

Section 3^d

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Colonization of Tobago, by the British, - instituted 1764,
and completed 1772.

- Nov^r 13. 1763, In the Kings Speech to the two houses of
Parliament, It was announced, - "That an immediate
"colonization was intended, - of Tobago, and of other heretofore
"neutral Islands ceded to the Crown of Great Britain by the late
"Treaty of peace with France; ^{by the minister was further notified} and that the lands in those
"Islands, would be divided in lots, and granted on certain
"conditions of settlement, to the best Bidders at Public auction."

The scheme of disposal by sale, was wisely imagined
by the minister of that time: Payments to be made
by the Adventurers, were likely to ensure the zealous
prosecution, and success of the adventure; on such terms
none would engage in it, who had not the means to
pursue it: - and the very Deposit made to get possession
of the land, was a pledge for industry in its cultivation,
and of the national objects being early attained, of Increase
west India produce, Trade, Revenue, ships, and Seilors.

M^r George Grenville Chancellor of the Exchequer, having declared
the Principle and outline of his plan, - lost no time
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