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John Rolfe and Jamestown



John Rolfe was an important _____ in the history of the Jamestown Settlement. He is best known for his role in introducing _____ as a cash crop. Before his arrival, Jamestown was struggling to survive. The colony faced many _____, including famine, disease, and conflicts with the Native _____. Rolfe arrived in Jamestown in 1610, during a difficult period known as the Starving _____.

Rolfe brought with him a special variety of tobacco seeds. This tobacco was much more popular in _____ compared to the local variety. By 1612, Rolfe had successfully cultivated this new tobacco in _____. The success of this crop changed the colony's fortune. Tobacco quickly became the main _____ of Jamestown, bringing wealth and economic stability.

John Rolfe also played a crucial role in improving _____ with the Powhatan Confederacy. In 1614, he married Pocahontas, the daughter of Chief Powhatan. This _____ helped establish a period of peace between the settlers and the Native Americans. The _____ was both a personal and political success. The introduction of tobacco by John Rolfe had long-lasting _____. It laid the foundation for the economic growth of the Virginia Colony. However, it also led to the increased use of indentured _____ and, eventually, African slaves. These laborers were needed to work on the expanding tobacco _____. Rolfe's innovations had a profound impact on the development of the American _____.

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