

Paper which Edmund Miller, lay-fellow and Counsellor of the College, offered to be subscribed by the Fellows, January 13, 1709.

We whose names are here underwritten, all of us Fellows of Trin. Coll. in Camb. do disapprove of our Master Dr. Bentley's late project of altering the proportion of our dividends, and of his excessive demands of a composition for the profits of his Mastership, and of the unworthy and unstatuteable methods he made use of in order to compass the same; and also of many other things done by him since he became our master. All which, or so many of them as can be recollected and as councell shall think fit, we desire in behalf of ourselves and the rest of the College may be represented to those who are the proper judges thereof, and in such manner as councell shall advise, humbl[y] craving such determination and sentence therein as to the wisdom of the said judges shall seem meet.

This was subscrib'd by Dr. Stubbe, Mr. Cock, Modd, Bathurst, Rashleigh, Smith, Cooper, Hanbury, Cressar, Jordan, Drury, Barwell, Aylofffe, Welstead, Stoaks, Miller, Brabourn, Blomer, Chamberlaine, White, Craister, Middleton, Stubbe, Paris, etc.

Dr. Coalbatch scrupl'd to subscribe the Paper propos'd by Mr. Miller and therefor drew up one himself.

Whereas some disputes have lately arisen, and do still continue, between Dr. B. Master of T.C. in C. and us the Fellows of the same College, occasion'd by a certain proposal made by him the said Master for altering the proportion of our dividends, and making a composition with himself for the profits of his Mastership; in which proposal severall particulars are contain'd, to which we cannot (as we conceive) by the Statutes of our College agree; we whose names are underwritten, the V. Master, Senior Fellows and other Fellows of the said College do, for the restoring of peace and tranquillity to the Society, earnestly desire in behalf of ourselves and of the rest of the members of the College, that the aforesaid disputes may be referr'd to your cognizance and determination, who are the proper judges thereof, and in such manner as councell shall advise: humbly craving such sentence therein as to the wisdom and justice of such judges shall seem meet.

To a paper drawn up in these words, or to the same effect I am ready to subscribe.

J. Colbatch, T.C.C. Soc. D.D. Casuist. Professor.

Mr. Williams Senior subscrib'd also to this paper.