

*The words
of the second Patent,
dated 1609.*

*The words
of the former Patent
of anno 1606.*

*Another necessary
we must do as we
have been done unto.*

his princely privileges and gracious grants under his great seal to all the undertakers: recording it also unto all ensuing posterities, *that he greatly affects the effectual prosecution and happy success of the said plantation, and commends the good desires of the undertakers, and grants these privileges for their encouragement in accomplishing so excellent a work that is so much pleasing to God and profitable to these kingdoms.* And in a former grant, *that his Majesty greatly commends and graciously accepts the undertakers desires for so noble a work, which by Gods blessing is like to tend to the great glory of his divine Majesty, in propagating of christian religion to such people as yet live in darkness and miserable ignorance of the true knowledge and worship of God.* If then his Majesty out of his duty to God, love of his religion, and care of their souls have thus put to his royal hand for the furtherance of this blessed and worthy work, who art thou that wilt be free from the bonds of this duty?

But besides this necessity of duty: another necessity in nature and reason lieth upon us: for the time was when we were savage and uncivil, and worshiped the devil, as now they do, then God sent some to make us civil, others to make us christians. If such had not been sent us we had yet continued wild and uncivil, and worshippers of the devil: for our *civility* we were beholden to the Romans, for our *religion* to the Apostles and their disciples. Did we receive this blessing by others, and shall we not be sensible of those that are still as we were then?

In what a case had we been if God had not sent some to civilize and convert us! And shall not we now labor to procure the same good to others? Otherwise surely we are most unworthy of the favors we have received. Nay that is not all, but it appears that we are not truly and effectually converted: for if we be, then assuredly as by virtue of Gods commandment *We must*, so out of our own conscience and fellow-feeling of our brethrens miseries, *We will* be most willing and joyful to procure them salvation, whereof we by Gods mercy and the same means are already partakers.

*Assistance of
this voyage
consists in four
things:
Countenance,
Person,
Purse,
Prayer.*

Out of these grounds I conclude, that for my part (without prejudice to other opinions) it is not only a lawful, but a most excellent and holy action, and, as the case now stands, so necessary, that I hold every man bound to assist, either with his *Countenance, Power, and Authority* (as do our gracious Sovereign and noble Prince) or with their *persons*, as some; or with their *purses*, as others of the Honorable and godly undertakers: or with their *prayers* and best wishes, as all, I hope, do, that love the Lord. But because the first part of this assistance belongs only to our *Sovereign*, none can therefore, nay, none need take part in that: and as for the last, which is by *prayer*, seeing that the poor may do as well as the rich, I hope