lb} Tob ^o .	2036
	<hr/> 35980½
D ^o . C ^r . By 944 Tithes at 38 ^{lb} Tob ^o . Ɔ . Poll	35872
	<hr/> 108½

M^r

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M^r. William Armistead is appointed Collector the Enſuing Year, giving Bond & Security as Uſual

M^r. Francis Ratcliffe, & M^r. Iſaac Goddin, are Continued Church Wardens.

The Order of Vestry which was made for building a Vestry-house last Year, is Continued.

Sign'd By C Thacker Min^r
 Fra^s. Ratcliffe. C. W.
 Ifaac Goddin C. W.

Test Dudley Williams, Clark o' the Vestry

'Tis Order'd by this present Vestry, that the Parish Levy for this present year be Thirty Eight Pounds of Tob°. ⌘ Poll; And that M^r. W^m. Armistead Deputy Sheriff in New Kent County do Collect the S^d. Sum of Thirty Eight Pounds of Tob°. from ev'ry Individual Titheable Person within this Parish; And on refusal of Payment to levy the Same by distrefs according to Law. The S^d. W^m. Armistead first Ent'ring into Bond with good and Sufficient Security to Present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob°. to the Sev'ral respective Parish Creditors to Whom it is due, by Inspectors Notes, by the last day of May next. And it is also Order'd, that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge & Order of Vestry to the Said Collector

Test Dudley Williams. Clark o' the Vestry

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the lower Church, March the 6th. 1750.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker	Cap ^t . John Richardson
M ^r . Isaac Goddin, Ch. Warden	M ^r . Leonard Henley
Maj ^r . John Power	M ^r . Richard Allen
Cap ^t . William Hockaday	Cap ^t . Thruston James, and
	M ^r . William Hogg.

M^r. Gill Armistead is Chosen a Vestryman, in the room of M^r. Francis Ratcliffe deceas'd

M^r. William Hogg is Chosen Church Warden, in the room of M^r. Francis Ratcliffe deceas'd, and was Accordingly Sworn

'Tis Order'd by this Present Vestry, that the Parish Collector keep the Tob^o. in his hands, which was levied for Benj^a. Haselwood, for building a Quarter on the Glebe, till he has Completed the Same

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r
 Ifaac Goddin Ch. Warden
 William Hogg Ch. Warden

Test Dudley Williams Clark of the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church, the 16th. Day of October 1751.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker	Cap ^t . John Richardson
M ^r . Isaac Goddin } Ch.	M ^r . Leonard Henley
M ^r . William Hogg } Wardens	M ^r . Richmond Terrel
Maj ^r . John Power	Cap ^t . Thruston James
Cap ^t . William Hockaday	M ^r . Richard Allen

M^r John Rufsel

M^r. John Shermer }
 M^r. Gill Armistead } Were both Sworn this day

Blisland Parish D^r

To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker his Sallery 16000 ^{lb} .	To	lb Tob ^o
Cask at 4 ₤ C ^t . 640.	To 4 ₤ C ^t . on 16000 for	
Shrinkage 640		17280
To M ^r . John Burnett Clark of the upper Church 1000		
& 4 ₤ C ^t . for Cask 40		1040
To Dudley Williams Clark of the lower Church & Ves-		
try 1500, & 4 ₤ C ^t . for Cask 60		1560

To John Gaddey Sexton of the upper Church 500 & 4 ⌘ C ^t . on D ^o . 20. To D ^o . for washing the Sur- plice 100	620
To Edward lively Sexton of the lower Church 500 & 4 ⌘ C ^t . on D ^o . 20. To D ^o . for washing the Surplice 100	620
To the Maintainance of Lucy Gills	600
To the Maintainance of Thomas Linsey	400
To Elenor Pitman	600
To Francis Day	600
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for the List of Tithes	18
To M ^r . Isaac Goddin for four Communions	400
To M ^r . Benj ⁿ . Tyree for keeping two of Sarah Tyrees Children two Months in the Year 1749	163
To M ^r . Isaac Goddin, for Eliz ^a . Barker 1500 & Cask to D ^o . 60	1560
To William Hawkins for keeping John Hill one Month	100
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday, for Stephen Jones's keep- ing Ruth Brooks	600
To Sarah Fisher, for Cloathing for Eliz ^a . Barker in the Year 1749	250
To James Charles, for keeping Richard Creed Curl	500
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday, for John Taylor's family	800
To Martha Pickett	800
To Richard Gilman	800
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r .	600
To Mary Farthing, for the Maintainance of her Child	300
To Benj ⁿ . Haselwood for keeping his Father one Month	83
To M ^r . Richmond Terrel, for keeping Howard Burdett one Month which he was not paid for	100
To M ^{rs} . Mary Baker, for one Tithe Overcharg'd in 1749	42½
To M ^{rs} . Daingerfield, for work at the Glebe & Lyme 12/ Levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ ⌘ 100	80

To William Fisher, for keeping Howard Burdett One Month & a halfe	105
To D°. his Acco ^t for burying D°. 7/10½ levied in Tob°. at 15/ Ⓕ 100	52
To M ^r . William Hogg his Acco ^t . £9 9 8 Levied in Tob°. at 15/ Ⓕ 100	1263
To M ^r . Isaac Goddin his Acco ^t , 7 1 1½ Levi'd in Tob°. at 15/ Ⓕ 100	940
To M ^r . Lewis Delony his Acco ^t £19 2 5 Levied in Tob°. at 15/ Ⓕ 100. to be in the hands of Cap ^t . W ^m . Hockaday. Cap ^t . John Richardson, & M ^r . Gill Armistead till M ^r . Delony renders a Satisfactory Acco ^t . to them ag st . the Parish	2549
To M ^{rs} . Hanah Crittenden, her Acco ^t . for W ^m . Jeffers £2 8 levied in Tob°. at 15/ Ⓕ 100	320
To M ^r . William Armistead, the Bal ^a . of his Acco ^t .	270½
	<hr/> 36016
D°. C ^r . By Dudley Williams, for Rent of the Glebe 35/ levied in Tob°. at 15/ Ⓕ 100	233
	<hr/> 35783
D°. D ^r . To 6 Ⓕ Cent for Collecting 35783 ^{lb} Tob°.	2146
	<hr/> 37929
Deposited in the Collector's hands, to be by him Paid to the Parish at laying the next levy	431
	<hr/> 38360

M^r. William Armistead, is appointed Collector the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond & Security as usual.

M^r John Shermer is appointed Church Warden (with M^r.

W^m. Hogg) In the Stead of M^r. Isaac Goddin, & was accordingly Sworn

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r
 William Hogg }
 John Shermer } Church Wardens

Test: Dudley Williams Clark o' the Vestry

'Tis

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'Tis Order'd by this Present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this present Year be Forty Pounds of Tob^o. p. poll And that M^r. W^m. Armistead Deputy Sheriff in New Kent County do Collect the S^d. Sum of Forty pounds of Tob^o. from ev'ry Individual Titheable Person within this Parish, and on refusal of payment to levy the Same by distrefs According to Law. The S^d. W^m. Armistead first Ent'ring into Bond with good & Sufficient Security to the present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish for the payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob^o. to the Sev'ral respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors Notes by the last day of May next. And it is also Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and Order of Vestry to the Said Collector.

Test Dudley Williams Clark o' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church October the 3^d. 1752.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker	M ^r . Leonard Henley
M ^r . John Shermer } Church	M ^r . Richmond Terrell
M ^r . William Hogg } Wardens	M ^r . Richard Allen
Cap ^t . William Hockaday	M ^r . Isaac Goddin &
Cap ^t . John Richardson	M ^r . Gill Armistead

This Vestry Proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker his Sallary 16000 ^{lb} & 4 Ɔ	^{lb} Tob ^o .
C ^t . on d ^o . 640 & 4 Ɔ C ^t . on d ^o . for Shrinkage 640	17280
To M ^r . John Burnett Clark of the upper Church 1000 & Cask on d ^o . 40	1040
To Dudley Williams Clark of the lower Church & Vestry 1500 & Cask on d ^o . 60	1560
To John Gaddey Sexton of the upper Church 500 & Cask on d ^o . 20. & Washing the Surplice 100	620
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church 500 & Cask on d ^o . 20 & Washing the Surplice 100	620
To the Maint ^r . of Lucy Gills	750
To Ann Linsey	600
To Thomas Linsey	400
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday for finding Ann Linsey last Year	600
To M ^r . John Shermer for finding Elenor Pitman last Year	600
To Ditto for Ditto this Year	600
To M ^r . Ben: Waller for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Maj ^r . John Dandridge for two Copies of the list of Tithes last year & two d ^o . this year	72
To M ^r . John Shermer for four Commun ^s .	400
To D ^o . his Acco ^t . for his Orders Ɔ Keziah Charlton £10 levied in Tob ^o . at 13/ Ɔ 100	1538
To D ^o . paid Doctor Ken. Mackenzie's Acco ^t . for John Swiney £1 12 6} ^{s. d.}	
To D ^o . paid D ^o . his Acco ^t . for } 3 2 6 in Tob ^o at 13/	480
<u>Suf^a. Thomas</u> 1 10	
To Stephen Jones for keeping Ruth Brooks one Month	60
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday for John Taylor's family	800
To Martha Piggett	800
To Richard Gilman in the Churchwarden's hands	800
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r .	600

To M ^r . William Hogg's Acco ^t . £3 8 ^s . — ^d . ¾ levied in Tob°. at 13/ ☉ 100	523
To Cap ^t . William Hockaday's Acco ^{ts} . deliver'd to the Vestry £6 — ^s . 11¼ ^d . Tob°. at 13/	930
To M ^r . John Burnett's Acco ^t . £3 17 in Tob°. at 13/	592
To Doctor William Harwood's three Acco ^{ts} . deliver'd to the Vestry £3 16 ^s . 9 ^d . Tob°. at 13/	590
To Tho°. Ratcliff's Acco ^t . for Corn for Ann Brown £— 10 ^s . — ^d . in Tob°. at 13/	76
To Tho°. Oakley for his trouble & Charge with Ruth Brooks dec'd £1 17 — Tob°. at 13/	284
To M ^r . William Armistead for delinquents	140
To John Gaddey for keeping James Brown Son of James Brown dec'd last year	500
To the Support of John Gilman in the Church Warden's hands	400
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker for building a Dairy, & lathing the Quarter on the Glebe	500
	34773

Blisland Parish C^r

By M ^r . William Armistead deposited in his hands last year 431 } ^{1b}	1031
By D° for Tob° levied for Elenor Pitman last year 600 }	1031
D°. D°.	33742
To 6. ☉. Cent for Collecting 33742 ^{1b} Tob°.	2024
	35766
Deposited in the Collector's hands, to be by him paid to the Parish at laying next Levy	159
D°. C ^r . By 958 Tithes at 37½ ☉. Poll	35925

M^r. Gill Armistead, M^r William Armistead, & Dudley Williams, are appointed to meet & proportion the Parish Levy on or before the last day of October.

John Sheriff on his Pettition is discharg'd from paying his Parish Levy.

The Church Wardens are appointed to Send for a Sett of Plate for the Parish, & to Receive Cap^t. William Kenney's Legacy in Part of Payment for the Same.

M^r.

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M^r. Gill Armistead is Chofen Church Warden (in the Stead of M^r. William Hogg) With M^r. John Shermer & this day Sworn Accordingly.

M^r. William Armistead is appointed Collector the Enfuing Year on giving Bond & Security as Ufual.

Sign'd By C. Thacker. Min^r.
 John Shermer }
 G^r. Armistead } Church Wardens

Test.

Dudley Williams. Clerk o' the Vestry.

Pursuant to an Order o' Vestry of Blisland Parish, We the Subscriber have met and Proportioned the Parish Levie for the Enfuing year & find it to be Thirty Seven and a half Pounds of Tobacco ☿ Poll. January 6th 1753/

William Armistead
 G^r. Armistead
 Dudley Williams

'Tis Order'd by this Present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this present Year be Thirty Seven & one half Pounds of Tobacco ☿. Poll. and that M^r. William Armistead D. Sheriff in New Kent County do Collect the S^d. Sum of Thirty Seven &

one half Pounds of Tob°. from ev'ry Individual Titheable Person within this Parish, And on refusal of Payment to Levy the Same by distrefs According to Law. The S^d. William Armistead first Entr'ing into Bond with good & Sufficient Security to the Present Vestry of this Parish for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob°. to the Sev'ral respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors notes by the last day of May next. And it is also Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and Order of Vestry to the Said Collector.

Test Dudley Williams Clark o' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church October the 9th. 1753.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker	Maj ^r . John Power
M ^r . John Shermer } Church	Maj ^r . John Richardson
M ^r . Gill Armistead } Wardens	Cap ^t . Thruston James &
Maj ^r . William Hockaday	M ^r . William Hogg

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish D^r.

To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker's Sallary 16000 ^{lb} Tob. & 4 p.	16000 ^{lb} Tob°.
C ^t . for Cask 640 ^{lb} & 4 Ⓕ C ^t . for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb} .	17280
To M ^r . John Burnett Clark of the upper Church 1000.	
& 4 Ⓕ. C ^t . for Cask 40	1040
To Dudley Williams Clark of the lower Church & Vestry 1500. & 4 Ⓕ C ^t . for Cask 60	1560
To John Gaddey dec'd Sexton of the upper Church 500	
& Cask 20. & for washing the Surplice 100	620
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church 500 & Cask 20. & for washing the Surplice 100	620

To John Ball, for the Maintainance of Lucy Gills	600
To Ann Linsey	600
To Thomas Linsey	400
To Thomas Jones for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	600
To Elenor Pitman	600
To M ^r . Ben: Waller for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Coll ^o . John Dandridge for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To M ^r . John Shermer for four Communiones	400
To M ^{rs} . Ann Pennington for paying Keziah Charlton, the Ch. Warden's order for 1500 ^{lb} Tob ^o . For Elizabeth Barker	1500
To M ^{rs} . Ann Pennington for paying the Ch. Wardens order to Mary Row for 20/ in Tob ^o . @ 13/	153
To Maj ^r . William Hockaday for John Taylor's family	800
To Martha Piggett	800
To Maj ^r . William Hockaday for Richard Gilman	800
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r	600
To John Yates his Acco ^t . for keeping & burying John Gilman 1 [£] 11 ^s . 6 ^d . in Tob ^o . @ 13/	242.
To Eliz ^a . Feer for her trouble with Mary Richardson in her Sicknefs £2 10 ^s .: in Tob @ 13/	384
To Rebecca White for keeping George Smith's Child Six months	500
Present M ^r . Leonard Henley. To M ^r . Gill Armistead's Acco ^t 3 [£] 5 ^s . 9½ ^d . in Tob ^o . at 13/	505½
To Maj ^r . William Hockaday for digging a grave & finding a Coffin for Mary Richardson	100
To Burnal Rufsell for keeping John Swiney Eleven Months in 1752	400
To M ^r . John Shermer, for paying Thomas Albriton } 15/ for Carrying Diana Sutton To Hanover, in } Tob ^o . at 13/ }	115
To Honor Grace for her trouble with John Gaddey dec'd 7/6 in Tob ^o . at 13/	58

To Maj ^r . William Hockaday, for 6 ^{lb} Sugar & ½ Bushel of Wheat for W ^m . Garland 5/9 in Tob @ 13/	44
To Maj ^r . John Richardson, for paying John Sheriff's Levy in 1752. From which he was discharg'd by the Vestry in 1752	37½

Carried over to the other Side 31413

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	Blisland Parish D ^r .	lb Tob ^o .
To Debt brought over from the other Side		31413
To Doctor William Harwood's Acco ^t . for attendance on John Gaddey's family and finding them means £3 4 6 in Tob ^o . @ 13/ 100		496
To William Pitblado for keeping Lucy, the Daughter of Joseph Haselwood dec'd		400
To Richard Linsey for keeping Richard, the Son of Joseph Haselwood dec'd		250
To Sarah Gaddey for keeping James Brown, Son of James Brown dec'd		500
To Francis Day		600
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker for a glaſs to mend the Glebe Windows 5/ Tob ^o . @ 13		38
To the Support of Reb ^a . Wall		300
To M ^r . William Armistead the Bal ^a . of his Acco ^t .		37½
To James Charles for Richard Creed Curle in 1752		100
To the Church Wardens for work done at the Glebe by M ^r . Daingerfield's Workmen £4 15 ^s . 3 ^d . levied in Tob ^o @ 13/		732
To the Church Wardens, to pay M ^r . William Brown for Repairing the Church		5600
To M ^r . William Hogg for 350 feet of 1½ Inch plank for a threshing floor for the Glebe And for Carting the Same £1 15 6 in Tob ^o . @ 13/		273
Towards an Addition to the upper Church		10000

To Mary Farthing for the Support of her Child	400
To Grifsell Sanders for keeping John Gilman two Months	150
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	51289½
Blisland Parish C ^r . By M ^r William Hogg 5 ^s . 8½ ^d . in Tob ^o . @ 13/	44
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	51245½
D ^o . D ^r . To 6 Ⓕ. Cent. for Collecting 51245½ ^{lb} Tob ^o .	3074
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	54319½
Deposited in the Collector's hands	457½
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D ^o . C ^r . By 961 Tithes at 57 ^{lb} Tob ^o . Ⓕ. Poll	54777

Order'd that the 2549^{lb} Tob^o. which was Levied for M^r. Lewis Delony be Sold by the Church Wardens (with the 10000^{lb} Tob^o. which was levied for an Addition to the upper Church) Purfuant to an Order of Vestry dated April 18th. 1746

Maj^r. John Richardson is appointed Church Warden, (with M^r. Gill Armistead) in the Stead of M^r. John Shermer and was Sworn accordingly

Edward Newman is Appointed Sexton at the upper Church, in the Stead of John Gaddey deceas'd

M^r. William Armistead is appointed Collector the Enjuing year, on giving Bond & Security as Ufual.

Memorandum. that the Bal^o. due to the Parish last year, was not accounted for this year.

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r.
John Richardson Ch. Warden
G^r. Armistead Ch. Warden

Test. Dudleyy Williams Clark o' the Vestry

'Tis

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'Tis order'd by this Present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this present year be Fifty Seven pounds of Tob. ̄9. Poll, and that W^m. Armistead D. Sheriff of New Kent County do Collect the S^d. Sum of Fifty Seven pounds of Tob. from ev'ry Individual Titheable Person in this Parish, and on refusal of Payment to Levy the Same by distreffe's according to Law. The S^d. W^m. Armistead first ent'ring into Bond with good & Sufficient Security to the present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob. to the Sev'ral respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due by Inspectors notes by the last day of May next. And it is also Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and order of Vestry to the S^d. Collector.

Test. Dudley Williams. Clark o' the Vestry

At a Vestry held Blisland Parish at the upper Church June the 22^d. 1754.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker		Maj ^r . John Power
Maj ^r . John Richardson	} Ch. wardens	M ^r . Richmond Terrel
Cap ^t . Gill Armistead		M ^r . Richard Allen. and
Maj ^r . William Hockaday		M ^r . William Hogg

Order'd that the Church Wardens of this Parish do Sell the Glebe Land in James City County, Pursuant to an Act of Assembly made in 1753. And that they give twelve months credit from the day of Sale for the Payment of the money. The purchaser giving Bond and Security for the payment of the money to the Church Wardens & their Successors.

Order'd, that the Church Wardens do Sell the 5600^{lb}. Tob°. which was Levied in the Church Wardens hands for M^r. William Brown, for Repairing the Lower Church.

Sign'd by C. Thacker Min^r.

John Richardson }
Gill Armistead } Church Wardens.

Test. Dudley Williams. Clark o' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church October 17th. 1754.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Thacker.

Maj^r. John Richardson }
Cap^t. Gill Armistead } Church Wardens

Maj^r. William Hockaday. M^r. Richard Allen,
Maj^r. John Power. M^r. John Shermer,
M^r. Leonard Henley, Cap^t. Thruston James, And,
M^r. William Hogg

This Vestry Proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish D^r.

1b Tob°.

To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker's Sallary 16000 ^{lb} Tob°. & 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Cask 640 ^{lb} . & 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb}	17280
To John Burnett Clark of the upper Church 1000 ^{lb} , & 4 ⌘ Cent for Cask 40 ^{lb}	1040
To Dudley Williams Clark of the Lower Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} , & 4 ⌘. C ^t . for Cask 60 ^{lb}	1560
To Edward Newman Sexton at the upper Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20. For washing Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Edward Lively Sexton at the Lower Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20. For washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620

To the Support of Lucy Gills	600
To the Support of Ann Linsey	600
To the Support of Thomas Linsey	300
To Thomas Jones, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	700
To Elenor Pitman	600
To M ^r . Ben: Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Col. John Dandridge for two Copies of d ^o .	36
To the Support of Martha Piggett	600
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r .	600
To Francis Day	600
To Richard Linsey, for keeping Richard Haselwood Son of Joseph Haselwood dec'd	600
To Maj ^r . John Richardson, for four Communion ^s for the Lower Church	500
To Cap ^t . Gill Armistead for four Commun ^s . for the upper Church last year & four this year	1000
To David Dormer, For keeping Eliz ^a . Barker	1560
To Maj ^r . William Hockaday, For John Taylor's fam- ily	800
To d ^o . for Richard Gilman	800
To Reb ^a . White, For keeping George Smith's Child	800
To Sarah Gaddey, For keeping James Brown, Son of James Brown dec'd	500
To Mary Farthing, For the Support of her Child	400
To the Support of Ijsabella Gray	200
To the Church Wardens, for Isaac Tyree	700
To M ^r . John Shermer, To Satisfy David Johnson, for Curing Diana Sutton of a Cancer 10 ^s 15 ^s Tob ^o . at 10 ^s .	2150
To the Bal ^a . of Cap ^t . William Macon's Acco ^t . for Plank for the Glebe 7/ in Tob ^o . at 10/	70
To Doctor William Harwood's Acco ^t £ 1 9 ^s . 3 ^d . Levied in Tob ^o . at 10/ ̄ 100	295
To John Jones Patroler, for his Levy Paid last year	57

To Charles Hankin d°. for d°. 57 ^{1b} . To Rich ^a . Gaddey d°. for d°. 57 ^{1b}	114
To Richard Martin d°. for d°. 57 ^{1b} . To Landey Lin- sey d°. for d°. 57 ^{1b}	114
Towards an Addition to the upper Church	10000
	<hr/> 46434
D°. C°. By M°. Will ^m . Armistead for Depositum in his hands last year	457
	<hr/> 45977
D°. D°. To 6 Ⓕ. Cent for Collecting 45977 ^{1b} Tobo.	2758
	<hr/> 48735
Deposited in the Collector's hands	72
	<hr/> 48807
D°. C°. By 986 Tithes at 49½ ^{1b} Ⓕ. Poll is	48807
	M°

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M°. Richard Allen is Chosen Church Warden in the Stead of Cap°. Gill Armistead, and was Accordingly Sworn.

On the Motion of Edward Lively to be discharg'd from his Parish Levy, he is accordingly discharg'd.

Order'd that the 93½^{1b} Tob°. in the hands of the Sheriff of James City County taken by Execution of the Estate of Sus^a. Thomas, be return'd to the Said Sus^a. Thomas.

Order'd that Mary Sheriff be discharg'd from Paying her Parish Levy.

Order'd that M°. William Armistead give M°. Richard Allen C°. Out of the Depositum in his hands for two Tithes (viz') Aca and Oda, On Account of their blindness

M°. William Armistead is appointed Collector the Ensu-
ing year, On giving Bond & Security as Ufual

Order'd that M^r William Armistead give Edward Live-ly C^r. for his Levy this present Levy.

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r.

John Richardson }
Richard Allen } Church Wardens.

Test. Dudley Williams Clark of the Vestry.

'Tis Order'd by this Present Vestry, that the Parish Levy for this Present Year, be Forty Nine and a half Pounds of Tob^o. ꝥ. Poll, and that M^r William Armistead D. Sher. in New Kent County do Collect and receive the Said Sum of Forty nine & a half Pounds of Tob^o. from Every Individual Titheable Person within this Parish. And on refusal of Payment to Levy the Same by distrefs according to Law. The Said William Armistead first Entiring into Bond, With good & Sufficient Security to the Present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the Said Sums of Tob^o. to the Several Respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors Notes by the last day of May next. And it is also Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge And Order of Vestry to the Said Collector.

Test.

Dudley Williams Clark o' th' Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church the Second day of Sep^r. 1755.

Present, The Rev. M^r. Thacker, Maj^r. John Richardson, & M^r. Richard Allen Ch. Wardens. Maj^r. William Hockaday, M^r. Richmond Terrel, Cap^t. Gill Armistead, M^r. William Hogg, and M^r. Isaac Goddin.

Order'd that Maj^r. John Richardson & M^r. Richard Allen, Gent. Church Wardens, Immediately Agree with Workmen to Undertake the Addition to the upper Church Pursuant to an Order of Vestry, dated July 29th. 1755.

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r.

John Richardson }
Rich^d Allen } Church Wardens.

Test. Dudley Williams Clark O' the Vestry

Articles of Agreement.

A Brick Addition to the upper Church in Blisland Parish, to be made twenty four feet in Length added to the Old Building, of the Same width as the Old, to have four Pews of Each Side. Two Sash Windows in Each Side: and two in the End: Each Window to have Eighteen Panes of glafs ten by twelve. The Pulpit to be moved to the North Side of the Church, and to be fixed According to the Rev. M^r. Thacker's direction. The Floors and Pews above the Pulpit to be taken up, and Set down, in good Order with those below: The Windows Old and New, with the Doors & Eaves of the Said Church to be well Prim'd & Painted white with white lead, Inside & Out. THE COMMUNION to be Moved, and decently fitted with New Rails and Banisters. The Addition to be a Compafs Ceiling, Cover'd with Plank and good Cyprefs Shingles, to be lath'd and Plaster'd, and the whole Church Whitewash'd. The Wall of the Yard to be lengthen'd and Carried Eight feet Clear of the S^d Addition. Two new gates made of good Season'd White Oak. The Whole to be Completed (Workmen like) by October 1756. The Present Church Wardens to Inspect all the Bricks and Timber to be used about the Said Building: The Foundation to be laid as low as the Graves (where they Interfere) of the Church Yard.

The above I agree to do (or Cause to be done) by October in the Year 1756. for the Sum of One Hundred and

Twenty Nine Pounds. IN PURSUANCE of which I have
 Paſsed a Bond dated Sep^r. the 2^d. 1755. And rec'd of Maj^r.
 John Richardson & M^r. Richard Allen Bond for the Sum
 abovemention'd. Witnefs our hands

Sep^r. the 2^d. 1755

Sam ^l . Du Val
Christo ^r . Ford Ju ^r .

Test.

Dud. Williams.	John Rich ^d son	} Ch. ward ^s .
Sam ^l . Ashley	Rich ^d . Allen	

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the Lower
 Church Octo^r. 15. 1755.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Thacker,

Maj ^r . John Richardson, & M ^r . Richard Allen	} Ch. Wardens
Maj ^r . William Hockaday,	
M ^r . Leonard Henley	M ^r . John Shermer,
Cap ^t . Thruston James,	And
	M ^r . Isaac Goddin

This Vestry Proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish

D^r.

lb Tob^s.

To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker's Sallary 16000 ^{lb}		
Tob ^s . & 4		
⌘ C ^t . for Cask 640 ^{lb} . & 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Shrinkage		
640 ^{lb}	17280	
To M ^r . John Burnett Clark of the upper Church 1000 ^{lb}		
& 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Cask 40	1040	
To Dudley Williams Clark of the Lower Church &		
Vestry 1500 ^{lb} & 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Cask 60	1560	

To Edw ^d . Lively Sexton of the Lower Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Edw ^d . Newman Sexton of the upper Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To the Maint ^o . of Lucy Gills 600.—To the Maint ^o . of Ann Linsey 600	1200
To the Maint ^o . of Tho ^o . Linsey	300
To M ^r . Benj ^a . Tyree, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams three Months	175
To M ^r . Jeremiah Woodward, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams nine Months	525
To Elenor Pitman	600
To M ^r . Ben: Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Coll. John Dandridge, for two Copies of d ^o .	36
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r . 500.— To Fra ^s . Day 500	1000
To Richard Linsey, for keeping Richard Haselwood, Son of Joseph Haselwood dec'd	700
To M ^r . Richard Allen, for four Commun ^o . for the upper Church	400
To Maj ^r . John Richardson, for four d ^o . for the lower d ^o .	400
To M ^{rs} Ann Pennington her Acco ^t £5 0 ^s . 11½ ^d . to be paid by the Church Wardens	
To William Fisher's Acco ^t . for burying Eliz ^a . Barker 7 ^s . 6 ^d . To be paid by d ^o .	
To Edw ^d . James, for making a Coffin for John Eacho 5/. To be paid by d ^o .	
To M ^r . Jos. Watkins, for 2 Quarts of Rum, for John Eacho's funeral 2 ^s . 6 ^d . to be paid by d ^o .	
To Maj ^r . John Richardson, for a Barrel of Corn, for Widow Eacho. 10/. To be paid by d ^o .	
To Sarah Pitblado, for keeping Richard Gilman	400
To Maj ^r . William Hockaday, for John Taylor's family	666
To Reb ^a . White, for keeping George Smith's Child	666

To Sarah Gaddey, for keeping James Brown, Son of Jam ^s . Brown dec'd	416
To Mary Farthing, for her Child	333
To Ifsabella Gray	166
To M ^r . Isaac Goddin, ¶ Ch. Ward ^s . Order, for Simon Frazier being Sick at his house 15 days £3 Levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ ¶ 100	400
To Jam ^s . Jones, for taking care of Mary Samson in her late Sicknefs	100
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	29621
To 6 ¶ . Cent for Collecting 29621 ^{lb} Tobo	1777
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	31398
Deposited in the Collector's hands	284
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D ^o . C ^r . By 1022 Tithes at 31 ^{lb} . ¶ Poll	31682

order'd

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Order'd that the Church Wardens Repair to the Glebe, and See what Repairs are wanting thereon, and agree with workmen, to build and make Such Repairs as they Shall think necefsary: And for the Church Wardens to bring their Acco^t. for the Same, at the laying the next Parish Levy.

Order'd that the Church Wardens Enquire, whether Ann Leavor have any right to freedom dues; and if She has, that they pay her the Same, Purfuant to an agreement this Vestry made with M^r. Roger Williams April 24, 1725. And bring their Acco^t. to the laying the next Parish Levy.

Maj^r. John Power is Chosen Church Warden, in the Stead of Maj^r. John Richardson (with M^r. Richard Allen) and Order'd that he be Sworn Accordingly.

M^r. William Armistead is Appointed Collector, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Sign'd by C. Thacker Min^r.

Rich^d Allen Church Warden

Test. Dudley Williams Clark O' the Vestry.

'Tis Order'd By this present Vestry, that the Parish Levy for this present year, be Thirty one pounds of Tob^o. $\text{3}\text{p}$ Poll, and that M^r. William Armistead D. She. in New Kent County, do Collect the S^d. Thirty one Pounds of Tob^o. from every Individual Titheable person in this Parish, And on refusal of payment to Levy the Same by distrefs according to Law. The S^d. William Armistead first Entring into Bond with good and Sufficent Security to the present Vestry of this Parish, for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob^o. to the Sev'ral respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due, by Inspectors notes by the last day of may next. And it is also Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge and Order of Vestry to the Said Collector

Test

Dudley Williams Clark o' th' Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the Upper Church October the 12th. 1756.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Thacker

Maj^r. John Power

M^r. Richard Allen } Ch. Wardens

Maj^r. William Hockaday

Maj^r. John Richardson

M^r. Richmond Terrel

M^r. William Hogg

Cap^t. Thruston James

Cap^t. Gill Armistead

M^r. John Shermer

This Vestry Proceeds to Lay the Parish Levy		
Blisland Parish		D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker, his Salary 16000 ^{lb} . & 4 p	C ^t . for Cask, & 4 p C ^t . for Shrinkage	17280
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the Upper Church	1500 ^{lb} , & 4 p C ^t . for Cask	60 1560
To M ^r . John Burn ^s Estate for Serving as Cl ^r . from	Oc ^r . 15, 1755. till June 25. 1756	693
To M ^r . William Slater, for Officiating as Cl ^r . low ^r .	Ch. from June 25. 1755. till Oc ^r . 12. 1756.	347
To Edward Newman Sexton at the upper Ch. 500.	& 4 p C ^t . 20. for washing the Surpl ^s . 100	620
To Edward Lively d ^o . at the lower d ^o . 500 & d ^o .	20 for d ^o . 100	620
To Daniel Steward, for keeping Lucy Gills 11	Months	600
To John Ball for keeping	d ^o . 1 d ^o .	50
To the Maintainance of Tho ^s . Linsey		300
To Benj ^s . Tyree, for keeping Eliz ^s . Williams		700
To Elenor Pitman		600
To M ^r . Ben: Waller, for the List of Tithes		18
To M ^r . William Clayton, for two Copies of d ^o .		36
To Nicholas Valentine, for a Levy Overcharg'd in	1754	49½
Present, M ^r . Isaac Goddin.— To Nicho ^s . Valentine		600
To Richard Linsey, For keeping Richard Haselw ^d .	Orphan of Jos. Haselw ^d . dec'd	700
To M ^r . Richard Allen, Ch. W'rd'n For four Com-	mun ^s . for the Upper Church	400
To Maj ^r . John Power	d ^o . For d ^o . d ^o . for the Lower d ^o .	400
To John Jeffers, for keeping Richard Gilm. 5	Months at 900 ^{lb} . p Ann.	375
To D ^o . for his trouble with	d ^o in his Sicknefs	100
To Reb ^s . White, for keeping Geo. Smith's Child		666

To Tho ^s . Smith, for Jam ^s . Brown, Son of Jam ^s . Brown dec'd. He is to keep him Three Years at the rate of 300 ^b ,. ₤ Annum: And then to keep him for the future, Clear from being any Charge to the Parish	300
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Child	333
To Ijsabella Gray	166
To William Wood, for keeping Sarah Taylor 3 Months	200
To Prudence Fisher, For her trouble with Reb ^s . Williams	200
To James Jones for his trouble with Mary Samson } from Oc ^r . 15. 1755 till Feb ^r . 17. 1756. at £8. ₤ Annum £2 13 4 Levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ ₤ 100	355
To James Jones, for his trouble and Charge in, burying Mary Samson	100
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D ^r . Car ^d . Over	28368½
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Blisland Parish D^r

	1b. Tob ^o .
To Debt bro ^t . over, from the Other Side	28368½
To Maj ^r . William Hockaday, his Acco ^t . £2 — 11. Levied in Tob ^o . at 15/	272½
To Fra ^s . Day	500
To Doct ^r . William Harwood his Acc ^t . for Sundry } persons £13 18. Levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ ₤ 100	1853
To Mary Charlton, For the Support of her Son William	500
To Maj ^r . John Power his Acc ^t . 15/ Levied in Tob ^o . at 15/ ₤ 100	100
To the Ch. Wardens, For William Bennett, for re- pairs done at the Glebe	4000

To D°. To pay M ^r . Sam ^l Duval his Bal ^a . for an Addition to the Upper Church	} 4000
	<hr/> 39594
To 6 d . Cent. for Collecting 39594 ^{lb} Tobo.	2375
	<hr/> 41969
Deposited in the Collector's hands	59
	<hr/> 42028

Blisland Parish C^r.

By 1064 Tithes at 39½ d . Poll	42028
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Order'd that M^r. William Armistead, pay Cap^t. Gill Armistead 284^{lb} Tob°. Which was deposited in his hands at the laying the last Parish Levy.

Cap^t. Gill Armistead She^r. is Appointed Collector the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond and Security at Ufual

Order'd that the Church Wardens demand and Receive Cap^t. William Kenney's Legacy to this Parish, for a Piece of Plate.

Maj^r. John Power, and M^r. Richard Allen, are Continued Church Wardens the Ensuing Year

Mem°. That Cap^t. Gill Armistead lodg'd his Acco^t, with the Clark o' th' Vestry.

Order'd that the Collector Pay the 284^{lb} Tob°. which was deposited in the Collector's hands last year, and the 59^{lb}. Tob°. deposited in his his hands this year, to Dunkerton Henry

Sign'd by C. Thacker Min^r.

John Power }
Rich^d. Allen } Ch. wardens

Test.

Dudley Williams. Clark O' th' Vestry

'Tis

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'Tis Order'd by this present Vestry that the Parish Levy for this present Year, be Thirty Nine & one half Pounds of Tob°. P. poll: And that Cap°. Gill Armistead Sheriff of New Kent County do Collect the Said Thirty Nine and a half Pounds of Tob°. from Every Individual Titheable Person in this Parish; And on refusal of Payment, to Levy the Same by distrefs according to Law. The S^d. Gill Armistead first Enttring into Bond, with good and Sufficient Security, to the present Vestry of this Parish for the use of the Parish, for the Payment of the S^d. Sums of Tob°. to the Several Respective Parish Creditors to whom it is due by the last day of May next. And it is also Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry take Bond as aforesaid, before he deliver a Copy of the Parish Charge, & Order of Vestry, to the S^d. Collector.

Test.

Dudley Williams. Clark o' th' Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church October the 6th. 1757.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Thacker

Maj ^r . John Power, &	} Churchwardens
M ^r . Richard Allen	

M ^r . Richmond Terrel,	M ^r . John Shermer, &
Cap ^t . Thruston James	Col Burwell Bafsett; who was
Cap ^t . Gill Armistead	this day Chofe, and Sworn
M ^r . William Hogg,	

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

	Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker, his Salary	16000 ^{lb} Tob°.	} 17280
To 4 ⌘ C' for Cask on 16000 ^{lb}	640	
To 4 ⌘ C' for Shrinkage on 16000 ^{lb}	640	

To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} . To 4 ¶ C ^t . on d ^o . 640	1560
To M ^r . William Slater, Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} . To 4 ¶ C ^t . on d ^o . 40	1040
To Edward Newman, Sexton at the upper Church 500, & Cask 20. for washing the Surp ^s . 100	620
To Edward Lively, Sexton at the lower Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20. for washing the Surplice 100	620
To John Yates, for keeping Lucy Gills	650
To Ann Linsey	450
To D ^o . Omitted last Year. To Maj ^r . William Hockaday's Estate	600
To the maintenance of Thomas Linsey	300
To Stephen Jones, for keeping Elenor Pitman	600
To Benjamin Tyree, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	700
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r .	600
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Child	300
To Francis Day	800
To Thomas Smith, for keeping James Brown, Son of James Brown dec'd	300
To M ^r . Ben: Waller for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To M ^r . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To Richard Linsey, for keeping Richard Haselwood, Orphan of Joseph Haselwood dec'd	700
To Maj ^r . John Power, for four Communion, for the lower Church	400
To M ^r . Richard Allen for four d ^o . for the upper Church	400
To Reb ^a . White, for keeping George Smith's Child	666
To M ^{rs} . Martha Gooch, for keeping Sarah Taylor	400
To Eliz ^a . Linsey, for keeping Ann Linsey	173
To Joel Willis, for keeping Joseph Willis Eight weeks	300

To M ^r . William Armistead, his Acc ^t . for Bricks for the Glebe 23/ in Tob°. @ 15/	153
To M ^{rs} . Hannah Daingerfield, her Acc ^t . her Acc ^t of £ 18 12 11 reduced to £ 15 14 10½. Levied in Tob°. @ 15/ ꝯ C ^t .	2098
To Cap ^t . Gill Armistead, to pay Sam ^l . Woodward, for Shingles for the Glebe	800
To Matthew Cole, for keeping two Children of John Eacho dec'd, from January the 21 st . last, till now, @ 1200 th & Cask ꝯ Ann	884
Carried forward —	33448

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Brought

Brought forward	33448
To Prudence Fisher, for keeping Lydda Paul from Nov ^r . 29 th . 1756 till now, And for Curing Re- bekah Williams's knee	800
To William Bennett, a Levy Overcharg'd last Year	39½
To Cap ^t . Gill Armistead, his Acc ^t . for Delinquents	815
To M ^r . John Shermer, For Carrying Diana Sutton to David Johnson's in Hanover 15/ Levied in Tob°. @ 15/ ꝯ C ^t .	100
To Edward Lively	400
To Cap ^t . Gill Armistead, the Bal ^a . of his Acc ^t . 28/ Levied in Tob°. @ 15/	186
To Isabella Gray	200
To Mary Charlton, for her Son William	500
To John Yates, for keeping Daniel Steward's Child	500
To Col. Burwel Bafsett, for work done at the Glebe, valued by M ^r . Sam ^l . Duval at £ 24 10. Levied in Tob°. @ 15 ꝯ C ^t .	3266
To the Collector, for the Bal ^a . due to William Bennett, for Repairs done at the Glebe	2200

To Ann Brown, for Freedom dues (in Compliance with an Agreement this Vestry made with M ^r . Roger Williams the 24 th . day of April 1725) £ 3 10 Levied in Tob°. @ 15/ Ⓕ C ^t . }	466
	42920½
To 6 Ⓕ. Cent for Collecting 42920 ^{lb} Tob°.	2575
	45495½
Deposited in the Collector's hands	405
	45900
Blisland Parish	C ^t .
By 1080 Tithes @ 42½ Ⓕ Poll	45900

Col. Burwel Bafsett was this day Chosen a Vestryman, in the room of Maj^r. William Hockaday dec'd, and Accordingly Sworn.

Col. Burwel Bafsett, and Cap^t. Thruston James, are Chosen Churchwardens, in the Stead of Maj^r. John Power, & M^r. Richard Allen; and Accordingly Sworn.

Cap^t. Gill Armistead Sher. is Appointed Collector the Enfuing Year, on giving Bond and Security as Usual.

Sign'd By C. Thacker Min^r

Burwell Bafsett }
Thruston James } Ch. wardens

Test.

Dudley Williams. Clark o' the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church October the 16th. 1758.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Thacker,Col. Burwell Bafsett & } ch. ward^s.
Maj^r. Thruston James }

M ^r . Leonard Henley,	Col. Gill Armistead,
Col. John Richardson,	M ^r . John Shermer,
Maj ^r . John Power,	M ^r . Richard Allen and
M ^r . Richmond Terrel,	M ^r . William Hogg.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

	Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker, his Salary	16000 ^{lb Tob^o} .	} 17280
To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask	640	
To 4 Ⓕ ^t . on d ^o . for Shrinkage	640	
To Dudley Williams Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} . To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . 60 ^{lb} .		1560
To William Slater Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} .		} 1040
To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 40		
To Edward Newman Sexton at the upper Church } 500. To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . 20 For washing the Surplice 100.		} 620
To Edward Lively Sexton at the lower Church } 500. To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . 20, for washing the Surplice 100.		
To Dunkerton Henry, for keeping Lucy Gills		650
To Ann Linsey		450
To Thomas Linsey		300
To James Glasebrook, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams		700
To Nicholas Valentine Sen ^r . Refer'd to the Church-wardens		—
To Francis Day		500
To Thomas Smith, for keeping James Brown, Orphan of James Brown, dec'd		300
To M ^r . Ben: Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes		18

To M ^r . William Clayton, for two Copies of the Lest of Tithes	36
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for Four Commun ^s . at the lower Church	400
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Edward	300
To Reb ^s . White, for keeping George Smith's Child	600
To Sarah Laffoon, for her trouble with Sarah Tay- lor in her Sicknefs & burying her	100
To Matthew Cole, for keeping two Children of John Eccho dec'd at 1200 & Cask f Ann	1248
To William Fisher, the Bal ^s . of his Acco ^t . for his } trouble with Lydday Paul, and burying her }	55
To Edward Lively, Exclusive of his Salary	350
To Isabella Gray, refer'd to the Ch. wardens	—
To John Yates, for keeping Dan ^l . Steward's Child	400
To D ^o . for keeping William Fletcher	1440

Debt Carried forward 28967

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Debt bro ^t . forward	28967
To M ^r . John Timberlake, his Acc ^t . for Setting up } Benches and horseblocks &c at the supper } Church £4 4 4. Levied in Tob ^o . @ 2 ^d .	508
To Elenor Banks, for keeping William Curle, Son } of Jeremiah Curle four Months, & finding him } Shoes and Stockings 25/ Levied in Tob ^o . } @ 2 ^d .	150
To Col. Burwel Bafsett, the Bal ^s . of his Acc ^t . 24/2 levied in Tob ^o . @ 2 ^d .	145
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, paid Doctor Carter his } acc ^t ag ^t . Prud ^s . Fisher 19/ Levied in Tob ^o . } @ 2 ^d	114

To Richard Creed Curle, for keeping Reb ^a . Curle, } daughter of Jeremiah Curle 25/ Levied in } Tob ^o . @ 2 ^d }	150
To George Crump Patroler, Overcharg'd a Levy last year	42½
To Adam Byrd d°. d°. d°.	42½
To Ben. Ratcliffe d°. d°. d°.	42½
To William Vadin, for one Levy Overpaid last Year	42½
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for a Bar ^l . of Corn for Sarah Fox 8/ in Tob ^o . @ 2 ^d	48
To Col. Gill Armistead, the Bal ^o . of his Acco ^t .	568½
To James Jones, for keeping David Dormer three months	100
To John Ashwel, for keeping two of James } Goodin's Children Eight Months £5. Levied } in Tob ^o . @ 2 ^d }	600
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	31520
To 6 ⌘ C ^t . for Collecting 31520 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	1891
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	33411
Deposited in the Collector's hands	189
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	33600
Blisland Parish C ^r	
By 1050 Tithes at 32 ⌘ Poll	33600

Cap^t. William Armistead is Chosen a Vestryman in the Stead of M^r. John Rufsel dec'd.

Jemima Curle is appointed Sexton of the upper Church, in the room of Edward Newman.

M^r. Richmond Allen D. She. is appointed Collector for the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond & Security as usual.

Col. Burwel Bafsett, & Maj^r. Thruston James, are Continued Churchwardens for the Ensuing year.

Order'd that the Collector pay Stephen Jones 100^{lb} Tob°. for keeping Elenor Pitman Out of the depositum in his hands.

Sign'd by Chicheley Thacker Min^r.
 Burwell Bafsett
 Thruston James Ch. Wardens

Test.

Dudley Williams, Clark o' the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 9th. day of Octo^r. 1759.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Thacker
 Col. Burwel Bafsett, & } Ch. Ward^s.
 Maj^r. Thruston James }
 Col. John Richardson M^r. Richard Allen, &
 M^r. Leonard Henley Col. Gill Armistead.
 Maj^r. John Power

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy
 Blisland Parish D^r.

	1b Tob°.
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker's Salary 16000 ^{lb} Tob°. To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d°. for Cask 640 ^{lb} . To 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb}	17280
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} . To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d°. for Cask 60	1560
To William Slater, Clark of the lower Church 1000. To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d°. for Cask 40	1040
To Jemima Curle, Sextonefs at the upper Ch. 500 & Cask 20. & for washing the Surplice 100	620
To Edward Lively, Sexton at the lower Ch. 500 & Cask 20. & for washing the Surplice 100	620

To Ann Linsey	600
To Thomas Linsey	300
To John Richardson, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	700
To Nicholas Valentine Sen.	600
To Francis Day	500
To M ^r . Ben: Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To M ^r . William Clayton, for two Cop ^a . d ^o .	36
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for four Commun ^a . for the lower Church	400
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Ed- ward	300
To Reb ^a . White, for keeping George Smith's Child	600
To John Linsey, for keeping Ijsabella Gray	150
To Elenor Banks, for keeping William, the Son of Jeremiah Curle	500
To Richard Creed Curle, for keeping Reb ^a . a daugh- ter of Jerem. Curle, from Octo ^r . till March	250
To John Yates, for keeping Lucy Gills two months at the rate of 650 C^{s} Ann	108
To D ^o . for keeping John, Son of Dan ^l . Steward last year	400
To Richard Grout, for keeping William Bruce, from last March till this time	200
	<hr/> 26782
To 6 C^{s} for Collecting 26782 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	1606
	<hr/> 28388
Deposited in the Collector's hands	311½
	<hr/> 28699½
Blisland Parish C ^r . By 1083 Tithes at 26½ C^{s} poll	28699½

1759 Octo ^r . 9 th .	
Blisland Parish	D ^r .
For Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} .	
Viz ^t . To Henry Dormer, his Acc ^t . for burying John Bates, finding &c.	£ 1 8 6
To Maj ^r Thruston James for 7 Bar ^s . Corn @ 10/ £3 10	3 10 —
To D ^o . for paid Jam ^s . Hockad. for Sund ^r . for W ^m Garland 11/10	— 11 10
To D ^o . his Acc ^t . for Hafssocks for the lower Church	— 9 8½
Carried forward to the Other Side	£ 6 — —½
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Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the amount of Cash Acco ^{ts} bro ^t . for- ward from the Other Side	£ 6 — —½
To Martha Pigget, for keeping Mary Rowe 5 Months @ 5/ ̄ month	1 5 —
To Kirby Washer, for keeping two of John Eacho's Children	3 — —
To Col. Gill Armistead, his Acco ^t	2 3 4½
To M ^r . Thomas Cowles, his Acco ^t . for blocks & benches at the lower Church	3 5 —
To Maj ^r . John Power, for paid Doct ^r . Har- vey his Acco ^t . 11/6	— 11 6
To Col John Richardson for a Bar ^l . Corn, for Widow Eacho @ 10/	— 10 —
To William Fisher, for keeping John, Or- phan of John Eacho dec'd two months	12 6
	£ 17 7 5

The above Acco^{ts} amounting to £17||7||5 is Order'd to be paid by M^r. Richard Allen, Out of the Bal^o. that is due from him to the Parish.

Maj^r. John Power & Cap^t. William Armistead, are Chosen Church Wardens in the Stead of Col. Burwel Bafsett & Maj^r. Thruston James.

Order'd that the Church Wardens Enquire into what repairs are wanting at the Glebe, and Agree with Workmen to do the Same.

Order'd that the Church Wardens agree with Workmen to Make Such Repairs to the Upper Church as they Shall See necessary.

M^r. Richmond Allen D. Sher. is appointed Collector the Enjuing Year, on giving Bond & Security as usual.

Order'd that the Church Ward^s. agree with Workmen to build a house for the poor of this Parish on the Old Glebe.

Sign'd by C. Thacker Min^r.

John Power Ch. Warden

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O'the Vestry.

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the lower Church, the 10th. day of Nov^r. 1760.

Present

Maj ^r . John Power, and	} Ch. ward ^s .
Cap ^t . William Armistead	
Col. John Richardson,	Col. Gill Armistead
Maj ^r . Thruston James,	And
Col. Burwel Bafsett	M ^r . Richard Allen

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish

D^r.

1b Tob^o.

To the Rev. M^r. Thacker his Salary 16000^{lb} Tob^o.

To 4 ⌘ C^t. on d^o. for Cask 640^{lb}. & 4 ⌘ C^t.

for Shrinkage 640^{lb}

17280

To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & vestry 1500 ^{lb} . To 4 ſ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 60 ^{lb} .	1560
To Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} . To 4 ſ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 40 ^{lb}	1040
To Jemima Curle, Sextonefs at the upper Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20. & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb} .	620
To Edward Lively, Sexton at the lower Church 500 ^{lb} . & Cask 20 ^{lb} . & for washing the Surplice 100	620
To Ann Linsey	600
To Thomas Linsey	300
To M ^{rs} . Eliz ^a . Burnett, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	700
To Francis Day	500
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Edward	300
To M ^r . Benj ^a . Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To M ^r . William Clayton, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Maj ^r . John Power, for four Communion, for the lower Church	400
To Cap ^t . William Armistead, for four Communion for the upper Church	400
To Eleanor Banks, for keeping William, the Son of Jeremiah Curle	600
To Edward Lively, Exclusive of his Salary as Sexton	400
To Reb ^a . White, for keeping George Smith's Child	600
To John Linsey, for keeping Ijsabella Gray	250
To Richard C. Curle	400
To James Jones, for keeping David Dormer Eight Months at 1500 ^{lb} ſ Annum	1000
To Eliz ^a . Wall, for her Care & trouble with W ^m . Garland's Children from the time of his death	200

To Marg ^t . Manning, for keeping two of Sackville M'hone's Children last Year	800
To Sarah Fox, for keeping two of Joseph Foxes Children last Year	400
To Charles Hankin, for boarding Mary Row, finding Shoes &c.	550
To Matthew Cole, for keeping Benj ^a . Eacho	500
To Joel Willis, for keeping Tho ^o . Twin's Child Eighteen Months	600
To John Ashwel, for keeping James Goodin's Child two Years	800
To M ^r . Richmond Allen, Collector, Bal ^a . of his Acc ^{ts} . in 1759 & 1760	264½
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	31720½
To Tob ^o . for the Ch. Wardens to pay the Several Cash Acco ^{ts} . hereafter mention'd &c.	7000
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	38720½
To 6 Ⓕ C ^t . for Collecting 38720 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	2323
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	41043½
To Deposited in the Collector's hands, to be paid the Church Wardens	797
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Blisland Parish C ^r . By 1046 Tithes at 40 Ⓕ poll Cash acco ^{ts} . carried over	41840

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1760 Nov^r. 10th.

Blisland Parish, To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} . Viz ^t .	D ^r .
To Jemima Curle, for mending the Surplice, Communion Cloth, Pulpit Cloth & Cush- ion	£— 10 —

To Doctor William Harvey, his Acco ^t . for Eliz ^a . Kitson's board & finding her medi- cines to be paid Col. Gill Armistead	} 3 18 —
To Col. Gill Armistead Ex ^o r of M ^r . John Ruf- sel dec'd, his Acco ^t	3 12 —
To Col. Gill Armistead & C ^o . Acco ^t .	3 11 — $\frac{3}{4}$
To Col. Gill Armistead, his Acco ^t	— 8 —
To Walter Rawleigh, his Acco ^t . for Materials for the upper Church £1 13 — $\frac{1}{2}$ }	
To D ^o . his Acco ^t . for work done to the upper Church 8 10 — }	10 3 — $\frac{1}{2}$
To James Tyree, his Acco ^t . for boarding Walter Rawleigh & his 'prentices 71 days while at work on the upper Church } £2 10 — }	
To James Tyree, his Acco ^t . for Wheat, & Lyme & bricks for the upper Church — 7 — }	2 17 —
To William Farthing, his Acco ^t . for Brick- layer's work &c. at the upper Church	— 18 —
To Edward Valentine, for a Bar ^l . of Corn, for Richard Creed Curle	— 12 6
To Col. Burwel Bafsett, his Acco ^t . for Plank &c for the upper Church	3 3 1 $\frac{3}{4}$
To James Wade, his Acco ^t . for five Bar ^s . Corn for Edw ^a . Lively, & 3 Bar ^s . for Betty Jones, in all Eight Bar ^s . at 11/ ⌘ Bar ^l .	} 4 8 —
To Edward James, his Acco ^t . for Sundries for John Eacho	— 9 —
To William Mutlow, for keeping Mary Row two months at 5/ ⌘ month	— 10 —

To Maj^r. John Power, for paid M^r. William }
 Brown, for Six Bushels of Corn, for }
 Widow Charlton } —||12||—

The amount of the Sundry Cash Acco^{ts}.
 to be paid by the Ch. Wardens £ 35||11|| 9

M^r. William Smith D. Sher, is appointed Collector, on giving Bond & Security.

Maj^r. John Power & Cap^t. William Armistead are Continued Church Wardens.

Order'd the Church Wardens have Such repairs made on the Glebe as they Shall See necessary.

Betty, a Negrowoman belonging to M^r. Julius K. Burbridge is Exempted from paying her Parish Levy, on Account of her blindnefs.

John Taylor, Son of John Taylor dec'd, is Exempted from paying his Parish Levy, on Account of his Infirmary.

Sign'd by John Power }
 William Armistead } Ch. wardens.

Test.

Dudley Williams, Clark O'the Vestry.

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 19th. day of October 1761.

Present

The Rev: M^r. Thacker Min^r.

Maj^r. William Armistead, Ch. warden,

Col. John Richardson Col Burwel Bafsett

M^r. Richmond Terrel, Maj^r. Thruston James

M^r. Richard Allen and

Col. Gill Armistead M^r. John Shermer.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy	
Blisland Parish	D ^r . lb. Tob ^o .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker his salary 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 640 ^{lb} . & 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb}	17280
To Dudley Williams Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 60	1560
To Richardson Henly Clark of the lower Church 1000. To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 40	1040
To Jemima Curle Sexton ^s . of the upper Church 500 & Cask 20 for washing the Surplice 100	620
To Edward Lively Sexton of the lower Church the same	620
To Ann Linsey	600
To Thomas Linsey	300
To Elizabeth Burnett for keeping Elizabeth Wil- liams	700
To Mary Farthing for the support of her son Ed- ward	300
To M ^r . Benjamin Waller for a Copy of the list of Tithes	18
To M ^r . William Clayton, a Copy of d ^o .	18
To Maj ^r . John Power for four Communiones for the lower Church	400
To Maj ^r . William Armistead for four Communiones for the upper Church	400
To the Church Wardens for William the son of Jeremiah Curle	600
To Rebekah White for keeping George Smiths Child	600
To Richard Creed Curle towards his Maint ^s	400
To Richard* Tharp for keeping David Dormer	1500

*Note! This name may be "Sharp"; it is hard to decipher.—
C. G. C.

To David Allen for keeping William Charlton	1200
To Matthew Cole for keeping Benj ^a . Eacho	600
To William Hart for keeping Thomas Duco	600
To d ^o . for keeping the widow Rowe	600
To William Geddy for keeping Clift Duco	600
To Mary Jones towards his maint ^s	400
To Bernal Rufsell for keeping two of William Garlands Children	900
To Sarah Fox for keeping two of Joseph Foxes Children	500
To Joel Willis for keeping Thomas Twin's Child	400
To Eliz ^a . Farthing, for keeping Eliz ^a . Dunkerton Seven Months	400
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	33156
C ^r . By M ^r . William Smith, the Bal ^a . of his Acco ^t .	792
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	32364
D ^r . To 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ Cent for Collecting 32364 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	1941
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	34305
Blisland Parish C ^r	
By 1069 Tithes at 32 ^{lb} . Tob ^o . $\frac{3}{4}$ poll	34208
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Due to the Collector	97
1761 Oct ^r . 19 th .	
D ^r . Blisland Parish. To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} . Viz ^t .	
To William Jones, for keeping Lucy Tyree, Orphan of Roger Tyree dec'd	£ 5 — —
To Cap ^t . William Richardson, for Expences in burying Thomas Dugar	— 15 —
To William Geddy, for Clothing Clift Dugar	1 — 3
To Frances Foulkes, for mending the Surplice, finding linen & Thread	— 8 6
To Col. Gill Armistead & C ^o . bal ^a . of Acco ^t .	6 8 5½

To Col. Gill Armistead, bal ^a . of his Acc ^t	— 4 2
To John Yates, for keeping W ^m . Fletcher three months from laying the Levy in 1759	3 — —

£ 16||16|| 4½

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Order'd that Maj^r. William Armistead pay the several Cash Acco^{ts}. levied by the Parish, together with other Cash Acco^{ts}. which are unsettled, Out of the Bal^a. of Cash in his hands.

M^r. William Smith D. Sher. is Appointed Collector the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond and Security as Usual.

Cap^t. William Richardson, Cap^t. William Macon, and Cap^t. Edward Power are chosen Vestrymen in the stead of M^r. Leonard Henley dec'd, M^r. Isaac Goddin dec'd and M^r. William Hogg dec'd.

M^r. John Shermer and Col. Gill Armistead are Chosen Churchwardens in the Room of Maj^r. John Power and Maj^r. William Armistead.

Order'd that the Church Wardens agree with workmen to build a workhouse, for the poor of this Parish, on the old Glebe, pursuant to and Order of Vestry 1759, of Such dimentions as they Shall think necejsary.

Order'd that the Church Wardens Send to Great Britain for Table linen for the Communion Table.

Order'd that the Church Wardens demand and receive of the Representatives of Cap^t. William Kenney dec'd the Legacy given by the S^a. Kenney for a piece of plate for this Parish, pursuant to a former Order of Vestry.

Sign'd by C. Thacker Min^r.

John Shermer }
G. Armistead } Churchwardens

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church, the 12th. day of November 1762.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Thacker Min ^r .	M ^r . Richard Allen,
M ^r . John Shermer Ch. Warden,	Cap ^t . William Macon,
Col. John Richardson,	And
Maj ^r . John Power,	Cap ^t . Edward Power.
Maj ^r . Thruston James,	

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish D^r.

lb Tob^o.

To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker, his Salary 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	
To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 640 ^{lb} . & 4 Ⓕ C ^t . for shrinkage 640 ^{lb}	17280
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} . To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 60 ^{lb} .	1560
To Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} . To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 40 ^{lb} .	1040
To Jemima Curle, Sextonefs of the upper Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20 ^{lb} & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Edward Lively, Sexton of the lower Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20 ^{lb} . & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Thomas Linsey 300 ^{lb} . To Ann Linsey 600 ^{lb}	900
To M ^{rs} . Eliz ^a , Burnett, for keeping Eliz ^a , Williams	700
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Edward	300
To M ^r . Benj ^a . Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Cap ^t . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36

To Col. Gill Armistead's Estate, for four Communion, for the upper Church	400
To M ^r . John Shermer, for four Communion for the lower Church	400
To Reb ^a . White, for keeping George Smith's Child Present Maj ^r . William Armistead	600
To Richard Creed Curle, a further allowance towards his Maintainance	400
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for keeping David Dorrmer	1500
To David Allen, for keeping William Charlton	1000
To William Hart, for keeping widow Rowe	800
To Thomas Smith, for keeping Cliff Dugar	500
To Mary Jones	600
To Burnal Rufsel, for keeping two of William Garland's Children	900
To Sarah Fox, for keeping two of Joseph Foxes children	600
To Joel Willis, for keeping Thomas Twin's child 500 ^{lb} , and 100 ^{lb} Omitted last year 100 ^{lb}	600
To David Haselwood, for keeping Eliz ^a . Dunkerton	800
To Maj ^r . William Armistead, for Marg ^t . Manings keeping two of Sackvile M'hone's Children two Year, to be paid her	} 1600
To John Yates, for keeping John, the Son of Daniel Steward dec'd	
To Matt ^w . Cole, for Lydda Gadberry's keeping John Goodin from January the 8 th . 1761, till October 29 th . 1762	} 800

Debt Carried Over 34924

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1762 Nov^r. 12th. Blisland Parish D^r. lb Tob^o.
 To Debt brought over from the Other Side 34924

To Maj ^r . William Armistead, for Mary Jeffers' } keeping three of the Children of John Jef- } fers dec'd from April the 12 th . 1762 till Nov ^r . } 12 th . 1762	600
To Edward Lively, Exclusive of his Salary as Sexton	400
To M ^r . William Smith Collector, the Bal ^a . of his Acco ^t .	193
To Maj ^r . William Armistead, to pay Several Cash Acco ^{ts} .	3500
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To 6 ⌘ C ^t . for Collecting 39617 ^{1b} Tob ^o .	2377
	<hr/> 41994
Blisland Parish	C ^r
By 1088 Tithes at 38½ ^{1b} Tob ^o . ⌘ poll	41888
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Order'd that Maj^r. William Armistead, M^r. William Smith & Dudley Williams, meet as Soon as Conveniently they can, and proportion the Parish Levy.

M^r. William Smith D Sher. is appointed Collector the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond & Security as Usual.

William Hart is Chosen Sexton of the lower Church, in the Stead of Edward Lively, who resign'd that Office.

M^r. William Daingerfield is Chosen a Vestryman in the Stead of Col. Gill Armistead dec'd.

Cap^t. William Macon, and Cap^t. Edward Power, are Chosen Church Wardens, in the Stead of Col. Gill Armistead dec'd, & M^r. John Shermer, who resign'd that Office.

Sign'd by C. Thacker Min^r.

John Shermer Ch. ward^r.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry

Pursuant to an Order of Vestry dated Nov. 12th. 1762, We the Subscribers have met, and proportion'd the Parish Levy, & find it to be Thirty Eight & a half pounds of Tob°. Ⓕ poll, & One hundred & Six pounds of Tob°. due to the Collector from the Parish, as above. Witnefs Our hands January the 28th. 1763.

William Armistead

W^m. Smith

Dud. Williams

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church, the 25th. day of April 1763.

Present

Cap^t. William Macon, Ch. warden.

(who was this day Sworn into that Office)

M^r. Richmond Terrel,

M^r. John Shermer,

Maj^r. John Power,

Maj^r. William Armistead,

Maj^r. Thruston James,

Col. Burwel Bafsett, and

M^r. Richard Allen,

M^r. William Daingerfield.

Order'd that Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry, take the Register Books of this Parish into his care, And that the Clarks of Each Church give notice, that the Births & deaths in this Parish, are to be Registered by the S^d. Williams.

Order'd that Richard Creed Curle, be discharged from paying his Parish Levy on Account of his Infirmity.

Order'd that Maj^r. William Armistead pay M^r. John Timberlake Fifteen Shillings, for making and fixing a Dial-post, for the upper Church.

Sign'd by William Macon, Ch. warden.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O'the Vestry.

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church, the 13th. day of June 1763.

Present

Cap ^t . William Macon	} Ch. wardens
Cap ^t . Edward Power	
M ^r . Richmond Terrel,	M ^r . John Shermer,
Maj ^r . John Power,	Col. Burwel Bassett,
Maj ^r . Thruston James,	Maj ^r . William Armistead, and
M ^r . Richard Allen,	Cap ^t . William Richardson.

The Rev. M^r. Price Davies, having offered to Serve this Parish as Minister; the S^a. Vestry do agree to Accept of him as the Minister of this Parish: And the S^a. Vestry do agree to allow him at the laying the next Parish Levy, according to Act of Assembly, for the discharge of his Ministerial Function, from the 22^d. day of May last, till laying the Levy; and also to allow the S^a. M^r. Davies for his Board the S^a. time, in Consideration of his not being in possession of the Glebe.

M^r. James Hockaday is Chosen a Vestryman, in the Stead of Col. John Richardson dec'd.

Sign'd by	Price Davies Minister	} Church Wardens
	William Macon	
	Edward Power	

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at Chiswel's Ordinary, the 21st. day of November 1763.

Present

Cap ^t . Edward Power,	Ch. warden
Maj ^r . John Power	Cap ^t . William Richardson,
Maj ^r . Thruston James,	and
M ^r . Richard Allen	M ^r . James Hockaday
Maj ^r . William Armistead	

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish	D ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Thacker's Estate, late Minister of this Parish, Salary from laying the Levy in 1762 till the 19 th of March 1763 at 16000 ^{lb} } Ann. 6749 ^{lb} Tob°. To 4 } C ^t . on d°. for Cask } 271 ^{lb} , & 4 } C ^t . for Shrinkage 271 ^{lb} }	lb Tob°. 7291
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies, present Minister of this Parish, his Salary, from the 22 ^d . day of May last till October the 22 ^d . 1763, at 1600 ^{lb} Tob°. } Ann. 6665 ^{lb} , To 4 } C ^t . on d°. for Cask 266 ^{lb} , and 4 } C ^t . for Shrinkage 266 ^{lb} . }	7197
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry, 1500 ^{lb} , & 4 } C ^t . for Cask 60	1560
To Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church, 1000 ^{lb} . & 4. } C ^t . for Cask 40	1040
To Jemima Curle, Sextonefs of the upper Church, 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20 ^{lb} . To d°. for washing the Sur- plice 100 ^{lb}	620
To William Hart, Sexton of the lower Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20 ^{lb} , & for wash ^s . Surplice 100 ^{lb} .	620
To Thomas Linsey	300
To M ^{rs} . Eliz ^a . Burnett, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	700
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Ed- ward	300
To M ^r . Ben: Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Cap ^t . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To Jeremiah Martin, for keeping Ann Linsey	1065
To William Hart, for keeping Mary Rowe 950 ^{lb} , and for keeping William Garland's two Chil- dren till this time 1000 ^{lb} }	2050

Present Col. Burwel Bafsett & M ^r . William Dain- gerfield	
To Matthew Cole, for keeping widow Gadberry's Child & John Goodin	1200
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D ^r . Carried forward	23997
	1763
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1763. Nov 21 st .	
Blisland Parish	D ^r .
	1b Tob ^o .
To Debt brought forward	23997
To Sarah Fox for keeping Joseph Foxes two Chil- dren	750
To David Allen, for keeping William Charlton till June 6 th . 1763	533
To Robert Buchan, in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands, for keeping Betty Kitson, till 1763, & burying her	600
To Cap ^t . William Macon, for keeping Cliff Dugar	500
To D ^o . for two Communiones for the upper Church	250
To William Geddy, for keeping Thomas Dugar, who is to be bound to the S ^d . Geddy, & Geddy to Clear him from further Charge to the Parish	600
To Richard Creed Curle, a further allowance to- wards his Maintainance	400
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for keeping David Dor- mer	1500
To Mary Jones, in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands	800
To Joel Willis, for keeping Thomas Twins Child	500
To David Haselwood, for keeping Eliz ^a . Dunkerton	1000
To Marg ^t . Manning, for keeping two of Sackville M'hone's Children	800
To Edward Lively	800

To Ann Taylor, (in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands) for the Support of her Son John Tay- lor	600
To M ^r . William Smith, D. Sher. & Collector, his Acco ^t	595
To Cap ^t . Edward Power, for two Communion, for the lower Church	250
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To 6 ⌘ C ^t . for Collecting 34475 ^{1b} Tob ^o .	2068
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Blisland Parish C^r

	1b Tob ^o .
By 1100 Tithes at 34 ^{1b} . Tob ^o . ⌘ pole	37400
The Debt as above, is	36543

Deposited in the Collector's hands 857 Tob^o. to be
paid to the Church wardens towards repairs on the
Glebe

N. B. The Cash Acco^{ts}. & Orders Carried over to the
other Side

1763.

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1763. November the 21st.

Blisland Parish	D ^r
To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} , to be paid by Maj ^r William Armistead Out of the Bal ^a . of Tob ^o in his hands	}
Viz ^t . To M ^r Richard Allen, for boarding the Rev. M ^r Price Davies Minister of this Parish from June 21 st . last till laying the levy, for the deficiency of the Glebe's not being in his posses- sion, at the rate of £ 25 ⌘ Annum	} £ S. d. 10 8 4

To David Allen's Acc ^t . for burying William Charlton	1 5 6
To William Mutlow, his Acc ^t . for Corn to Sundry persons	3 6 —
To M ^r . John Timberlake, for Corn for Mary Jeffers, £ Cap ^t . William Macon's Order	1 — —
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	£ 15 19 10

M^r. William Smith D. Sher. is appointed Collector, on giving Bond & Security as usual.

M^r. Richard Allen is Chosen Church Warden, in the Stead of Cap^t. William Macon, with Cap^t. Edward Power.

William Swiney is discharg'd from paying his Parish Levy, on Account of his being lame in his Arm
Sign'd by

Edward Power
Richard Allen Church Wardens.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry.

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 12th. day of October 1764.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Price Davies Min^r.

M^r. Richard Allen }
Cap^t. Edward Power } Church Wardens

Col. Burwel Bafsett Maj^r. William Armistead

Maj^r. Thruston James Cap^t. William Richardson

M^r. John Shermer And

M^r. James Hockaday

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy, and to Examine the Returns of Procefsioners.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies Min ^r . his Salary 16000 ^{lb} .	
To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 640 ^{lb} . & 4 ⌘ Ct. for 1b Tob ^o . Shrinkage 640 ^{lb} .	17280
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} . To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 60	1560
To Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} . To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 40	1040
To Jemima Curle, Sextonefs of the upper Church (in the hands of M ^r . Richard Allen Church Warden) 500 ^{lb} . & Cask 20 ^{lb} . & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To William Hart Sexton of the lower Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Thomas Linsey	300
To M ^{rs} . Eliz ^a . Burnett, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	800
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Edward	300
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Cap ^t . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To Mary Farthing, for keeping Ann Linsey	1065
To William Hart, for keeping two of the Children of William Garland dec'd	1200
To William Hart, for Clearing the lower Church Yard	50
To Matthew Cole, for keeping the wid ^o . Gadberry's Child & John Goodin	1200
To Sarah Fox, for keeping Joseph Foxes two Children	800
To M ^r . Richard Allen, Church Warden, for four Commun ^o . for the upper Church	500
To Cap ^t . Edward Power, Church Warden, for four Commun ^o . for the lower Church	500
To Benj ^a . Allen, for keeping Mary Row	950
Present M ^r . William Daingerfield	
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for keeping David Dormer	1500

To Maj ^r . William Armistead, for Mary Jones	1000
To Joel Willis, for keeping Tho ^s . Twin's Child	500
To David Haselwood, for keeping Eliz ^a . Dunkerton	1000
To Marg ^t . Manning's Est ^a . for keeping two of Sackv ^r . M'hone's Children	1000
To Edward Lively	1000
To Ann Taylor, for the Support of her son John Taylor	700
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Debt Carried Over	35539

Blisland

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Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
1764 October 12 th .	1b Tob ^o .
To Debt bro ^r . Over	35539
To John Wall, for keeping two Children of John Jeffers dec'd	900
To d ^o . for d ^o . Short paid last Year	43
To the Bal ^a . of M ^r . William Smith's Acco ^t .	306
To James Tyree, for keeping John, Son of Dan ^l . } Steward dec'd from 1762 till this time }	800
To Tob ^o . in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands, to pay Sundry Cash Acc ^{ts} .	3000
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	40588
To 6 Ⓕ C ^t . for Collecting 40588 ^{1b} Tob ^o .	2435
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	43023
Deposited in the Collector's hands	135
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	43158
Blisland Parish	Cred ^r .
By 1121 Tithes @ 38½ Ⓕ poll	43158

M^r. William Smith D. Sher. is appointed Collector the En-
suing Year, on giving Bond & Security as usual.

M^r. William Daingerfield & Cap^t. William Richardson, are Chosen Church-Wardens, in the Stead of M^r. Richard Allen, & Cap^t. Edward Power.

On the Pettition of M^r. John Timberlake, to have an Old Negro man Jack, to be discharg'd from paying his Parish Levy, he is accordingly discharg'd on account of his being unable to do any Service.

The Returns of the Several Procefsioners in this Parish, were this day Examin'd by the Vestry, and Order'd to be Recorded in the Vestrybook of this Parish, for that purpose.

Sign'd by Price Davies Rector

William Daingerfield }
William Richardson } Ch. Wardens

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry.

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church October the 21st. 1765.

Present

Col. William Daingerfield }
Cap^t. William Richardson } Ch. wardens

Maj^r. Thruston James

M^r. John Shermer

M^r. Richard Allen

and

Maj^r. William Armistead

M^r. James Hockaday

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy, & Examine the Entry of the Procefsioners Returns.

Blisland Parish

Deb^r.

To the Rev. M^r. Price Davies Min^r. his Salary 16000^{lb}.

To 4 ₤ C^t. on d^o. for Cask 640^{lb}, & 4 ₤ C^t. 1b Tob^o.
for Shrinkage 640^{lb} 17280

To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Ves-

try 1500^{lb}. To 4 ₤ C^t. on d^o. for Cask 60 1560

To Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} .	
To 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 40	1040
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church 500 & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100	620
To William Hart Sexton at the lower Church 500 & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100	620
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Cap ^t . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To Martha Bush, for keeping Tho ^s . Linsey	300
To Mary Farthing, for keeping Ann Linsey 1065 ^{lb} and for her Son Edward 300 ^{lb}	1365
To M ^{rs} . Eliz ^a . Burnett, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams	800
To Col. William Daingerfield, for four Commun ^s . for the upper Church	500
To Cap ^t . William Richardson, for four d ^o . for the lower Church	500
To William Hart, for keeping two Children of William Garland dec'd	1200
To Sarah Fox, for keeping two Children of Jos. Fox dec'd	800
To Ben. Allen, for keeping Mary Row	950
To Richard Linsey, for keeping a Child of W ^m . Gad- berry dec'd & a Child of Jam ^s . Goodin dec'd	1200
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for keeping David Dormer till July 5 th . last past	1120
To Col. Wm Daingerfield, for Mary Jones, to be divided } between Stephen Jones and Jemima Curle accord- } ing to Each persons Expence }	1000
To David Haslewood, for keeping Eliz ^a Dunkerton from Octo ^r . 12 th . till Nov. 24 th . & burying her	250
To Sarah Manning, for keeping two Children of Sackv ^l . M'hone dec'd	1000
To Eliz ^a . Lively	500
To Ann Taylor, for the Support of her Son John	600

To John Wall, for keeping three Children of John Jeffers dec'd	1000
To William Smith Collector, the Bal ^a . of his Acco ^t	522
To 2000 in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands, towards paying the Cash Acco ^{ts} . And repairs for the upper Church	2000
	<hr/> 36781
To 6 ⌘ C ^t . for Collecting 36781 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	2206
	<hr/> 38987
Blisland Parish	Cred ^r .
By 1096 Tithes at 35½ ^{lb} Tob ^o . ⌘ poll	38908
	<hr/> 79
Due to the Collector	79

N. B. The Sundry Cash Acco^{ts}. allow'd by this Vestry, are
Over on the Other side

Blisland

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Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
1765 October 21 st .	
To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} , to be paid with the Bal ^a . in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands Viz ^t .	
To the Bal ^a . of Col. William Daingerfield's Acco ^t	£ 4 9 —
To William Jones for keping Lucy Tyree	5 — —
To Charles Hankin's Acco ^t for 5 Bar ^s . Corn at 10/	2 10 —
To Tho ^s . Hatton's Acco ^t for a Coffin for David Dormer	— 15 —
To Dud. Williams & James Hockaday's Acco ^t . for Sund ^s . for Lucy Tyree	1 — 8
To William Geddy's Acco ^t . for work done to the lower Church	3 2 6
	<hr/> £16 17 2

Col. William Daingerfield and Cap^t. William Richardson are Continued Church Wardens for the Ensuing Year.

Order'd that Maj^r. William Armistead Settle and pay Ben. Allen his Acco^t. for his Expences in Burying Mary Row, Out of the Cash in his hands.

Order'd that Col. William Daingerfield & Maj^r. William Armistead, meet and proportion the Parish Levy, & return it to the Clark of the Vestry to Enter Accordingly.

M^r. Wm Smith D. Sher. is appointed Collector the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond & Security as usual.

This day, the Entry of the Returns of the Procefsioners in 1764 in the Vestrybook, were Examined by the Vestry, from the Several Copies return'd; And are found to be Enter'd Agreeable to the Said Copies.

Toney, a Negro man, belonging to M^{rs}. Reb^a. Hockaday, is discharged from paying his Parish Levy, on Account of his Age and Infirmity.

Sign'd by Wm Daingerfield }
Wm Richardson } Ch. Wardens.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry.

Pursuant to an Order of Vestry dated October 21st. 1765 We the Subscribers have met, and proportioned the Parish Levy, and find it to be 35½^{lb} of Tob^o. Ⓕ poll, and a Bal^a. of 79^{lb} Tob^o. due to the Collector. Given under Our hands this 24th. day of March 1766

William Daingerfield
William Armistead

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church
October 20th. 1766.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Price Davies Min^r.
Cap^t. William Richardson Ch. Warden,
Col. Burwell Bafsett, M^r. Richard Allen,
M^r. Richmond Terrell, M^r. John Shermer
Maj^r. Thruston James, and
Maj^r. William Armistead, Cap^t. Edward Power.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy
Blisland Parish Deb^r.
To the Rev. M^r. Price Davies Min^r. his Salary 16000^{lb} lb Tob^o.
Tob^o., To 4 ⌘ C^t. on d^o. for Cask & 4 ⌘ C^t. for
Shrinkage 1280^{lb} 17280
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church &
Vestry, 1500^{lb}. To 4 ⌘ C^t. on d^o. for Cask 60 1560
To Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church
1000^{lb}. To 4 ⌘ C^t. on d^o. for Cask 40 1040
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church 500 & Cask
20 & for washing the Surplice 100 620
To William Hart, Sexton at the lower Church 500 &
Cask 20 & for washing the Surplice 100 620
To Col. William Daingerfield, for four Communiones,
for the upper Church 500
To Cap^t. William Richardson, for four d^o. for the
lower d^o. 500
To M^r. Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes 18
To Cap^t. William Clayton, for two Copies of d^o. 36
To Martha Bush, for keeping Tho^s. Linsey 300
To William Banks, for keeping Ann Linsey till Sep^r.
12th. 1766 @ 1200 ⌘ Annum 1100
To John Piggett, for keeping two Children of William
Garland dec'd 1200

To Sarah Fox for keeping a Son of Joseph Fox, dec'd	400
To Richard Linsey, for keeping a Child of Wm Gadderberry dec'd & a Child of James Goodin dec'd	1400
To Sarah Manning, for keeping two Children of Sackville M'hone dec'd	800
To Eliz ^a . Lively. 500 To Ann Taylor, for the Support of her Son John Taylor 600	1100
To John Wall, for keeping a Child of John Jeffers dec'd	550
To Dickson Haslewood, for keeping a Child of d ^o . dec'd	400
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Edward Farthing	500
To Elisha Bennett, for keeping Sarah Valentine Seven Months	700
To Mary Hogg, for keeping d ^o Three Months	300
To Joel Willis, for keeping Tho ^s . Twin's Child last year 300. & for d ^o . this year 200	500
To M ^r . Wm Smith Collector, the Bal ^a . of his Acco ^t . Including 79 due to him last year	647
To Tob ^o . in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands to pay the Several Cash Acco ^{ts} . & repairing up ^r . Ch.	3000
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	35071
To 6 p C ^t . for Collecting 35071 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	2104
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	37175
Deposited in the Collector's hands	277½
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	37452½
Blisland Parish	Cred ^r .
By 1055 Tithes @ 35½ p poll	37452½

Cash Acco^t. for this Vestry Carried Over

Blisland

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Blisland Parish To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} .	Deb ^r .
1766 October 20 th .	
To John Lewis & C ^o . for Sund ^r . £ James Taylor as	
£ Acco ^t	£ 2 6 11
To Reb ^d . Lilly for keeping Lucy Tyree	5 — —
To Mary Ashcraft, for one Bar ^l . Corn	— 15 —
To Eliz ^a . Lively for two Bar ^s . Corn	1 10 —
To Daniel Slater, for Sund ^r . for William Jeffers as	
£ Acco ^t .	1 9 6
To M ^r . Tho ^s . Cowles, for Setting up benches at the lower Ch.	1 10 —
To William Banks, for Expences in burying Ann Linsey	— 15 —
To Ben. Tyree, for keeping Priscilla Day's Child 3½ months	1 15 —
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	15 1 5

M^r. Will. Smith D. Sheriff, is appointed Collector the En-
suing Year, on giving Bond & Security as Usual.

M^r. Richmond Allen is chosen a Vestryman, in the Stead of
Cap^t. William Macon dec^d. And M^r. Richardson Henley, is
Chosen a Vestryman, in the Stead of Cap^t. John Power, who
is removed out of this Parish.

M^r. James Hockaday & M^r. Richmond Allen, a Chosen
Church Wardens in the Stead of Col. William Daingerfield &
Cap^t. William Richardson.

Sign'd by Price Davies Rector
William Richardson Ch. Warden.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church the 1st. day of October 1767.

Present

M ^r . James Hockaday,	} Ch.	Maj ^r . William Armistead,
Cap ^t . Richmond Allen,		} ward ^s .
Maj ^r . Thruston James,		
Col. Burwell Bafsett,		Col. William Daingerfield, and
M ^r . Richard Allen,		M ^r . Richardson Henley.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy, and Appoint Procefsioners.

	Deb ^r .
Blisland Parish	
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies Min ^r . his Salary 16000 ^{lb}	16000 ^{lb}
To ^o , & 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask, & 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Shrinkage 1280 ^{lb}	1280
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} & 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 60	1560
To M ^r . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} , & 4 ⌘ C ^t . for Cask 40	1040
To John Yates, Sexton at the up ^r . Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Eliz ^a . Hart, Sextonefs at the lower Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Cap ^t . Richmond Allen, for four Commun ^s . for the up ^r . Church	500
To M ^r . James Hockaday, for four Commun ^s . for the lower Church	500
To M ^r Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Cap ^t . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To Martha Bush, for keeping Tho ^s . Linsey	240
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Edward	400

To Tho ^s . Smith, for keeping Sarah Valentine from Octo ^r . 27 th . last at 1000 £ Annum	926
To Ann Taylor, for the Support of her Son John Taylor	480
To M ^r . Lancelott Woodward, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williams two months & twelve days from laying the Levy in 1765 & for Burying her	200
To William Hart's Estate, for keeping James Garland, Orphan of William Garland dec ^d . And John Goodin, Orphan of James Goodin dec ^d . from Nov ^r . 17 th . last @ 1200 £ Ann	1050
To John Wall, for keeping an Orphan of John Jeffers dec ^d .	550
To Sarah Fox, for keeping an Orphan of Joseph Fox dec ^d .	400
To Sarah Manning, for keeping two Children of Sackville Mahone dec ^d .	400
To Eliz ^a . Lively	400
To M ^r . William Smith Collector, his Acco ^t .	568
To 3000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands, to pay Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} .	3000
	<hr/> 30788
D ^o . C ^r . By Depositum in the Collector's hands last year, not taken from his Acco ^t .	277½
	<hr/> 30510½
D ^o . D ^r . To 6 £ C ^t . for Collecting 30510½ ^{lb} Tob ^o	1830
	<hr/> 32340½
D ^o . Cred ^r . By 1042 Tithes @ 31 £ poll	32302
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Due to the Collector	38½

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Blisland Parish To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} .		£ S. d.
1767 Octo ^r . 1 st .		
To John Piggett, for keeping William Garland, Orphan of Will ^m . Garland dec ^d .	— 12	6
To Rebecca Lilly, for keeping Lucy Tyree	5 —	—
To William Jones, for keeping a Child of Susannah Sanders from Feb ^r . 1 st . last @ £5. ꝯ Ann	3 8	8
To William Manning, for keeping a Child of Priscilla Days	4 —	—
To M ^r . James Hockaday, for 6 Bushels of Corn for Patience Linsey	— 15	—
To D ^o . for paid M ^{rs} . Pasteur, for making a Surplice, & finding thr ^d . & butt ^s .	1 7	—
To Marg ^t . Haselwood, for a Bar ^l . of Corn for Patience Linsey	— 12	6
To Maj ^r . John Prentis, for 12 Yards of hol ^d . @ 7/6 for a Surplice	4 10	—
To M ^r . John Lewis, his Acco ^t .	4 8	10
To Cap ^t . Richmond Allen Churchwarden, his Acco ^t	4 12	3
To Doct ^r . William Harvey, of his Acco ^t of £4 15	2 10	—
To William Jones, for keeping Susannah Sanders' Child the Year 1765	5 —	—
To Col. William Daingerfield's Acco ^t .	1 10	3
To Rebecca Lilly, her Acco ^t . for Sund ^s . for Lucy Tyree two Years	2 9	2
To William Jones, his Acco ^t . for Sund ^s . for d ^o . the Year 1763 Omitted	1 6	—
To John Ball, for making a Coffin for Jemima Curles Child	— 7	6
	42 9	8

M^r. James Hockaday, & Cap^t. Richmond Allen, are Continued Ch. Wardens.

M^r. William Smith D. Sheriff is appointed Collector the En-
suing Year, on giving Bond and Security as Usual.

Order'd that the Church Wardens Endeavour to purchase
that part of land of David Chandler, which lies between the
Glebe and the Swamp, to be Annexed to the Glebe.

James Hockaday }
Richmond Allen } Ch. Wardens

Test Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry

At

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church,
the 10th. day of October 1768.

Present

The Rev. M ^r . Price Davies Min ^r .	M ^r . Richard Allen,
M ^r . James Hockaday } Ch.	M ^r . John Shermer,
Cap ^t . Richmond Allen } Ward ^s .	Col. Burwel Bafsett,
M ^r . Richmond Terrel,	Maj ^r . William Armistead, &
Maj ^r . Thruston James,	Cap ^t . Richardson Henley

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies Min ^r . his Salary 16000 ^{lb} ,	1b Tob ^o .
& 4 ₤ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask, & 4 ₤ C ^t . for Shrink- age 1280	17280
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} , & 4 ₤ C ^t . for Cask 60	1560
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church 1000 ^{lb} , & 4 ₤ C ^t . for Cask 40	1040
To John Yates, Sexton at the up ^r . Church 500 & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100	620
To John Piggott, Sexton at the lower Church 500 & Cask 20, & for washing the Surplice 100	620
To Cap ^t . Richmond Allen, for four Communion, for the upper Church	500

To M ^r . James Hockaday, for four Communion, for the lower Church	500
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Maj ^r . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To Mary Farthing, for the Support of her Son Edward	400
To James Valentine, for keeping his Mother from Dec ^r . 22 ^d last till laying the Levy at 1000 ⌘ Ann	800
To Ann Taylor, for the Support of her Son John Tay- lor	
To Tho ^s . Smith, for keeping Sarah Valentine 26 days from laying the levy last year	74
To Moses Swiney, for keping Jam ^s . Garland, Orphan of William Garland dec ^d . and John Goodin, Orphan of Jam ^s . Goodin dec ^d	1000
To John Wall, for keeping Richard Jeffers, Orphan of John Jeffers dec ^d , from Octo ^r . 1 st . till March 1 st . @ 550 ⌘ Ann	
To Daniel Slater, for keeping Richard Jeffers, Orphan of John Jeffers dec ^d . from March 1 st , till Oct ^r . 10 th at 550 ⌘ Ann	325
To Sarah Manning, for keeping two Children of Sackv ^l . M'hone dec ^d	
To Elizabeth Lively	400
To Sarah Ramsey, for keeping <u>Matthew Curle, from</u> Octo ^r . 1 st . 1767 till Mar. 4 th . 1768	150
To John Manning, for keeping a Child of Susanna Sanders's 18 Months, & funeral Charges	500
To M ^r . William Smith Collector, his Acco ^t	
To 6000 ^{lb} , in Maj ^r . William Armistead's hands, to pay Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} .	6000

Debt Carried forward

33506½

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	Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
	1768. Octo ^r . 10 th ,	1b Tob ^o
	To Debt bro ^t . forward	33506½
	To 6 ⌘ C ^t . for Collecting 33506½ ^{1b} Tob ^o .	2010
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		35516½
	Deposited in the Collector's hands	255½
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		35772
	Blisland Parish	Cred ^r .
	By 1084 Tithes at 33 ^{1b} Tob ^o . ⌘ poll	35772
	Blisland Parish, To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} .	Deb ^r .
	Viz ^t .	
	To M ^r . John Lewis & C ^o . Acco ^t	£ 3 13 7
	To William Jones, for keping Lucy Tyree, & a Child of Susan ^b . Sand ^s	8 — —
	To M ^r . James Hockaday, for two Bar ^s . Corn for Patience Linsey	1 — —
	To Cap ^t . Richmond Allen, his Acco ^t . Including Doct ^r . William Harvey's Acc ^t . of 35/	4 1 7
	To David Chandler, his Acco ^t . for Rent of his house, & going to Mill for Tho ^s . M'gary	— 10 5
	To M ^r . John Ball, for a Coffin, for Tho ^s . M'gary's Child	— 7 6
	To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies, for a Tract of Land } bo ^t . of David Chandler, Annexed to the Glebe }	25 — —
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		42 13 1
	Blisland Parish	Cred ^r .
	By M ^r . James Hockaday, a Fine Rec ^d . of Sarah Manning	2 10 —
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	Bal ^a . of Cash Acco ^{ts} . due from the Parish	£40 3 1

This day M^r. Richmond Terrel resign'd the Office of a Vestryman of this Parish.

M^r. Bartholomew Dandridge, is this day Chosen a Vestryman, in the room of M^r. Richmond Terrel.

Maj^r. William Armistead, & Cap^t. Richardson Henley, are Chosen Church Wardens in the Stead of M^r. James Hockaday, & Cap^t. Richmond Allen, & Accordingly Sworn.

Bartlet Williams D. Sheriff is appointed Collector of the Parish Levy the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond & Security as Usual.

Eight of the Procefsioners returns were this day Examin'd by the Vestry, & Ordered to be Recorded.

Sign'd by

Price Davies Rector,
William Armistead, }
Richardson Henley, } Church Wardens

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry

[125]

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the lower Church, the 23^a. day of October 1769.

Present

Maj^r. William Armistead, } Ch. M^r. John Shermer,
Cap^t. Richardson Henley, } wardens Cap^t. William Richardson
Maj^r. Thruston James, and
M^r. Richard Allen, Cap^t. Richmond Allen.
Col. Burwell Bafsett.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies Min ^r . his Salary	} lb Tob ^o . 17280
16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o , & 4 ₤ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 640 ^{lb} , and	
4 ₤ C ^t . on d ^o . for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb}	

To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry 1500 ^{lb} , & 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 60 ^{lb}	1560
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church, 1000 & 4 Ⓕ C ^t . on d ^o . for Cask 40	1040
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church 500 ^{lb} & Cask 20 ^{lb} , & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To John Piggot, Sexton at the lower Church 500 & Cask, 20, & for washing the Surplice 100 ^{lb}	620
To Maj ^r . William Armistead, Ch. warden, for four Commun ^s . for the upper Church	500
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Ch. warden, for four Commun ^s . for the lower Church	500
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	18
To Maj ^r . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	36
To Maj ^r . William Armistead, for the Support of Sarah Valentine	1000
To M ^r . William Smith, late Collector, his Acco ^t . Short Cast last year	100
To Moses Swiney, for keeping James Garland, Orphan of William Garland dec ^d . and John Goodin, Orphan of James Goodin dec ^d .	700
To Daniel Slater, for keeping Richard Jeffers, Orphan of John Jeffers dec ^d .	500
To Martha Bush, for keeping Thomas Linsey	500
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C ^r .	24974
By Bartlet Williams Collector	523½
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D ^r .	24450½
To 6 Ⓕ Cent. for Collecting 24450 ^{lb} Tob ^o	1467
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	25917

C ^r .		
By 1132 Tithes @ 23 ^{1b} Tob ^o . ̄ Tithe	26036 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	
Deposited in the Collector's hands		119
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		26036
Blisland Parish	To Sundry Cash Acco ^{ts} .	Deb ^r .
To Ann Taylor, for the Support of her Son John Taylor		£ 4 3 4
To <u>Pearson Piggot</u> , for finding Plank & Making a Coffin for Thomas M'gary		— 15 —
To Stephen Jones, in part of his Acco ^t . of £2 7 6 for moving Tho ^a . M.gary &c.		1 — —
To M ^r . John Lewis, his Acco ^t		— 14 —
To Cap ^t . William Richardson, his Acco ^t . for Corn, for Mary Banks, & Tho ^a . M'gary		2 5 10
To William Jones, for keeping Lucy Tyree £5. and for keeping Susan ^a . Sanders's Child £5.		10 — —
To <u>M^r. John Shermer</u> , for his Acco ^t . for 68½ ^{1b} Bacon @ 6 ^d		1 14 3
To Eliz ^a . Harman, for keeping Mary M'Cormick, from March 5 th , till Octo ^r . 23 ^d		3 10 —
To John Manning, his Acco ^t . for 156 ^{1b} beef, for John Harris & Eliz ^a . Cumbo		1 7 —
To Eliz ^a . Deaton, for keeping Priscilla Day's Child		3 5 —
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, to pay George Flack } for teaching Mary Banks's Children, when } the year is Expired }		1 — —
Carried Over		£29 14 5
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1769 October 23 ^d Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .	
To the amount of the Cash Acco ^{ts} . bro ^t . Over		£29 14 5
To 6 ̄ Cent for Collecting £29 14 5		1 15 7
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		31 10 —

D°. C°. By 1132 Tithes @ $6\frac{3}{4}^d$ ☉ Tithe £31||16||9

Deposited in the Collector's hands

6|| 9

£31||16|| 9

Maj^r. William Armistead, and Cap^t. Richardson Henley, are Continued Church Wardens.

Richard Linsey is Chosen Sexton of the lower Church, in the Stead of John Piggott, who resign'd.

Maj^r. William Armistead this day made return of his transactions as Treasurer of the Parish, from the Year 1760 to this day; and the Bal^a. due to the Parish is £9||6

Bartlet Williams D. Sheriff is appointed Collector the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond and Security.

Sign'd by

William Armistead }
Richardson Henley } Ch. ward^s.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church, the 23^d. day of October 1770

Present

The Rev. M^r. Price Davies Min^r.

Maj^r. William Armistead }
Cap^t. Richardson Henley } Ch. Wardens,

Col. Burwel Bafsett,

Cap^t. William Richardson,

M^r. Richard Allen,

M^r. James Hockaday,

M^r. John Shermer,

and

M^r. Bartholomew Dandridge.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish

Deb^r.

To the Rev. M^r. Price Davies Min^r. his Salary 16000^{1b} }
Tob^o., To 4 ☉ C°. on d°. for Cask 640^{1b} and 4 ☉ } 1b Tob^o.
C°. on d°. for Shrinkage 640 } 17280

To 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent. for Collecting 17280 ^{lb} Tob°.	1036
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	18316
Deposited in the Collector's hands, to be accounted for next year	98
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	18414
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Blisland Parish

Cred^r.

lb Tob°.

By 1116 Tithes at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^{lb} Tob°. $\frac{2}{3}$ poll 18414

Blisland Parish To Cash Deb^r.

	£	S.	d.
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church & Vestry	15	—	—
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church	10	—	—
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church, & for washing the Surplice	5	—	—
To Richard Linsey, Sexton at the lower Church, & for washing the Surplice	5	—	—
To Maj ^r . William Armistead Ch. warden, for four Commun ^s . for the upper Church	5	—	—
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Ch. warden, for four Commun ^s . for the lower Church	5	—	—
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	—	3	—
To Maj ^r . William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	—	6	—
To the Church Wardens, for Sarah Valentine	8	6	8
To Jeremiah Martin, for keeping James Garland, & Richard Jeffers	7	1	8
To Cap ^t . William Richardson, for 5 Bar ^s .. Corn at 15 $\frac{1}{4}$ for Mary Banks	3	15	—

To Sarah Laffoon, for keeping Mary M'Cormick	5 — —
To Jeremiah Martin his Acco ^t . for Sund ^s . for Mary Banks	— 8 —
To William Jones, for keeping Lucy Tyree	5 — —
To Martha Bush, for keeping Tho ^s . Linsey	5 — —
To Moses Sweny, for keeping John Goodin, & Susanna Sanders's Child	5 — —
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, for 30 ^{lb} bacon at 7 ^d . for Keziah Allen, & Eliz ^a . Cumbo	— 17 6
To Charles Hankin, for 10 Bar ^s . Corn at 12/6. for Eliz ^a . Lively	6 5 —
To the Church Wardens, to Settle and to pay } Doct ^r . William Pasteur's Acco ^t . for Thomas M'gary and Keziah Allen }	12 12 6
Debt Carried Over	£104 15 4

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1770 October 23^d. Blisland Parish Deb^t.

To debt bro ^t . Over from the Other Side	£104 15 4
To Ann Taylor, for the Support of her Son John Taylor	4 3 4
To Mary Jones, for keeping Keziah Allen } 19 days in her sickness at 20/ 3 month }	— 13 7
To John Thomas Constable one Levy paid } William Smith wrong listed in 1767 31 ^{lb} } Tob ^s .	— 5 2
To Bartlet Williams Collector, bal ^a . of his Acco ^t .	7 5 10¼
To the Church Wardens, for repairs to be made on the Glebe	10 — —
	127 3 3¼
To 6 3 Cent. for Collecting	£127 3 3¼ 7 12 7
	134 15 10¼

Deposited in the Collector's hands	1 13¼
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	£ 134 17 —
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Blisland Parish	Cred ^r .
By 1116 Tithes at 2 ^s . 5 ^d . ¼ Poll	£ 134 17 —

Col. Burwel Bafsett, and Maj^r. William Armistead, are appointed to meet and proportion the Parish Levy according to the List of Tithes.

M^r. John Townes is Chosen a Vestryman in the Stead of Col. William Daingerfield, who is removed out of the Parish.

M^r. Barth^w. Dandridge, & M^r. John Townes are Chosen Church-Wardens for the Ensuing year, and M^r. Barth^w. Dandridge Sworn accordingly

At the request of Maj^r. William Armistead, it is agreed he shall Settle the bal^a. of his Acco^t. with the Church Wardens, and pay them the bal^a. if any remaining in his hands.

Bartlet Williams D. Sheriff is appointed Collector of the Parish levies the Ensuing Year, on giving Bond & Security.

Signed by

Price Davies Rector

B. Dandridge Ch. Warden

Test Dud. Williams Clark O' the Vestry.

Pursuant to an Order of Vestry dated October 23^d. 1770, We the Subscribers have met and Proportion'd the Parish Levy, and find it to be Sixteen & a half pounds of Tob^o. ¼ poll, and two Shillings & five pence Cash ¼ Poll, leaving a depositum of Ninety Eight pounds of Tob^o. and one Shilling and one penny three farthings Cash. Witnefs Our hands this 27th. of Feb^r. 1771.

Burwel Bafsett.

William Armistead.

Test Dud. Williams, Clark O' the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the lower Church, the 29th. day of October 1771.

Present

M^r. Bartholomew Dandridge, Church Warden.
 Maj^r. Thruston James. Cap^t. William Richardson,
 M^r. John Shermer, Cap^t. Edward Power,
 M^r. Richard Allen, Cap^t. Richmond Allen, and
 Cap^t. Richardson Henley

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy, and to Appoint Procefsioners.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies, Rector, his Salary } 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . To 4 Ɔ Cent. on 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . for } Cask 640 ^{lb} & 4 Ɔ Cent on d ^o . for Shrinkage } 640 ^{lb} } 17280	lb Tob ^o .
To Bartlet Williams Collector, his Acco ^t . for Insolvents	247½
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	17527½
C ^r . By bal ^a . deposited in the Collector's hands last year	98
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D ^r . To 6 Ɔ Cent for Collecting 17429½ ^{lb} Tob ^o .	1045½
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Whole Tob ^o . debt	18475
C ^r . By 1150 Tithes at 16 ^{lb} Tob ^o . Ɔ Poll	18400
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Due from the Parish to the Collector	75

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To Dudley Williams Clark of the upper Church & Vestry	£ 15 — —
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church	10 — —

To Richard Linsey, Sexton at the lower Church	5 — —
To <u>John Yates</u> , Sexton at the upper Church	5 — —
To M ^r . John Townes, Ch. Warden, for four } Communions for the Upper Church, and } four d ^o . for the lower Church }	10 — —
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	— 3 —
To Col. William Clayton, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	— 6 —
To Jeremiah Martin, for keeping Thomas Linsey	7 — —
To d ^o . for keeping James Garland	3 — —
To William Jones, for keeping Lucy Tyree	5 — —
To Moses Sweny, for keeping Richmond Jeffers } £2 and for keeping Susannah Sanders's } Child £5 }	7 — —
To Thomas Smith, for keeping John Goodin	1 15 —

Debt Carried Over October 29th, 1771 £ 69|| 4||

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1771 October the 29th. Blisland Parish Deb^t

To debt bro ^t Over from the Other Side	£ 69 4 —
To M ^r . John Lewis, for Clothing for John Good- in	— 15 —
To Mary Jones, for keeping Sarah Valentine	8 — —
To David Williams, for three barrels of Corn, } for John Taylor and two barrels of Corn, } for Patience Linsey at 12/6 }	3 2 6
To <u>M^r. John Shermer</u> , for Six and a half } barrels of Corn, for Stephen Jones, and } Rebekah Williams, at 12/6 }	4 1 3
To Peter Rue, for four & a half barrels of } Corn at 15/ 6 barrel for Stephen Jones }	3 7 6
To M ^r Richard Allen, for two barrels of Corn, for Jimima Curle	1 5 —

To M ^r . John Timberlake, his Acco ^t . for Pork & Corn, for d ^o .	3 7 9
To M ^r . Ben. Moore, for 4 Gall ^a . Molafses at 2/6 for Patience Linsey, and 2 ^{1b} Sugar at 8 ^d . for Stephen Jones	— 11 4
To William Jennings, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williamson's Child from Feb ^r . 23 ^d . last, at £5 p Annum	3 6 8
To Prudence Odal, for keeping Mary M'Cormick	5 — —
To M ^r . Bartholomew Dandridge, for Corn & Other things for Mildred Jennings's Children & Eliz ^a . Cumbo, the Acco ^t . to be Settled at next Vestry	5 — —
To Bartlet Williams Collector, his Cash Acco ^t . for Insolvents	1 16 3
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	£108 17 3
To 6 p Cent for Collecting £108 17 3	6 10 7½
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The whole Cash debt Blisland Parish Cred ^r .	£115 7 10½
By 1150 Tithes, at 2/ Due to the Collector	115 — — — 7 10½
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	£115 7 10½

M^r. Bartholomew Dandridge, & M^r. John Townes, are Continued Church Wardens the Ensuing year.

M^r. Bartholomew Dandridge, & M^r. John Townes, Churchwardens, are Chosen Collectors of the Parish Levies, on giving Bond & Security as Usual.

Sign'd by

B Dandridge Church Warden

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark o' the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church, the 19th. day of October 1772.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Price Davies Min^r.

M ^r . Bartholomew Dandridge	} Churchwardens.
M ^r . John Townes	

Col. Burwell Bassett,	M ^r . John Shermer,
Maj ^r . Thruston James,	Cap ^t . William Richardson,
Maj ^r . William Armistead,	Cap ^t . Richmond Allen,
M ^r . Richard Allen,	M ^r . James Hockaday, and
Cap ^t . Richardson Henley.	

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy, and receive the Procefsioners returns.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies Min ^r . his Salary 16000 ^{lb}	1b Tob ^o .
Tob ^o . To 4 ⌘ C ^t . on 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . for Cask	} 17280
640 ^{lb} , & 4 ⌘ C ^t . on d ^o . for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb}	
To Bartlet Williams Collector, Due to him . . . last year	75
To d ^o bal ^a . of his Acco ^t . of Tob ^o .	192
	<hr/> 17547
C ^r . By Bartlet Williams Collector 1 Levy rec ^d . of John Churn for 1770	16½
By S ^t . Peter's Parish, for Lawrence Egmon's Levies	325
	<hr/> 341½
	17205½
D ^r . To 6 ⌘ Cent. for Collecting 17205½ ^{lb} Tob ^o .	1032
	<hr/> 18237½
Deposited in the Collector's hands	50½
	<hr/> 18288
C ^r . By 1143 Tithes, at 16 ^{lb} Tob ^o . ⌘ Poll	18288

1772 October 19 th . Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .	
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the Upper Church & Vestry	£ 15	— —
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church	10	— —
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church	5	— —
To Richard Linsey, Sexton at the lower Church	5	— —
To M ^r . John Townes Churchwarden, for four Communions for the Upper Church £5.	} 10	— —
And for four d ^o . for the lower Church £5.		
To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	—	2 3
To Col. William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes	—	4 6
To Jeremiah Martin, for keeping Tho ^s . Linsey	8	— —
To Eliz ^a . Sanders, for keeping Susannah Sanders' Child	5	— —
To M ^r . Richard Allen Jun ^r . for Clothes for John Goodin	4	— — 2½
To Elisha Bennett, for 77 ^{lb} . beef, for Jemima Curle	—	12 10
To Cornelius Jones, for half a bar ^l . of Corn, for Stephen Jones	—	6 8
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Debt Carried forward	£ 63	6 5½

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1772 Octo ^r . 19 th . Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .	
To debt bro ^t . forward	£ 63	6 5½
To M ^r . John Slater's Acco ^t . for 2½ bar ^s . Corn for Jemima Curle, and 3 Bar ^s . d ^o . for Ann Taylor @ 15/	} 4	2 6
To M ^r . John Townes, for paid M ^r . James Under- wood, for 17 ^{lb} . wind ^o . lead @ 6 ^d		
	—	8 6

To Sarah Ramsey, of her Acco ^t . of £2 3 9 for keeping & burying Lucy Tyree	1 3 9
To M ^r . Tho ^s . Cowles, his Acco ^t . for horseblocks & benches, at the lower Church	5 — —
To M ^r . William Tyree, his Acco ^t for d ^o . & d ^o . at the upper Church	4 13 4
To Cap ^t . William Richardson, for a bar ^l . of meal for Marg ^t . Haslewood	— 16 —
To Isaac Fox's Acco ^t . for his Sister Sarah, her board 9 weeks in her Sicknefs, Coffin, and funeral Charges	4 10 —
To Tho ^s . Rawson, for Accomodating the Glazier 7 days, when glazing the Church windows	— 16 3
To John Bradenham, for a bar ^l . Corn, for Patience Linsey	— 15 —
To Benj ^a . Moore's Acco ^t . for Molafses &c.	— 13 1
To M ^r . John Townes, for 2 bar ^s . Corn for Jemima Curle	1 10 —
To Doct ^r . Andrew Anderson's Acco ^t . for Salley Fox	6 11 6
To M ^r . John Townes, for a Napkin	— 2 6
To Joel Willis, for 17 Yards of Virginia Cloth, for Mary M'Comick @ 2/	1 14 —
To M ^r . John Townes, his Acco ^t . for work on the upper Church & Glebe, and for materials	10 12 9½
To M ^r . John Lewis Merch ^t . the bal ^s . of his Acco ^t . from 1765 till this time	2 7 2
To M ^r . David Lewis & C ^o . Acco ^t . for 6 Ells Oznb ^s . and 1½ Yard of plains for Jemima Curle	— 10 6
To William Jennings, for keeping Eliz ^a . Wil- liamson her child, a year	5 — —
To M ^r . Barthol ^w . Dandridge Ch. warden, the bal ^s . of his Acco ^t .	4 13 10½

To Turner Cumbo, for keeping Eliz ^s . Cumbo	3 — —
To M ^r . William Hankin, for 5 bar ^s . Corn for Stephen Jones, at 15/	3 15 —
To M ^r . Daniel Taylor, for the Rent of his house, for Patience Linsey	1 5 —
To M ^r . William Hankin, for 6 bar ^s . Corn, for Mary Banks @ 15/	4 10 —
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	131 17 2½
To 6 ⌘ Cent. for Collecting £131 17 2½	7 18 2¾
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	139 15 5¼
Deposited in the Collector's hands, to be ac- } counted for at laying the next Parish Levy }	5 9 8¼
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	£145 5 1½
Cred ^r . By 1143 Tithes at 2/6½	£145 5 1½

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1772 October 19th.

Burnal Rufsell is discharged from paying his Parish Levy for the future.

Order'd that the Clark of the Vestry Record the Returns of the Several Procefsioners, in Order to have them examin'd.

Viz^t. The Return of Stephen Willis and John Ames.
The Return of John Harman and Julius Vadin.
The Return of Edward Warren and Geo. Clough.
The Return of David Williams and William Tyree.
The Return of James Allen and John Richardson.
The Return of Walter Rawleigh and And^w. Banks.
The Return of Richard Gaddey and John Hankin.
The Return of William Hankin and Tho^s. Hatton.
The Return of William Geddy and William Spraggins.
The Return of Philemon Woodward and Randolph
Woodward.

Col. Burwell Bafsett, and Maj^r. Thruston James, are Chosen Churchwardens for the Ensuing year.

Maj^r. Thruston James Churchwarden, and M^r. William Armistead Jun^r. are Chosen Collectors of the Parish Levies the ensuing year, on giving Bond and Security as Usual.

Sign'd by

P. Davies Rector
 Bur^l. Bafsett } Churchwardens
 Thruston James }

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church, the 29th, day of November 1773.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Price Davies, Rector,

Col. Burwell Bafsett, } Church wardens.
 Maj^r. Thruston James, }

Maj^r. William Armistead, M^r. James Hockaday,

Cap^t. William Richardson, Cap^t. Richmond Allen, and

Cap^t. Richardson Henley

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish

Deb^r.

To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies Min ^r his Salary 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	} 17280 ^{lb} Tob ^o . at 12/6 £108 — —
To 4 ⌘ Cent. on d ^o . for Cask 640 and 4 ⌘ Cent. for Shrinkage 640	
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church and Vestry	15 — —
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church	10 — —

To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church	5 — —
To Richard Linsey, Sexton at the lower Church	5 — —
To Col. Burwell Bafsett, Ch. warden, for four Communion, for the upper Church	5 — —
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, Ch. warden, for four Communion for the lower Church	5 — —
To Ben. Waller Esq ^r . for a Copy of the List of Tithes	— 3 —
To Col. William Clayton, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	— 6 —
To M ^r . George Bridges, for keeping Tho ^s . Linsey	8 — —
To the Churchwardens, for Susannah Sanders' Child	5 — —
To Maj ^r . Thruston James Ch. warden, for } Clothing for John Gooding, and Kirby } Washer's Children, & M ^r . John Lewis's } Acco ^t . }	2 17 —
To M ^r . William Norvell, his Acco ^t . for 3 bar ^s . } Corn for John Buffin in 1770, at 12/6, and } 9 bar ^s Corn this year for Stephen Jones, } at 15/ }	8 11 —
To M ^r William Brown, for 7 bar ^s . Corn, for Mary Banks at 15/	5 5 —
To M ^r . William Hankin, for 5 bar ^s . Corn, for Stephen Jones, at 13/3, Omitted last year	3 6 3
To Mary Banks, for keeping a Child of Marg ^t . Haslewood's 9½ Months	4 — —
To Eliz ^a . Austin, for keeping two of Jefse Hall's Children from Feb ^y . 27 th . last	8 — —
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, to pay Eleanor } Allen, for the Rent of a Plantation, for } Stephen Jones }	3 10 —
To M ^{rs} . Reb ^a . Hockaday, for ½ bar ^l . Corn for Patience Linsey	— 6 3

To M ^r . William Tyree, for keeping and maintaining Richard Curle, Orphan of Richard Curle dec ^d . he is to keep him from being any Charge to the Parish for the future	8 — —
To Doctor Andrew Anderson's Acco ^t . for Mary Yates, and Richmond Jeffers	1 14 —
To James Odal's Acco ^t . for keeping Mary M ^c Comick about five weeks, and for her funeral charges	2 10 —
To John Ball Sen ^r . for a Coffin for Elisha Frazier	— 15 —
To M ^r . Barth ^v . Dandridge's Acco ^t .	5 9 3
To Turner Cumbo, for keeping his Mother	3 10 —
To Benj ^a . Wall, for keeping his brother John's Son Tho ^s . from Jan ^y . 2 ^d . last	1 10 —
To William Jennings, for keeping Eliz ^a . Williamson's Child from October 1772 and a Child of Mildred Jennings's	7 10 —
Carried forward	£233 2 9
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1773 Nov ^r . 29 th . Blisland Parish Deb ^r .	
To debt bro ^t . forward	£233 2 9
To Eliz ^a . Deaton, bal ^s . of her prov'd Acco ^t for boarding and keeping James Day the year 1768	4 — —
To Col. Burwell Bafsett Church warden, his Acco ^t .	4 14 3¼
To William Jones, for a Coffin, for Lucy Tyree	— 15 —
To Rachel Wall, for 9 yards of Virginia Cloth & p ^r . of Shoes and Stockings, for a Child of John Wall dec ^d .	1 1 9
To M ^r . David Lewis and C ^o . Acco ^t .	4 14 5½

To David Williams's Acco ^t . of £7 17 6 for work done on the Glebe	6 — —
To Bartlet Williams, bal ^s . of his Acco ^t . for Insolv ^s . last year	1 11 5½
To M ^r . W. Smith's Acco ^t . ag ^t . Benj ^a . Haslewood dec ^d . for the years 1764. 1765. 1766, 1767 and 1768 769 ^{1b} Tob ^o . at 2 ^d	6 8 2
To M ^r . John Brown, Collector for Maj ^r . Thruston James, bal ^s . of his Tob ^o . Acco ^t . for Insolv ^s 38½ ^{1b} Tob ^o .	— 4 9¾
To M ^r . Benj ^a . Moore, for 2 Gall ^s . Molafses, for Stephen Jones	— 5 6
To Col. Burwell Bafsett Ch. warden, to pay for repairs done on the Glebe	10 — —
To the Church wardens, towards an Addition to the lower Church	75 — —
To the Church wardens, towards Erecting a workhouse	25 — —
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	£372 18 2½
Cred ^r .	
By M ^r . John Brown, Collector for Maj ^r . Thruston James £2 4 8	} 4 19 6
By M ^r . William Armistead Collector 2 14 10	
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	367 18 8½
Deb ^r .	
To 6 ⌘ Cent. for Collecting £367 18 8½	22 1 6¾
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	£390 — 2¾
Cred ^r .	
By 1133 Tithes at 6 ^s 9½ ^d (or 68 ^{1b} Tob ^o . at the Option of the payer)	384 14 11½
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Due to the Collector	5 5 3¼

Or	Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
		lb Tob ^o .
To the above	£384 14 11½ to purchase	Tob ^o . at
	10/ ₤ C ^t .	76949½
Deposited in the Collector's hands		94½
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		77044
Cred ^r .		lb. Tob ^o .
By 1133 Tithes at 68 ^b .	Tob ^o . (or 6 ^e . 9½ ^d .	77044
	the Option of the payer)	

Col. Burwell Bafsett, and Maj^r. Thruston James, are Continued Church wardens, for the ensuing year.

M^r. William Armistead D Sheriff in New Kent, is appointed Collector of the Parish Levies the ensuing year, on giving Bond and Security as Usual.

Order'd that the Church wardens Advertise an Addition and repairs to the lower Church in this Parish.

Order'd that the Churchwardens Rent, or build a work-house, for the poor of this Parish, at the Expencc thereof; and that they also purchase necessaries for the poor.

M^r. Armistead Rufsell, and M^r. William Hankin, are Chosen Vestrymen, in the room of M^r. Richard Allen dec^d, and M^r. John Townes, who is removed out of the Parish.

Burnal Rufsell, is Chosen Sexton, at the lower Church, in the room of Richard Linsey, who resign'd that Office

Sign'd by P. Davies Rector
 Bur^l. Bafsett
 Thruston James } Church wardens.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark O' the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the upper Church, the 31st. day of October 1774

Present

The Rev. M^r. Price Davies, Rector
 Col. Burwell Bafsett, } Church wardens,
 Maj^r. Thruston James, }
 Maj^r. William Armistead Cap^t. Richmond Allen, and
 Cap^t. William Richardson M^r. William Hankin.
 M^r. James Hockaday

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy
 Blisland Parish Deb^r.

	1b Tob ^o .
To the Rev. M ^r . Price Davies, Rector, his Salary 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o , To 4 ⌘ Cent. on d ^o . for Cask 640 ^{lb} . and 4 ⌘ Cent. on d ^o . for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb}	17280
To 6 ⌘ Cent. for Collecting 17280 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	1036
	18316
D ^o . Cred ^r . By 1071 Tithes at 17 ^{lb} Tob ^o . ⌘ Poll	18207
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1774 October 31st. Blisland Parish Deb^r.

To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church, and Vestry	£ 15 — —
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church	10 — —
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church	5 — —
To Burnal Rufsell, Sexton at the lower Church	5 — —
To Col. Burwell Bafsett, Churchwarden, for four Communion, for the upper Church	5 — —
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, Churchwarden, for four Communion, for the lower Church	5 — —

To M ^r . Ben. Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes 20 ^b . Tob°. at 1½ ^d	— 2 6
To Col. William Clayton, for two Copies of the List of Tithes 40 ^b . Tob°. at 1½ ^d	— 5 —
To M ^r . George Bridges, for maintaining Thomas Linsey	8 — —
To M ^r . William Brown, for 19½ Bushels of Corn for the Widow Banks, and 5 Bushels of Corn, for William Swiney at 12/6 } ⊘ barrel }	3 1 3
To M ^r . Benjamin Moor, for 2 Gallons of Molasses, for Stephen Jones	— 5 6
To the Churchwardens, for Susannah Sanders' Child	3 — —
To Joel Willis and wife, for Carrying Eliz ^a . Pond's Child to Col. Robert Carter's, in Westmoreland County, and for their trouble with Mary Thomson, in her Sicknefs }	3 10 —
To Mildred Thomas, for the maintainance of Philemon Chandler's Son Philemon	3 — —
To M ^r . William Hankin, for 3½ Bar ^a . Corn for Kirby Washer, at 12/6, and 1 Bar ^l . of Corn For William Banks at 11/	2 14 9
To the Churchwardens, for the maintainance of two of Jefse Hall's Children one year	8 — —
To M ^{rs} . Eleanor Allen, for the Rent of her Land to Stephen Jones	3 10 —
To M ^r . Daniel Slater, for a Bar ^l . of Corn, for Patience Linsey	— 12 6
To William Jennings, for maintaining a Child of Eliz ^a . Williamson's, and a Child of Mildred Jennings's }	6 — —

To Rachel Wall, for maintaining a Child of John Wall dec ^d	3 10 —
To M ^r . David Lewis's Acco ^t . for Sundries	1 3 1½
To Julius Allen, for a Barrel of Corn, for Stephen Jones in 1772	— 15 —

Debt Carried forward £ 92|| 9|| 7½

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1774 October 31st. Blisland Parish Deb^t.

To Debt brought forward	£ 92 9 7½
To M ^r . Charles Hankin, for a Barrel of Corn, for Rachel Wall	— 12 6
To M ^r . William Armistead Jun ^r . D. Sheriff, and Collector, the bal ^e . of his Acco ^t	8 8 9¼
To Col. Burwell Bafsett, towards an addition to the lower Church	94 — —

	195 10 10¾
To 6 Ⓕ Cent. for Collecting	£ 195 10 10¾
	11 14 7¾

	207 5 6½
Deposited in the Collector's hands	4 7

	£ 207 10 1½
Blisland Parish	Cred ^t .
By 1071 Tithes at 3 ^s 10½ ^d Ⓕ Poll	£ 207 10 1½

Cap^t. William Richardson, and Cap^t. Richmond Allen are chosen Churchwardens, for the ensuing year, in the room of Col. Burwell Bafsett, and Maj^r. Thruston James, and Sworn accordingly.

Cap^t. William Richardson Church warden, is Chosen Col-

lector of the Parish Levies the ensuing year, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Sign'd by Pryse Davies Rector
 W^m. Richardson } Churchwardens
 Richmond Allen }

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark o' the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the lower Church the 30th. day of October 1775.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Pryse Davies, Rector

Cap^t. William Richardson, } Churchwardens.
 Cap^t. Richmond Allen, }

Maj^r. Thruston James, M^r. Bartholomew Dandridge,
 Col. Burwell Bafsett, and
 Maj^r. William Armistead M^r. William Hankin.
 M^r. James Hockaday,

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy, and to appoint Procefsioners.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^t .	lb Tob ^o .
To the Rev. M ^r . Pryse Davies Rector, his Salary		
16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . To 4 ⌘ Cent. on d ^o . for Cask 640 ^{lb}		
To 4 ⌘ Cent on d ^o for Shrinkage 640 ^{lb}		17280
To 6 ⌘ Cent on 17280 ^{lb} Tob ^o . for Collecting		1036
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		18316
Blisland Parish	Cred ^t .	
By 1075 Tithes at 17 ^{lb} Tob ^o . ⌘ Poll	18275 ^{lb} Tob ^o .	
Due to the Collector	41	
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Blisland Parish	Deb ^r
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church, and Vestry	£ 15 — —
To Cap ^t . Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church	10 — —
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church	5 — —
To Bernal Rufsell's Estate, for Serving as Sexton at the lower Church	5 — —
To Cap ^t . Richmond Allen, Ch. warden, for four Communiones for each Church	10 — —
To M ^r . Benjamin Waller, Clark of James City County Court, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	— 2 6
To M ^r . George Bridges, for the maintainance of Thomas Linsey	8 — —
To Elizabeth Sanders, for keeping and maintaining Susannah Sanders's child	3 — —
To M ^r . John Hockaday, for a Coffin for, and burying Elizabeth Cumbo	1 — —
To Bernal Rufsell's Estate, for the maintainance of two of Jefse Hall's children	8 — —
To M ^r . John Allen, for the Rent of Land, to Stephen Jones	3 10 —
To Thomas Wilks for the maintainance of Thomas, and Joseph Smith, Orphans of Thomas Smith dec'd from the 4 th . of April	5 — —
To Amelia Thomas, for maintaining and Schooling Philemon Chandler, Son of Philemon Chandler	6 — —
To John Valentine, for maintaining and Schooling William Smith, Son of Thomas Smith dec'd, from the 4 th . of April at £6 5 ³ / ₄ Annum	3 10 7

To Prudence Odal, for the maintainance of Mary Thomson		4 — —
To M ^r . M ^r . John Brown, Collector, his Cash Acco ^t . for Insolvents return'd	£3 16 9½}	
To d ^o . his Tob ^o . Acco ^t . for In- solvents and 109 ^{1b} due at laying the Levy Last year included, is 466 ^{1b} Tob ^o . at 20/	} 4 13 2¼}	8 -9 11¾
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To 6 ⌘ Cent. for Collecting	£95 13 —¾	5 14 9¼
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		£101 7 10
Deposited in the Collector's hands		10 2¼
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		£101 18 —¼
Blisland Parish	Cred ^r .	
By 1075 Tithes at 1 ^a 10¾ ^d ⌘ Poll		£101 18 —¼

M^r. William Smith, is chosen a Vestryman, in the room of Cap^t. Richardson Henley, who is removed out of the Parish; and M^r. Silvanus Prince, is chosen a Vestryman, in the room of M^r. John Shermer dec'd.

Cap^t. William Richardson, and Cap^t. Richmond Allen, are continued Churchwardens, for the ensuing year.

Dudley Williams is chosen Collector of the Parish Levies the ensuing year, on giving Bond and Security, as usual.

Signed by

Pryse Davies, Rector
William Richardson } Church wardens.
Richmond Allen }

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark o' the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church the 29th. day of July 1776.

Present the Rev. Pryse Davies, Rector, Cap^t. William Richardson, and Cap^t. Richmond Allen Church wardens, Major Thruston James, Col. Burwell Bafsett, Cap^t. James Hockaday, Cap^t. Edward Power, and M^r. William Hankin.

This Vestry proceeds to examine the Addition to the lower Church in this Parish, built by M^r. Daniel Lyon, which he agreed with this Vestry to do, and for the performance of which entered into Articles of agreement with Col. Burwell Bafsett, and Major Thruston James, the then Church wardens of this Parish the day of 1774. The said Vestry agrees with M^r. William Mofs, Executor of the abovesaid Daniel Lyon deceas'd to receive the said Addition; and the said William Mofs agrees to and with the said Vestry, to repaint the inside of the Windowsashes, the Door, and Eaves of the said Addition, and to reshingle the the valleys of the Roof if necessary. And the said Vestry agrees that Col. Burwell Bafsett pay the said William Mofs the balance due to the said Daniel Lyon's Estate, for the said Addition.

Signed by Pryse Davies Rector

William Richardson }
Richmond Allen } Church wardens

Test

Dudley Williams Clark of the Vestry.

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 28th. day of April 1777.

Present

The Rev. M^r. Pryse Davies, Rector,
 Capt. Richmond Allen, Church warden.
 Maj^r. Thruston James, Capt. Edward Power,
 Col. Burwell Bafsett, M^r. William Hankin
 Capt. James Hockaday, Capt. Silvanus Prince, and
 M^r. Armistead Rufsell

The Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.
 Blisland Parish Deb^r.

To the Rev. M ^r . Pryse Davies, Rector, his Salary	16000 ^{lb}	
Tob ^o . for the year 1776		
To 4 p Cent. on 16000 ^{lb} Tob ^o . for Cask	00640	
To 4 p Cent. on d ^o . for Shrinkage	00640	
To his Salary from Octo ^r . 15 th . till Dec ^r . 31 st . at 17280 ^{lb} p Ann	03645	
		20925 Tob ^o .
at 20/ p 100 ^{lb}		£209 5 —
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the upper Church and Vestry, till the last day of December 1776 at £15 p Annum		17 10 —
To Capt Richardson Henley, Clark of the lower Church till the last day of Decem- ber 1776 at £10 p Annum		11 13 4
To John Yates, Sexton at the upper Church		5 — —
To Rebecca Rufsell, Sextonefs at the lower Church		5 — —
To d ^o for maintaining two of Jefse Hall's Children		8 — —
To Capt. William Richardson, for 7 Com- munions, for the two Churches		8 15 —

To M ^r . Benjamin Waller, for a Copy of the List of Tithes	— 2 6
To Capt. Richmond Allen, for 4 Communion for the two Churches, since last Octo- ber	5 — —
To M ^r . John Allen, for the Rent of his Plan- tation to Stephen Jones	3 10 —
To M ^r . George Bridges, for maintaining Thomas Linsey	8 — —
Debt carried forward	£281 15 10

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Blisland Parish

Deb^r.1777 April 28th.

To Debt bro ^t . forward from the other side	£281 15 10
To Elizabeth Feare, for maintaining Dorril Feare, Orphan of Hamner Feare, dec ^d	4 — —
To Capt. Richmond Allen, for M ^{rs} . Mary } Hogg's maintaining a Child of Thomas } Smith dec ^d . till this time at £5 p } Annum }	7 10 —
To Thomas Wilks, for maintaining two of Tho ^s . Smith's Children till Octo ^r . last	10 — —
To Prudence Odell, for maintaining Mary } Thomson from October 1775 till this } time at £4 p Annum }	6 — —
To M ^r . William Tyree, for a Coffin for Isaac Fox, and a d ^o . for his Daughter	1 10 —
To Turner Cumbo, for maintaining two of } George Jennings's Children a year, at } £5 each }	10 — —
To the Estate of M ^r . Danel Lyon, dec ^d . for making a Sashwindow for the upper Church	1 10 —

To the Estate of M ^r . Daniel Lyon dec ^d . for a mistake in his calculation when he undertook the Addition to the lower Church in 1774	40 — —
To M ^r . John Lewis's Acco ^t for Sundries in 1773 and 1774	2 4 5¼
To Elizabeth Sanders, for maintaining Laney Jones Sanders, Child of Susannah Sanders dec ^d . 8 Months, and for his Funeral charges	4 19 2
To Maj ^r . Thruston James, for 2 Bar ^s . Corn, for Kirby Washer	1 5 —
To M ^r . John Brown, for half a Bar ^s . Corn, for William Sweeny in 1774	— 6 3
To £11 of Thomas Rawson's Acco ^t of £15, for boarding Richmond Jeffers, making his Clothes, and funeral charges	11 — —
To John Manning, for maintaining George Jennings's daughter Priscilla till this time	6 — —
	<hr/> 388 — 8¼
Cred ^r . By bal ^s . due from Dudley Williams Col- lector ☉ Acco ^t	8 18 4
	<hr/> 379 2 4¼
Deb ^r . To 6 ☉ Cent. for collecting £379 2 4½	22 14 11½
	<hr/> 401 17 3¾
Deposited in the Collector's hands	000 14 8¼
	<hr/> £402 12 —
Cred ^r . By 1098 Tithes at 7 ^s 4 ^d ☉ Poll	£402 12 —

M^r. John Timberlake is chosen a Vestryman, in the room of M^r. William Smith, who is removed out of the Parish.

Capt. James Hockaday, and M^r. William Hankin are chosen Church wardens in the room of Capt. William Richardson, and Capt. Richmond Allen, and accordingly sworn.

Dudley Williams is chosen Collector of the Parish Levies, on giving Bond and Security.

Sign'd by P. Davies, Rector

Jam^s. Hockaday }
W^m Hankin } Church wardens.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 23^d. day of Feb^r. 1779.

Present the Rev. M^r. Pryse Davies, Rector, Capt. James Hockaday, the hon. Bartholomew Dandridge Esq. Capt. Richmond Allen, Capt. Edward Power, M^r. George Bridges, M^r. John Timberlake, M^r. Andrew Banks, M^r. John Lewis, and M^r. John Goddin.

N. B. The above Vestry was chosen by the freeholders of Blisland Parish, pursuant to an Act of Assembly, which dissolved the late Vestry of this Parish, agreeable to a petition from the inhabitants of the Parish: in which Election Col. Burwell Bassett, Capt. Silvanus Prince, and M^r. William Allen, were chosen Vestrymen also with the nine abovementioned, but did not attend Vestry this day.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy for the years 1777 and 1778.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To Doct ^r . Elisha Hall, of his Acco ^t . of } £30 17 for visits and medicines for } Thomas Smith, Orphan of Thomas } Smith dec ^d . from Dec ^r . 1777 } £ 20 17 —	
To D ^o . 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ Cent. on £20 17 two years	2 1 8

To M ^r . William Tyree, for a Coffin for the abovesaid Orphan Thomas Smith	1 — —
To Capt. James Hockaday, for 2½ Barrels of Corn, for Widow Merriman 30/	3 15 —
To John Valentine for maintaining and schooling William Smith, Orphan of Thomas Smith dec ^d	3 — —
To Mary Green, for maintaining Elizabeth Hall and her child a year to Oct ^r . 12 th . 1778	50 — —
To Thomas Wilks, for maintaining Thomas Smith, Orphan of Thomas Smith dec ^d . from Octo ^r . 1776 till May 1778. includ- ing funeral charges	35 — —
To D ^o . for maintaining Joseph Smith, Or- phan of Thomas Smith dec ^d . from Oct ^r . 1776 till this 23 ^d . of February 1778	25 — —
To M ^r . George Bridges, for maintaining Thomas Linsey a year to Octo ^r . 1777	8 — —
To M ^r . William Fisher, for maintaining Thomas Linsey a year to Octo ^r . 1778	10 — —
To John Allen, for rent to Stephen Jones 1777	£3 10
To D ^o . for rent to 1778	£4
and half a Barrel of Corn to d ^o . 10/	8 — —
To Jeremiah Wade, for rent to Widow Merri- man 1777 £2. for d ^o . to d ^o . 1778 £3	5 — —
To Prudence Odell, for maintaining Mary Thomson, from April 28 th . 1777 till this time	30 — —
To the hon Barth ^w . Dandridge, for 100 ^{lb} Bacon for widow Merriman	12 10 —
To John Brooker, for maintaining Elizabeth Hall and her child two months	16 12 8

To M ^r . John Timberlake, for maintaining } Isaac Fox, Orphan of Isaac Fox dec ^d . } from April 1 st 1777 till Feb ^r . 6 th 1778 }	6 — —
To M ^r . John Cowles, for maintaining Wil- liam Smith, Orphan of Thomas Smith dec ^d . from April 1777 till January 24 th 1778	3 15 —
Carried forward	£240 11 4

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1779 Feb ^r . 23 ^d	Blisland Parish	Deb ^r	
To debt brought forward			£240 11 4
To Lucy Yates, for maintaining Francis Oak- ley 14 Months			12 — —
To John Manning, for maintaining Priscilla, } Orphan of George Jennings dec ^d . from } April 1777 till this time }			15 — —
To John Manning, for maintaining Thomas } Merriman, Orphan of James Merriman } dec ^d . from Octo ^r . last till this time }			5 — —
To Rebecca Rufsell's Estate, for maintain- ing two of Jefse Hall's Children from } Octo ^r . 1776 till Dec ^r . 1778 }			25 — —
To Turner Cumbo, for maintaining one of } George Jennings's Children the year } 1777 }			5 — —
To the Churchwardens, to pay M ^r . William } Norvell his Acco ^t . of £18. and Cole } Ashlock his Acco ^t . of £25, both for } Phillely Jones and her three Children, } if the said Wardens do find that the } said Phillely Jones belongs to this Par- } ish, and the Acco ^{ts} . are just }			43 — —

To the Churchwardens, for the use of the Parish, if found necessary	150 — —
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry	20 — —
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	515 11 4
Cred ^r . By Dudley Williams Collector, bal ^s . of his Acco ^t .	1 4 2
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	514 7 2
D ^r . To 6 ⌘ Cent. for collecting £514 7 2	30 17 2
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	545 4 4
Deposited in the Collector's hands	3 18 8
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	£549 3 —
Cred ^r . By 1046 Tithes at 10/6	549 3 —

Ordered that the Churchwardens meet and proportion the Parish Levy as soon as they conveniently can.

Mefs^{rs}. John Timberlake, and John Lewis are chosen Churchwardens the present year.

Dudley Williams is chosen Collector of the Parish Levies, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Signed by P. Davies, Rector

John Timberlake }
John Lewis } Church wardens.

Pursuant to an Order of Vestry dated the 23^d. day of February 1779, we the subscribers have proportioned the Parish Levy, and find it to be ten shillings and six pence ⌘ Tithe, and a depositum of £3||18||8 deposited in the

Collector's hands, to be accounted for at the laying the next parish Levy.

March 18th. 1779 Signed by

John Timberlake.

John Lewis.

Test,

Dudley Williams, Clark o' the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the lower Church the 8th. day of November 1779

Present the Rev. M^r. Pryse Davies, Rector, M^r. John Timberlake Churchwarden, Capt. James Hockaday, Capt. Richmond Allen, Capt. Edward Power, M^r. George Bridges, Capt. William Allen, M^r. Andrew Banks, and M^r. John Goddin.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy

Blisland Parish

Deb^r.

To William Tyree, for maintaining James Merriman 4 Months at £40 p Ann	£ 13 6 8
To Edmund Taylor, for maintaining Isaac Fox, a year to February 6 th . 1779	8 — —
To Ditto for Ditto Ditto from Feb ^r . 6 th . till Nov ^r . 8 th . 1779	22 10 —
To William Fisher, for maintaining Thomas Linsey from Octo ^r . 8 th . 1778 till this 8 th . of November 1779. at £40 p Annum	} 43 6 8
To John Ames, for maintaining Elizabeth Hall from the 23 ^d . of Feb ^r . last till this 8 th . of Nov ^r . at £100 p Ann ^m . £70 13 8 deduct for half a barrel of Corn of the Ch. ward ^s .	
To Prudence Odell, for maintaining Mary Thomson from Feb ^r . 23 ^d . till this time	7 10 } 63 3 8
	85 — —

To John Manning, for maintaining a Child of George Jennings dec ^d . and a Child of James Merriman dec ^d . from Feb ^r . 23 ^d last till this time	70 13 8
To Jeremiah Martin, for maintaining Dorril Feare 16 months in the years 1776 and 1777	8 — —
To Ditto, the half of 31/6 for 3 Parish levies overcharged for 1777 and 1778, they being out of the Parish in 1777	15 9
To Daniel Slater the half of 21/ for 2 Parish levies in the same manner	10 6
To Thomas Potter the half of 21/ for 2 Ditto Ditto	10 6
To John Gadberry the half 21/ for 2 Ditto Ditto	10 6
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Thus far was levied November the 8 th . 1779	£ 316 7 11

1780 February the 3^d. the Vestry met again at the lower Church

Present The Rev M^r. Pryse Davies Rector, Mejs^{rs}. John Timberlake, and John Lewis, Church wardens, Capt. Richmond Allen, M^r. George Bridges, Capt. William Allen, M^r. Andrew Banks, M^r. John Goddin, and M^r. Edmund Hockaday, who was chosen a Vestryman the 8th. day of November 1779, in the room of Capt. Silvanus Prince, who refused to qualify as a Vestryman.

This Vestry proceeds to finish laying the Parish Levy which was begun the 8th. day of November last (as above) and to appoint Procefsioners in the several districts in this Parish

The above £316||7||11 carried forward and charged.

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1780 February 3 ^d Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To debt levied Nov ^r . 8 th . 1779 brought forward	£ 316 7 11
To M ^r . John Lewis, Churchwarden, the balance of his Acco ^t	123 10 —
Present Capt. James Hockaday.	
To John Manning, for maintaining Thomas Merriman Orphan of James Merriman dec ^d . from the 8 th . of Nov. last till the 15 th . of January last	} 10 — —
To Lucy Yates, for maintaining Francis Oak- ley, from February the 23 ^d . last, and put- ting him to School 4 Months	
To John Woodward, for maintaining Mary Austin from January the 10 th . till this 3 ^d . of February 1780 . . . 24 days	} 10 — —
Present Capt. Edward Power.	
To John Ames, for keeping Elizabeth Hall, till the 28 th . of this Inst. (Feb ^r .) the bal ^s . of £100 (£70 13 8 being levied Nov. 8 th . last)	} 29 6 4
To Dudley Williams, Clerk of the Vestry	
To the Churchwardens, for contingent charges	100 — —
	350 — —
	<u>£ 989 4 3</u>
C ^r . By Dudley Williams, Collector, bal ^s . of his Acco ^t . due the Parish	98 — 10
	<u>891 3 5</u>
D ^r . To 6 p Cent. for collecting £891 3 5	53 9 4
	<u>944 12 9</u>
Deposited in the Collector's hands, to be accounted for at laying the levy	32 15 3
	<u>£ 977 8 —</u>
C ^r . By 1086 Tithes at 18/	<u>£ 977 8 —</u>

M^r. John Timberlake, and M^r. John Lewis, are continued Church wardens, the present year.

Ordered that the Church wardens settle with M^r. William Norvell, for the maintainance of Philarity Jones, and her children.

M^r. John Timberlake, Sheriff of New Kent County, is appointed Collector of the Parish levies this present year, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Sign'd by P. Davies Rector.

John Timberlake }
John Lewis } Churchwardens.

Test

Dudley Williams Clerk of the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the lower Church the 20th. day of December 1780.

Present Mejs^{rs}. John Timberlake, and John Lewis, Churchwardens, Capt. James Hockaday, M^r. George Bridges, Capt. William Allen, Capt. Andrew Banks, Capt. John Goddin, and M^r. Edmund Hockaday.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish

Deb^r.

To William Fisher, for maintaining Thomas Linsey from March 1 st . till this time, at £400 p Annum	} £ 330 — —
To William Ammons, for maintaining Elizabeth Hall, from Feb ^r . 14 th . 1780, till Feb ^r . 14 th . 1781	} 580 — —
To Prudence Odell, for maintaining Mary Thomson a year, to Feb ^r . 3 ^d . 1781	} 300 — —
To John Manning, for maintaining a Child of George Jennings dec ^d . a year from Nov ^r . 8 th . 1779	} 300 — —

To Warwick Woodward, for maintaining a Child of James Meriman dec ^d	306 — —
To M ^r . John Lewis, Churchwarden, the bal ^s . of his Acco ^t	189 10 —
To M ^r . William Norvel's Acco ^t . for Corn, for Philarity Jones, and her three children, in 1778, levied in the Churchwarden's hands, till the said Wardens were satisfied whether the said Philarity Jones belonged to this Parish, which not being determin'd in 1778, the Collector did not pay, and credited the Parish for in his Acco ^t . £ 18. eight prices being allowed in consideration of depreciation of money in two years, and not being paid when required	144 — —
To Cole Ashlock's Acco ^t . for Corn for the said Philarity Jones, and her three Children, levied at the same time, under the same circumstances, which the Collector did not pay, and Credited the Parish for £ 25. allowed as above	200 — —
To James Jones, for maintaining Richard Hall, a year to Feb ^y . 14 th . 1781	332 — —
To William Jennings, for maintaining Ann, a Child of Susannah Curle	200 — —
To M ^r . John Timberlake, Churchwarden, bal ^s . of his Acco ^t .	170 16 8
To Ditto his Acco ^t . for Mary Austin	250 — —
To Joseph Hix, for maintaining Hardiman, a Child of Preston Hix dec ^d	150 — —
To John Allen, for rent of his land to Stephen Jones £ 100, last year £ 30	130 — —

Capt. John Goddin, and Capt. Andrew Banks were chosen Churchwardens in the stead of Mefs^{rs}. John Timberlake, and John Lewis.

This Vestry is adjourned till Wednesday the 3^d. of January next. But, as the militia of James City, and New Kent Counties were called on duty at that time, it prevented the Vestry's meeting till January 30th. the proceedings of which, being annexed to this, to conclude laying the Parish Levy, is carried over

Debt levied Dec^r. 20th. 1780 carried over to the other charges of January 30th. 1781 £ 3582|| 6|| 8

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at M^r. Adam Birds, the 30th. day of January 1781.

Present Mefs^{rs}. John Timberlake, and John Lewis, Churchwardens, James Hockaday, George Bridges, William Allen, Andrew Banks, and John Goddin, Gent.

This Vestry proceeds to finish laying the Parish levy, which begun the 20th. day of December 1780.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To debt laid Dec ^r . 20 th . 1780, and brought over	£ 3582 6 8
To M ^r . John Timberlake, a further allowance for Mary Austin	150 — —
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry	500 — —
To the Churchwardens, for contingent charges	600 — —
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	4832 6 8
To 6 ₤. Cent. for collecting	£4832 6 8 289 18 9½
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	£ 5122 5 5½

C ^r . By 1020 Tithes at £5	5100
Due to the Collector	22 5 5½

Davy, a Negroman, belonging to M^r. John Timberlake, is exempted from paying his Parish levy, in consideration of his being unable to labour for many years past.

Dudley Williams, is appointed Collector of the Parish levies, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Signed by

John Goddin }
Andrew Banks } Churchwardens.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry.

Davy a Negroman belonging to M^r John Timberlake is exempted from paying any taxes the present year

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at M^r. Adam Byrds thee 3^d. day of November 1781.

Present Andrew Banks, and John Goddin, Gent. Churchwardens, James Hockaday, George Bridges, Edward Power, John Lewis, and William Allen, Gent.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To M ^r . George Bridges, for maintaining Thomas Linsey, from March 1 st . till this time at £8 Ⓕ Ann.	5 8 8
To Ditto for a Coat for Ditto	— 14 —
To John Ames, for maintaining Elizabeth Hall from Feb ^r . 14 th . till this time at £5 Ⓕ Ann	3 12 4

To Prudence Odell, for maintaining Mary Thomson, from Feb ^y . 3 ^d . till this time at £6 Ⓕ Ann	4 9 9
To John Manning, for maintaining a Child of George Jennings dec ^d	4 — —
To Randolph Woodward, for maintaining Thomas, an Orphan of James Merriman dec ^d . from Jan ^y . 1 st @ £3	2 10 5½
To John Allen, for rent of his land, to Stephen Jones	5 — —
To M ^r . William Norvel, for 5 Bar ^s . and 4 Bush ^s . Corn, for Stephen Jones, and Philarity Jones @ 10/	2 18 —
To Joseph Hix, for clothing for Preston Hixes child	— 10 —
To Julius Curle, for a Coffin, for Ann Manning	— 10 —
To William Jennings, for maintaining two (Strange) Children from Sep ^y . 1 st . till this time at £4 Ⓕ Ann. each	1 8 —
To Sarah Bradley, for maintaining two (Ditto) Ditto the same time, at the same rate	1 8 —
To James Jones, for maintaining Richard Hall, a Child of Eliz ^a . Hall's from Feb. 14 th . till this time @ £4	2 18 —
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Carried to the Parish charge laid by the Vestry the 15 th . of Octo ^r . 1782	£35 7 2½

1781 Nov. 3^d. Capt. John Goddin rendered an Acco^t. to the Vestry, of what money he received that was levied in the Church warden's hands, for contingent charges, the 30th. day of January 1781

To wit

To paid Randolph Woodward	£ 80 — —
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To paid Nance Hitchcock, to buy Corn, for Mourning Hawkins	120 — —
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	£ 200 — —
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C. By Cash rec ^d . of Dudley Williams Collector	£ 200 — —
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John Goddin, and Andrew Banks, Gent. are continued Church wardens, the ensuing year.

Order'd that the Church wardens, and Clark of the Vestry meet, as soon as the Lists of Tithes can be got, and proportion the Parish Levy: and that they proportion the said Parish Levy that hath been this day levied in Specie, in paper Currency, agreeable to the Value that the grand Jury at the succeeding general Court shall settle it at.

Dudley Williams is appointed Collector of the Parish Levies the ensuing year, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Sign'd by

John Goddin }
Andrew Banks } Church wardens.

N. B. The above charge of £35||7||2½ was not proportion'd, because the List of Tithes was not taken, as the interruption of the English Army, in this part of the State prevented it. And the said charge of £35||7||2½ is carried over, and added to the charge levied by the Vestry the 15th. day of October 1782. and proportion'd with it.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry.

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish, at the lower Church the 15th. day of October 1782.

Present John Goddin, and Andrew Banks, Gent. Church wardens, James Hockaday, George Bridges, John Timberlake, John Lewis, Edward Power, and Edmund Hockaday Gent.

The Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

Blisland Parish

Deb^r.

To the amount of Acco ^t . levied Nov. 3 ^d . 1781 being never proportion'd, collected nor paid, brought over from the other side	35 7 2½
To M ^r . George Bridges, for maintaining Thomas Linsey from Nov. 3 ^d 1781 till Jan ^y . 1 st . 1782	2 11 4
To William Fisher, for maintaining Thomas Linsey from January 1 st . till this time at £12 ☞ Ann	9 10 —
To John Ames, for maintaining Eliz ^a . Hall, from Nov. 3 ^d . 1781, till Feb. 14 th . 1782	4 — —
To William Ammons, for maintaining Eliz ^a . Hall, from Feb. 14 th . till this time at £15 ☞ Ann	10 — —
To Prudence Odell, for maintaining Mary Thomson, part of the year	6 10 —
To John Manning, for maintaining a Child of George Jennings dec ^d	4 — —
To Randolph Woodward, for maintaining a Child of James Merriman dec ^d	1 10 —
To M ^r . William Norvel's Acco ^t . of 88½ Bush ^a . Corn @ 2/6 for Jones, and Philarity Jones	11 1 3
To James Jones, for maintaining Richard, a Child of Eliz ^a . Hall, from Nov. 3 ^d . till this time	4 — —
To William Jennings, for two Strange Chil- dren, from Nov. 3 ^d . 1781 till Feb. 22 ^d 1782 @ £14 ☞ Ann	4 5 11

To Sarah Bradley, for two Ditto . . . from Ditto, til . . Ditto, at . . Ditto	4 5 11
To John Allen, for Rent of his Land to Stephen Jones	5 — —
To Nance Hitchcock, for maintaining Mourn- ing Hawkins	5 — —
To Isham Christian, for four Barrels of Corn, for Nathan Hixes Children	3 — —
To Jamees Pride, for one Ditto . . . for . . Ditto	— 15 —
To Capt. Andrew Banks, for one Ditto . . . for . . . Ditto	— 15 —
To . . . Ditto, . . . for half a Bar ^l . Corn, for Philarity Jones	— 7 6
To the Churchwardens, for contingent charges	6 — —
To Dudley Williams, two years Salary as Clark of the Vestry	12 10 —
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	130 9 1½
C ^r . By Dudley Williams Collector, bal ^r . of his Acco ^t . £727 14 6½ paper money, re- duced to Specie according to the Scale of Depreciation for May 1781 at 150 for 1	4 17 —
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	125 12 1½
D ^r . To 6 $\frac{1}{9}$ Cent. for collecting £125 12 1½	7 10 8½
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	133 2 10
C ^r . By 964 Tithes at 2/9	132 11 —
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Due to the Collector	11 10

Col. Edward Power, and M^r. Edmund Hockaday, are
chosen Church wardens, in the room of Andrew Banks,
and John Goddin, Gent.

The Sheriffs of James City and New Kent Counties, are chosen Collectors of the Parish levies the ensuing year, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Sign'd by

Edward Power }
Edmund Hockaday } Church wardens

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark o' the Vestry

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the House of M^r Charles Harvey the 23^d. day of February 1784.

Present Edward Power, and Edmund Hockaday Gent. Churchwardens, James Hockaday, John Timberlake, Richmond Allen, Andrew Banks, William Allen, and John Goddin Gent.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy
Blisland Parish Deb^r.

To Moses Sweny, for maintaining Thomas Linsey, last year	£ 8 — —
To William Fisher, for maintaining Thomas Linsey two Months and a half in 1782	2 10 —
To William Ammons, for maintaining Eliz ^a . Hall, last year, and clothing her	15 — —
To Bennett Curle, for maintaining & clothing James Rawleigh, Orphan of Walter Rawleigh dec ^d	6 — —
To Mary Hix, for maintaining George Hix, Orphan of Nathan Hix dec ^d	6 — —
To Eliz ^a . Sanders, for her trouble with Sarah Glasebrook from Jan ^r . 8 th . to Mar. 8 th . and funeral charges	5 — —

To Jemima Curle, for maintaining & clothing } Cliffe Chandler, Orphan of David Chand- } ler dec ^a and putting him to School six } Months }	12 — —
To James Jones, for maintaining and clothing Richard Hall	5 — —
To M ^r Edmund Hockaday, for half a Bar ^l . Corn, for Sarah Glasebrook, when at M ^{rs} . Sanders's	— 7 6
To James Odell, for expences in burying Mary Thomson	2 — —
To Warwick Woodward, for maintaining Sarah Hix, Orphan of Sarah Hix a year	3 — —
To Capt. Andrew Banks, for two years rent of his plantation to Isaac Green	4 — —
To the Estate of Doc ^r . Andrew Anderson } dec ^a for his attendance on William Smith, } when his Arm was fractur'd and for medi- } cines }	5 7 6
To James Wade, for four Bar ^s . and a half of Corn, for Stephen Jones	3 7 6
Present the Hon'ble Bartholomew Dandridge Esq ^r .	
To Nance Hitchcock, for maintaining Mourn- ing Hawkins a year	6 — —
To John Manning, for maintaining a Child of George Jennings dec ^a	4 — —
To John Allen, for rent of his Land to Stephen Jones last year	5 — —
To David Williams, for maintaining four strange Children a Month in 1782	1 — —
To Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry	5 — —

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To 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ Cent. for collecting	£98 12 6	5 18 4
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		104 10 10
In the Collectors hands, to be accounted for in making up their Acco ^{ts} . with the Vestry		1 — 10
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	£ 105 11 8	
Cred ^r . By 905 Tithes at 2/4		£ 105 11 8

Col. Richmond Allen Sheriff, and Collector, render'd an Acco^t. of his part of the Parish Collection, by which there is £7||13||6 due to the Parish, which he is to pay to the Church Wardens.

The Parish Levy as above being 2/4 Cash, which every person is to pay for each Tithe in this Parish or 12^{lb} Tob^o. at the Option of the payer.

John Yates is exempted from paying his Parish Levy in future, on account of his age and inability.

M^r. David Lewis, and M^r. John James, are chosen Vestrymen in the room of M^r. George Bridges, who has resign'd, and M^r. John Lewis, who is removed out of the Parish.

N. B. The remaining part of this days proceedings is carried over.

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1784 February 23^d.

This days proceedings continued from the other side.

Col. Edward Power, and M^r. Edmund Hockaday, are continued Church Wardens this present year.

Col. Richmond Allen, Sheriff of New Kent County, and Capt. William Allen D. Sheriff of James City County are

appointed Collectors of the Parish Levies this present year, on giving Bond and security as usual.

Sign'd by

Edward Power }
Edmund Hockaday } Church Wardens.

Test

Dudley Williams Cl'k o' the Vestry

*O! Lord most holy and merciful God, look down with a compassionate eye upon the feeble tenements of mortality: thou knowest the frailties of human nature

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At a Vestry held for Blisland Parish at the upper Church the 30th. day of October 1784.

Present Edmund Hockaday Gent. Church Warden, James Hockaday, John Timberlake, Richmond Allen, John Goddin, David Lewis, and John James Gent.

This Vestry proceeds to lay the Parish Levy.

	Blisland Parish	Deb ^r .
To Martha Breeding, for the maint ^s . of Thomas Linsey from the last of Feb ^r . till this time £8 ☉ Ann		5 6 8
To John Ames, for the maint ^s . of Eliz ^a . Hall, from the last of Feb ^r . till this time at £15 ☉ Ann		10 — —
To Mary Banks, for the maint ^s . of George Hix, Orphan of Nathan Hix dec ^d . from the last of Feb ^r . till this time at £4 ☉ Ann		2 13 4
To James Jones, for the maint ^s . of Richard Hall, from the last of Feb ^r . till this time at £5 ☉ Ann		3 6 8

*Note! The following three lines are in a different hand.—C. G. C.

To Mary Hix, for the maint ^e . Sarah Hix, Orphan of Nathan Hix dec ^d	8 — —
To Capt. Andrew Banks, for the rent of his plantation to Isaac Green	2 — —
To John Shay, for the maint ^e . of John Walker, Orphan of Charles Walker about 4 Months	1 10 —
Present Col. Edward Power, Church Warden.	
To M ^r . Edmund Hockaday, Church Warden, the Balance of his Acco ^t	— 18 3
To <u>William Piggott</u> , for a Coffin for Isaac Green	1 — —
To William Norvel, his Acco ^t . for Corn, for sundry Persons	7 3 6
To James Norvel Walker, for 2½ Bushels of Corn, for Mary Perkins	— 12 6
To James Jennings, for the maint ^e . of Catharine Harvey, from the 23 ^d . of April till this time, at 20/ a Month (deducting 1 Months pay)	5 — —
To Rebecca Slater, for the hire of her Negrowoman to Isaac Green	4 — —
To Daniel Jones, for 2½ Bushels of Corn, for Philarity Jones	— 12 6
To Ditto, for 1 Bushel d ^e . for Mary Perkins	— 5 —
To John Allen, for rent of his Land to Stephen Jones	5 — —
To Obadiah Wilks's Estate, for 2 Levies, by Tithes wrong listed last year @ 2/4	— 4 8
To Nance Hitchcock, for maint ^e . of Mourning Hawkins, from the last of Feb ^y . till this time at £6 $\frac{3}{4}$ Ann	4 — —
To John Manning, for maint ^e . of Priscilla, Orphan of George Jennings from the last of Feb ^y . till this time, at £4 $\frac{3}{4}$ Ann	2 13 4

To Col. Edward Power, Collector for 1781, and 1782, the balance of his Acco ^t .	— 13 —
To Col. William Clayton, Cl. of New Kent Court, for a Copy of the List of Tithes 20 th Tob ^o	— 2 6
To Benjamin C. Waller, Cl. of James City Court, for a D ^o . 20 th . Tob ^o . @ 1½ ^d	— 2 6
To Dudley Williams, Cl. of the Vestry	5 — —
To be paid, by the Collectors, to the Church Wardens, for the use of the Parish	10 18 3
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	81 2 8
To 6 p Cent. for collecting £81 2 8	4 17 4¼
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	86 — —¼
Cred ^r . By 860 Tithes at 2/	86 — —

William Tinny, and James Ingram, are exempted from paying their Parish Levies, on account of their infirmit[]

David Lewis, and John James Gent. are chosen Church Wardens for the ensuing year, in the room of Edward Power, and Edmund Hockaday Gent.

The conclusion of this days proceedings is on the other side of this leaf.

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1784 October 30th.

The Sheriffs of James City, and New Kent Counties are appointed Collectors of the Parish Levies the ensuing year, on giving Bond and Security as usual.

Sign'd by

David Lewis }
Jn^o. James } Church Wardens.

Test

Dudley Williams, Clark of the Vestry

At a meeting of the former Vestry of Blifland Parrish at the upper Church Novm. 8. 1785

Present M^r. David Lewis Joⁿ. James Church Wardens, Cap^t. James Hockaday M^r. Joⁿ. Timberlake, Cap^t. Joⁿ. Goddin Collo Edw^d power & M^r. Edm^d. Hockaday

This vestry proceeds To Choose a Clark, Joⁿ. Bofswell Chose, C, of Vestry

This vestry proceeds to Lay the Arearages due from y^e s^a. Vestry agreeable to an act of asembly paj'd Oct^r. 18 1784

Blisland Parish	D ^r	£	S	D
To Martha Breeding for the ballc ^e . of her acc ^t . for maintain ^e . Tho ^s . Linsey from Oc ^t . till Feb ^y . 1785		2	13	4
To Mary Banks for ballc ^e . due her for maintain ^e . Ge ^o . Hicks Orphan of Nathan Hicks from Octo ^r . Till the Last of Feb ^y . 1785 =	£1	6 ^s	8 ^d	3
To James Jennings for maint ^e Cathr ⁿ Harvey 2 m ^o . £2			6	8
To Nance Hitchcock for Coffin for mourning Hawkings 15 ^s / To Jo ⁿ manning for maintaining Priscilla Orphan of Geo. Ginnings from October till the Las of Feb ^y . 1785	£1	6 ^s	8 ^d	2
			1	8
To John Walker for y ^e Rent of his place for Stephen Jones in the year 1785		5	—	—
To Jo ⁿ . Hankin for the rent of his place for Phillarity Jones £3	10 ^s			
To M ^r s Otey for for D ^o . to: Mary Pirkins £3 To John Shea for maintain ^e . John Walker		10	10	—
To William Norvel for Corn &C To Jones & Perkins		3	—	—

To Ja ^r . Odel for maintaing Betty Hall one year £10	To Edw ^d Farthing For maintain ^e . Orphan of Nathan Hicks One year £6	To George Ballof Coffin For Suckey Curle £1	To John Boswell as Clk of Vestry £1	18 — —
To Coll ^r . Will Clayton for List Tyths 2 ^s /6 ^d	To Ballc ^r . in Collectors hands 9 ^s 1½ ^d			— 11 7½
				£ 45 3 3½
				9 8 2¾
				35 15 0¾
To 6 ^{pp} . C ^r . for Collecting £35 15 ^s 0¾ ^d				02 2 11
				£ 37 17 11¾

C^r 1785

By the Ballc ^r of James City Collectors acc ^t in the hands of John James	£	S	d	
				1 2 4¾
By D ^r . in the hands of David Lewis				3 19 1½
By D ^r . in the hands of Newkent Collectors				4 6 9
				£ 9 8 2¾
By 933 Tythes at 9¾ ^d ^{pp}	£	S	d	37 17 3

The Sheriffs of N. Kent and James City County's are appointed Collectors of the Parrish Levy for the Enfuing year

David Lewis }
Jn^r. James } C W

Test

Jn^r. Boswell C. O. V.

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Pursuant to an Act of Assembly past at the City of Richmond the 17th of Nov^r. 1784 the Inhabetants of Blisland Parrish meet at M^r. Adams Byrds on Easter Munday being the 28th day of March 1785 and Elected the following Gent, To wit. as Vestrymen, Col. Burwell Bafsett The H[']ble B Dandridge Cap^t. James Hockaday Col. Richmond Allen M^r. Edmund Hockaday Col. Edward Power Cap^t. John Hockaday M^r. David Lewis M^r. John James Cap^t. John Goddin Cap^t. Andrew Banks and Cap^t. William Allen, we the Subscribers do agree to be conformable to the doctrine disciplin and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church Incoperated by a law Specify'd as above

Burwell Bafsett
James Hockaday
Richmond Allen
Edmund Hockaday
Edward Power,
John Hockaday.
John James

Burwell Bafsett Jr
Stanup Richardson
George Baker

David Lewis

At a Vestry held for Blisland Parrish at the upper Church the 7th day of May 1785.

Present The Rev^d M^r. Pryse Davies Rector Col. Burwell Bafsett Cap^t. James Hockaday Col. Richmond Allen M^r. Edmund Hockaday Col. Edward Power Cap^t. John Hockaday M^r. David Lewis and M^r. John James Gent

This Vestry Proceeds to Chose a Clark

Geo. Dillard is appointed Clark of the Vestry

M^r. David Lewis and M^r. John James Gent. is appointed Church wardens for the Ensuing year.

Col. Burwell Bafsett is appointed to represent the Parrish of Blisland in Convention with The Rev^d. M^r. Pryse Davies to be held at Richmond the 18th day of this Instant

M^r. William Armistead Sen^r. is Chosen a Vestryman in the roome of The Hble B. Dandridge dec^d

Sign'd by

Pryse Davies Rector

David Lewis

John James

} Church Wardens

Test

Geo. Dillard Clark of the Vestry

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At a vestry held for the Parrish of Blifsland at the Upper church October 11th. 1786

Present, The Revernd. Pries Davies M^r David Lewis Church Warden, Coll^o. Burwell Bafsett, M^r. Edward Hockaday, John Hockaday, Burwell Bafsett Junier George Baker & Stanup Richardson Members

This Vestry proceeds to the chosing of a Clark, John Bofswell chosen clark of The Vestry & Clark of the upper church; John Yates Chosen Sexton of upper Church

M^r. David Lewis & M^r. Stanup Richardson are appointed Collectors of the Subscription for 1785

M^r. Burwell Bafsett Jun^r. and M^r. Stanup Richardson are appointed Church wardens in the room of M^r. David Lewis and M^r. John James

Sign'd by { Pries Davies Minister
Burwell Bafsett } Church Wardens
Stanup Richardson }

Test

John Bofswell, C|| O|| Vestry

*John Taylor January

*John Augustine Taylor 1816

*William D Abbott, this day put his name upon this
B[]

*These entries following the official record were inserted later.—
C. G. C.

APPENDIX

CLERGYMEN

The following list contains the names of the ministers (incumbents of the parish and temporary supply preachers) who served Blisland Parish between 1721 and 1786. The numerals (in parentheses) preceding each clergyman's name indicate the number of the page in this volume on which the name first appears; the date (in parentheses) following the name indicates the year in which the clergyman is first mentioned in the Vestry Book.

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|-------|---------------------------|
| (1) | Taylor, Daniel (1721) |
| (39) | Mossom, ————— (1729) |
| (39) | Leneve, ————— (1729) |
| (40) | Thacker, Chicheley (1730) |
| (159) | Davies, Price (1763) |
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NOTES

Mossom, —————. The Rev. Mr. Mossom referred to on page 39 was, doubtless, the Rev. David Mossom, minister of St. Peter's Parish, New Kent County, from 1727 until his death, in 1767.

Leneve, —————. The Rev. Mr. Leneve referred to on page 39 was, doubtless, the Rev. Wm. Le Neve (entered Cambridge University in 1707; ordained in 1722), who was minister of James City Parish, James City County, from 1722 to 1737. In 1723 and again in 1726 he served as chaplain of the General Assembly of the Colony.

Mr. Mossom and Mr. Le Neve were engaged as temporary supply preachers for the two churches in Blisland Parish. As,

however, there is no record in the Vestry Book of any payment having been made them for services that they had rendered, it is entirely possible that the agreements made with them by the vestry of Blisland Parish never went into effect.

CLERKS OF THE VESTRY

The following list contains the names of the clerks of the vestry of Blisland Parish between 1721 and 1786. The numerals (in parentheses) preceding each clerk's name indicate the number of the page in this volume on which the name first appears as that of the clerk; the date (in parentheses) following the name indicates the year in which the clerk began to officiate as such.

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| (2) | Holdcraft (Holdcroft), Henry (1721) |
| (34) | Cooke, Francis (1728) |
| (82) | Williams, Dudley (1742) |
| (229) | Bosjwell (Boswell), John (1785) |
| (231) | Dillard, Geo. (1785) |
| (232) | Bosjwell, John (1786) |

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

The following list contains the names of the physicians and surgeons mentioned in this volume.

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| (8) | Burbidge, Robt. (1723) |
| (13) | Livingstone, Wm. (1724) |
| (19) | Brody, Jno. (1725) |
| (21) | Scott, Jno. (1725) |
| (35) | Jones, Philip (1728) |
| (83) | Arnott, Thos. (1742) |

- (117) Mackenzie, Ken. (1752)
 (118) Harwood, Wm. (1752)
 (142) Carter, ————— (1758)
 (146, 150) Harvey, Wm. (1759)
 (184) Pasteur, Wm. (1770)
 (191) Anderson, Andrew (1772)
 (208) Hall, Elisha (1779)

NOTES

Mackenzie, Ken. In the years 1741 to 1749 a Dr. Alexander Mackenzie was practicing medicine in the neighboring parish of Petsworth, Gloucester County. (See *Vestry Book of Petsworth Parish, Gloucester County, Virginia, 1677-1793*, pages 262 to 279) Query: Were Dr. Ken. Mackenzie and Dr. Alexander Mackenzie brothers?

Carter, —————. In the year 1773 a Dr. William Carter was practicing medicine in the neighboring parish of Petsworth, Gloucester County (See *Vestry Book of Petsworth Parish, Gloucester County, Virginia, 1677-1793*, p. 349)

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The following list contains the names of the ordinaries (inns or taverns) mentioned in this volume.

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NOTE

Chiswel's Ordinary was located about half-way between Williamsburg and the Pamunkey River on the main road running up the Peninsula. See Frontispiece Map.

ERRATA

- Page 2, line 21, "Rich^d: *Halfield*" should probably be "Rich^d: *Hatfield*."
- Page 42, line 22, "M^r *Tha* Williams" should be "M^r *Tho.* Williams."
- Page 69, line 7, "M^e John Dandridg" should be "M^r John Dandridg."
- Page 123, line 28, "Dudleyy Williams" should be "Dudley Williams."
- Page 142, line 2, "*Lest* of Tithes" should be "*List* of Tithes."
- Page 142, lines 22-23, "*supper* Church" should be "*upper* Church."
- Page 152, line 33, asterisk should be after "*Tharp*."
- Page 153, line 6, "To Mary Jones towards *his* maint^s" should be "To Mary Jones towards *her* maint^s."
- Page 218, lines 14-15, To the entry, "*Davy a Negroman belonging to M^r John Timberlake is exempted from paying any taxes the present year,*" there should have been added the note: "*This entry appears to be in a different handwriting from that of the rest of the page.*"

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