

SUMMARY: The document below is a list of those, including Oxford, who wished to invest £25 apiece in the ore which had been brought back to England from the second Frobisher voyage to the Canadian Arctic in 1577. Oxford later invested heavily in the Frobisher voyages, losing his entire investment when the 'gold' ore brought back from Baffin Island proved to be worthless. For additional documents concerning Oxford's investment in the Frobisher voyages, see TNA SP 12/149/42, ff. 98-108.

For the Frobisher voyages generally, see:

Inuit and Englishmen; The Nunavut Voyages of Martin Frobisher, at http://www.museevirtuel-virtualmuseum.ca/Search.do?ex=on&R=VE_403&lang=en.

See also McDermott, James, ed., *The Third Voyage of Martin Frobisher to Baffin Island 1578* (London: Hakluyt Society, 2001).

For the document below, see also Collinson, Richard, *The Three Voyages of Martin Frobisher in Search of a Passage to Cathaia and India by the North-West, A.D. 1576-8*, (London: Hakluyt Society, 1867), pp. 163-4, available online.

These desire now to be venturers in the goods now come home

Which may be granted upon the whole stock now come home, or else in the next adventure, as your Honours shall think good.

My Lord Keeper	£25
Th' Earl of Bedford	£25
Mr Controller	£25
The Earl of Oxford	£25
My Lord Hunsdon	£25
My Lord Charles Howard	£25
My Lord of Cumberland	£25
My Lord Cobham	£25
My Lord Wharton	£25
Mr Hatton	£25
Mr Heneage	£25
Mr Horsey	£25
Sir Humphrey Gilbert	£25
Mr Wolley	£25
William Killigrew	£25
Thomas Dudley	£25
Ralph Lane	£25
Hugh Smythe	£25

John Dee	£25
Geoffrey Duckett	£25
Thomas Nicholls	£25

£500

Francis Mylles	£25
Laurence Thomson	£25
Arthur Daubeney	£25
John Castelyn	£25
Thomas Caesar	£25

Endorsed: A note of such as desire to be adventurers in the Cathay voyage, 1577