

Liber H. H.      The Greate men of Pascatoway }  
                          The King & Greate men of }  
                          Chingwoatyke.                                } for the Indians.  
                          The King & Greate men of }  
                          Portoback & Mattawomen.                                }

The Leiut<sup>t</sup> Gräll arryuing att Pascatoway on the Thirtith day of May, according to Agree<sup>m</sup><sup>t</sup> w<sup>th</sup> the Indians, concerning the Election of a New Emperour for that Nation (their former Empero<sup>r</sup> being dead) The next Day came the Kings & Greate men of all the Neighbouring Townes: who satt in Councell about the s<sup>d</sup> Election. And hauing Concluded thereon on their parts.

They presented on the day following, being the first day of June to the R<sup>t</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> the Leiut<sup>t</sup> Gräll, a yowng youth named Nattowasso, about Eleauen yeares of age (This youth being the eldest sonne of Wahocasso late Empero<sup>r</sup> of Pascatoway deceased) to bee their Empero<sup>r</sup>. And requested the Leiut<sup>t</sup> Gräll to approue of their s<sup>d</sup> Election, & to confirme the s<sup>d</sup> Nattowasso Empero<sup>r</sup> of Pascatoway.

Their Reasons why they made choyce of this youth to bee Empero<sup>r</sup> are these. Declaring how th<sup>t</sup> in times past there were luying att Pascattoway Two ffamilies; out of w<sup>ch</sup> Two ffamilies, their Kings were chosen. The one being the ffamily of Wannys, The other the ffamily of Wahocasso. Of w<sup>ch</sup> Wahocasso this Nattowasso descended, hee being his Eldest sonne as afores<sup>d</sup>.

ffurther the Indians shew, That there is a Daughter of the ffamily of Wannys, now luying att Pascatoway, & about the same age, w<sup>th</sup> this youth now elected by them. To w<sup>ch</sup> youth they doe intend to marry this Daughter of Wannys ffamily, whenas they shall attaine to mature yeares: Referring themselves still to the Gouverno<sup>r</sup> & Councell of this Prouince, if soe bee they shall iudge it Conuenient, & approue thereof, & not contradict them therein: To whose power they doe submitt themselves.

ffurther they Request That this youth (formerly called Nattowasso bee hereafter called Wahocasso after his ffathers name.

Lastly they desyre the Leiut<sup>t</sup> Gräll to approue of & allow this their Election of Nattowasso, now Wahocasso. And Likewise th<sup>t</sup> the English, will protect him uppon all occasions.

To w<sup>ch</sup> last proposition the Leiut<sup>t</sup> Gräll (by his Interpreter) answered. That hee would both protect him & defend him, And then charged the Indians That they should not presume to wrong him uppon any pretence, eyther by poysoning of him, or by other indirect wayes. Assuring them, That if any such