

later news than I can send. I understand that ¹⁵³ 7
the natives have killed two of the Horses for 136
trespassing in their Gardens. I blame the
Settlers wholly for this Accident. I understand
the Horses were very fond of Sweet
Potatoes, and rooted them up very much
as they run at large. These are the
chief food which the natives value, and
I am not surpris'd that they have killed
them. They have been suffered to run where
they pleased, for 12 years - Had the Settlers
fenced a Part of land off for them, they
would then have done no injury, and the
natives w^d not have mutilated them -

The natives with me are much Distress'd
at this Circumstance, as they are very fond
of Horses - Since they have been with
me, they have learn'd their Value in
all Agricultural Purposes - I have
promis'd to send them some more -