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requested by Col.° Wm. Hyde & Mr. John Bullen to have their names taken from the Subscription List for the support of a Minister of this Parish &c.

Mr. William Goldsmith is appointed to collect the money from the Subscribers for the Support of a Minister of this Parish &c. and to pay the same to Col.° James Brice who is requested to pay over to the Rev.d Mr. Thomas Gates so much as will make up with the money already recd by the said Mr. Thomas Gates the sum of 200£ a Year if as much can be collected for three years from the 14th. Day of July 1781 the time of his taking upon himself the Duties of a Clergyman in the said Parish taking a receit for what is paid Mr. Goldsmith to have two and a half p.r Cent Commission on the Money he may collect.

Mr. James Ringgold William Goldsmith and Cornelius Mills desire their names may be struck off the Subscription list for the Support of a Minister On Motion agreed that a Letter be written to the Rev.d Mr. Thomas Gates as follows.

St. Ann's Parish 17 July 1784.

Sir

Many of the Subscribers for the Support of a Minister of this Parish have discontinued their Subscriptions a List of whom you have enclosed. We believe the Reason for most withdrawing their Subscriptions is their having Subscribed more than they are well able to pay: however that was assigned by several of them.

As you are going to the Warm Springs & it has been reported that if your Health is not soon established you intend to leave the Continent We wish to know under all these Circumstances if you mean to continue as Minister of this Parish after this year that if you do not We may have an opportunity of engaging

another Minister in Time.

We have appointed Mr. William Goldsmith to collect the Money subscribed & have no doubt but in the Course of a day or two if you can wait so long We shall have it in our power to pay you something considerable. Mr. Goldsmith is to have 2 1/2 p.r cent on the money he collects.

We are Sir Yr.

Mo. obed.t Servts.

James Brice
T. Johnson Jr.
Ja. Ringgold
Tho. Hyde

To the Rev.d Mr. Gates.

List enclosed.

Tho.s Jennings Esq.r Col.° James Tootell Thomas Johnson jun.r Col.° James Brice, Col.° William Hyde, John Bullen, James Ringgold, Wm. Goldsmith and Cornelius Mills.

At a Meeting of the Vestry on Monday the 7th. of February 1785.

Were Present.

Col. James Tootel
Col. James Brice
Mr. Tho.s Johnson jun.r
Mr. James Ringgold
Mr. Thomas Hyde

} Vestrymen

Mr. William Goldsmith who was appointed to collect the Money from the Subscribers for the Support of a Minister &c. is directed to go to each and every of the Subscribers who have not paid their Subscriptions and to demand the payment thereof and on Refusal to pay, to Note their Reasons for Refusal.

The Board adjourns to the 21st. Instant.