

with a View of preventing such Property from coming into Possession of the Forces under our Command, as of Right ought to be forfeited to the Crown of Great Britain. As whatever Reluctance we might feel in adopting a Measure so extremely disagreeable to us, it nevertheless would be our Duty, not only to resist, in every Instance, such unbecoming Proceedings, but be the Means of obliging us to act against whoever might be concerned in a Transaction of so improper a Nature, in a Manner which we would ever wish to avoid. At the Time of making this Communication, we hope not to be understood as conceiving any Thing of the Nature now alluded to, at all likely to occur. We feel satisfied of the contrary, and have noticed it merely as a Measure of Precaution to those who might otherwise have been unwarily led into a Step, without being aware of the Consequences attendant.

We have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.
(Signed).

THOS. TRIGGE, Lieutenant General.
J. T. DUCKWORTH, Rear Admiral.

Whereas War between Great Britain and Sweden being announced by the Arrival of an Armament at this Island, summoning it to surrender to his Britannic Majesty, I do hereby agree to deliver it up to the British on the following Conditions :

Art. I. That all His Swedish Majesty's Property, now delivered, shall, according to Inventory, be restored, when the Colony is returned to his Majesty the King of Sweden.

Answer.—All His Swedish Majesty's Property must be delivered up to the British unconditionally.

Art. II. That all the Inhabitants of this Colony, of what Nation soever, shall be protected to their Persons and Property, and at Liberty to leave the Island, or remain here; and, in the first Case, to take with them their Property, without Confiscation, or other Hindrance. Whereunder is comprehended, Goods, Merchandize, and Vessels.

Answer.—All Swedish Inhabitants, and those of the United States of America, shall be protected in their Persons and Property, and be at Liberty to leave the Island, or remain on it, while they do not act inconsistently with the Interests of the British; by Property is to be understood Goods and Merchandize on Shore.

Art. III. That all Military and Civil Officers, as well as the Garrison, shall, when desired, be transported to Sweden at the Expence of His Britannic Majesty, without being considered Prisoners of War, and at Liberty to take their Property with them.

Answer.—The Garrison must be considered as Prisoners of War; every possible Indulgence will be granted them, and their Property respected.

Art. IV. All Public Papers and Documents to be respected, and allowed to be sent to Sweden.

Answer.—All Public Papers and Documents must be submitted to the Inspection of the British.

Art. V. Religion, Laws, and Customs, shall remain in the same State as they now are.

Answer.—Agreed to.

Art. VI. The Papers and Documents belonging to the French Delegation here, to be suffered to be sent away unmolested.

Answer.—All Papers belonging to the Enemies of Great Britain must be delivered up.

Art. VII. That Six Days be allowed to deliver up whatever may belong to His Swedish Majesty, and for an Inventory to be made of the same, during which Space of Time I desire to be guarded by my own Troops.

Answer.—Every Protection is insured to the Person of the Governor; but the Troops of His Swedish Majesty must be disarmed immediately after the Surrender of the Place; and His Swedish Majesty's Property must be delivered up to the British as soon as possible, and likewise all the Forts and strong Posts must be surrendered to the British Troops as soon as these Article. are ratified by the Commander in Chief.

Gustavia, in the Island of Saint Bartholomew, the 20th Day of March 1801.

H. ANKERBEIM.

FRANCIS FULLER, Brigadier-General.

E. D. KING, Captain Royal Navy.

Confirmed and ratified by us the Commanders in Chief of His Britannic Majesty's Forces. Dated on board His Majesty's Ship Leviathan, this 20th Day of March 1801.

THOMAS TRIGGE, Lieut. General.

JOHN THOMAS DUCKWORTH, Rear-Admiral.

By their Excellencies Lieutenant-General Thomas Trigge, and Rear-Admiral John Thomas Duckworth, Commanders in Chief of his Britannic Majesty's Forces, &c. &c.

THE Superiority of the Force which it has pleased His Britannic Majesty to place under our joint Command, rendering every Hope of Resistance, on your Part, altogether ineffectual, we, in order to avert the Consequences that so evidently would attend any Opposition which, from a vain Expectation of Success, you might be induced to make, and to give you the only Opportunity in our Power to afford, of avoiding the Effects so certainly to be apprehended, have taken this Means of manifesting the Moderation with which it is our Desire to proceed:

And we do therefore require you, in the Name of the King our Master, immediately to surrender into our Possession the Island of St. Martin, as likewise all Stores and Vessels, together with the Property of every Description.

Done on board His Britannic Majesty's Ship Leviathan, this 24th Day of March, 1801.

(Signed) THOMAS TRIGGE, Lieutenant-General.
J. T. DUCKWORTH, Rear-Admiral.

To his Excellency the Governor
of Saint Martin.

CAPITULATION of the Island of Saint Martin.

Art. I. That all Property, both French and Dutch, shall be respected.

Answer.—All Public Property, Military and Naval Stores, must be delivered up; as likewise all Ships and Vessels, with their Cargoes, belonging to the Enemies of Great Britain and Ireland. The Private Property of the ancient Inhabitants, both French and Dutch, is to be respected; but we reserve to ourselves the Right to determine with respect to such Property as has been acquired of late Years.