

They did not know what crops would ~~grow~~ grow there. They had no resources, no specially trained men, no particular skills, except for one physician among them. Humanly speaking their venture was doomed to failure. In this case God intervened and gave marvelous signs of His good pleasure (in their undertaking) and enabled them to make a real start. During the first winter half the people died, but the rest survived so well that only two died during the next five years. A start of (a) communistic basis gave little hope of economic survival. Fortunately ~~the leaders~~, after a year the leaders of the colony were wise enough to see the futility of that method ~~of~~ and to substitute private enterprise which was a great help toward survival of the colony. All this would hardly have ~~xxx~~ availed if God had not provided an Indian who had been taken ~~to~~ a prisoner by an English sea captain, sold as a slave in Spain, escaped to England, and lived in England for a while, and then been sent by a friendly ~~Englishman~~ English merchant on one of his ~~ships~~ ships to the New World. This man Indian could talk the language of the local Indians and thus <sup>make</sup> it possible for the ~~xxx~~ colonists to get along with ~~them~~ them. ~~He~~ He knew what plants would grow, what living creatures were edible. He understood the situation, <sup>and</sup> the climate, and devoted ~~the~~ the  $\frac{1}{2}$  year and a half that he lived after his return to helping the Pilgrims. It is a rare <sup>p?</sup> Providence that men ~~going~~ traveling ten weeks across the sea, and settling on an absolutely unsettled (2nd) coast, would, within a few months after their landing there, find coming into their encampment a man who knew London far better than they did and who also knew the country there <sup>local area</sup> thoroughly, could speak both the English well and the Indian language well

English and the Indian language well and could provide for them and could thus enable them to give them advantages without which they would certainly have failed. How wonderful was ~~God~~ God's providence in the establishment of the Gospel in New England! Yet two centuries later Unitarianism, with its blighting unbelief, covered this area, and today one travels many <sup>in those states</sup> miles/before he finds a church <sup>by His providence</sup> in which the Gospel of Christ is preached. God/gave ~~His~~ wonderful blessings in the establishment of something that led to the distribution dissemination