Jamestown's Early Tobacco Trade



In 1607, Jamestown was established	as the first permanent English settlement in
America. The	faced many challenges, including a lack of food
and disease. In the early years, the	struggled to survive.
However, in 1612, John Rolfe introdu	ced a new type of that grew
well in the Virginian soil. This crop	quickly became very important to the colony's
Тоbacco	farming required a lot of labor, and the settlers
initially used indentured	. As the demand for tobacco grew, so
did the need for workers. This led to	the in the use of enslaved
Africans in the colony.	
Tobacco became the main export of	and was even used as
currency. The success of tobacco fo	rming brought wealth to the
and encou	raged more English people to migrate to America.
This boom in the tobacco	also had significant social and
environmental impacts. The colonis	ts cleared large areas of to
plant tobacco, which changed the la	dscape. Additionally, the focus on tobacco
meant le	s diversity in crops and diet.
The high demand for tobacco in Eur	pe made it a very valuable
This economic boom led to the expa	nsion of the colony and the establishment of new
settlements. Tobacco shaped the	and economy of Jamestown
and had lasting effects on the histor	y of the United
trade Jamestown monocult settlers economy colony	ure tobacco (increase) culture (settlers) States (land) (servants) (commodity)