

met on board the *Victory* to receive Proposals of Capitulation for Bastia from Messieurs Etienne Monty, President of the Department of Corsica; John Baptiste Galeazzini, Mayor of Bastia; Charles Francis Emanuel Couthand; and John Baptiste Franceschi, Adjutant-Generals of the French Army.

The following Articles were proposed, discussed and modified as follows, viz.

Article I. The Garrison shall march out with all the Honors of War, together with all those attached to the Army.

Answer. Granted.

Article II. The Garrison shall embark as soon as possible after signing these Articles at the Great Mole of the Port, preceded by the Field Artillery, with Arms, Baggage, Drums beating, Matches lighted at both Ends, Colours flying: To be transported immediately to the Port of the Mountain (Toulon) and no where else.

Answer. In Consideration of the gallant Defence made, the Garrison shall march to the Molehead, preceded by Two Field Pieces, with their Arms, Baggage, &c. and shall lay down their Arms at the Place appointed for their Embarkation; they shall, as soon as possible, be transported to the Port of the Mountain (Toulon).

Article III. All Ammunition, Artillery, Military Stores, and every Thing which composes and makes a Part of the Army, both by Sea and Land, shall also be transported to the Port of the Mountain.

Answer. Refused.

Article IV. The Corvette *La Flèche* shall be fitted out as a Transport to carry the Garrison and Citizens who wish to follow it, together with the *Pink La Marie Victoire*; and that loaded with Ship Timber, which are now at the Disposal of the Administrator of the Marine, shall be employed for this Transport; but this not being sufficient, the necessary Number shall be furnished by the Admiral, Four of which shall not be visited. The above mentioned Corvette and *Pink*, loaded with Timber, shall be kept by the Republic.

Answer. The Troops of the Garrison and Citizens who wish to depart shall be conveyed to Toulon, the Port of the Mountain; by Vessels appointed by his Excellency the Commander in Chief.

The French Corvette *La Flèche*, and all Vessels in the Harbour, must be delivered up to His Britannick Majesty's Officers. Such Fishing Boats as are necessary to the Subsistence of the Inhabitants, proving their Property, shall remain in their Possession.

The Rest of this Article is inadmissible.

Article V. The Sick, who are not able to bear the Voyage, shall remain in the Hospitals which they occupy at present, at the Expence of the Republic, by Officers of Health, who shall be appointed under the Superintendence of a Commissary of War; and, when they are able to support the Voyage, Vessels shall be furnished to transport them by the English Commander.

Answer. Granted.

Article VI. The Members of the Constituent Bodies, and all Persons attached to the Service of the Republic, of any Denomination whatever, or

Pensioners, shall participate in this Capitulation with the Military, and shall enjoy the same Conditions.

Answer. Granted.

Article VII. All Papers concerning Public Accounts, those of the Artillery, Engineers, Marine, Military Tribunal, Military Chest, both of this Place and of all others, shall be transported to France; the same shall be done with all Papers and Plans of the Country, as well of the old as new Administration, as the Civil and Military, and those belonging to the Communities.

Answer. Granted, except such as are necessary for the Security of Property; the Archives, and other Public Papers and Plans of the Island, shall remain, but Copies of them shall be allowed to be taken.

Article VIII. The Inhabitants of both Sexes which are now in the Town, or that have taken Refuge there, shall have their Lives, their Honor, and their Property saved and guaranteed, with Liberty to retire when and whither they please with their Families and Servants, Furniture, Effects and Merchandize; and the Power of disposing of whatever Effects they may chuse to leave behind, or to receive their Rents by Agents.

Answer. Granted.

Article IX. No Troops nor armed Men, except those of the British Government, shall on any Account be brought into the Town.

Answer. The British Government will take Care that no armed Men shall be brought into the Town, in any Manner that may give the Inhabitants any Cause of Uneasiness or Apprehension.

Article X. The Community in general, nor any Individual in particular, shall be subjected to any Tax or Contribution whatever, on account of the Events which have preceded or accompanied the Siege.

Answer. Granted.

Article XI. No Person shall be troubled on account of his Religion or political Opinions, nor for any Thing he may have said before or during the Siege.

Answer. Granted.

Article XII. The Inhabitants shall not be subject to have Soldiers billeted in their Houses; they shall not be forced to any Military Service or Work.

Answer. Soldiers shall never be billeted on the Inhabitants, except in Cases of absolute Necessity.

Article XIII. The present Money of the Republic, particularly Assignats, shall continue to pass current.

Answer. The French Money and Assignats shall be allowed to pass; but no Person shall be compelled to take them.

Article XIV. The National Domains, sold agreeable to the existing Laws, shall be kept by the Purchasers; the Leases of National Property not sold, which have been granted till this Time, shall remain in Force.

Answer. We do not feel ourselves authorized to decide on this Article; it must be left to the Decision of His Britannick Majesty, the Purchasers enjoying the Possession of the National Domains till His Majesty's Pleasure shall be known: And all Leases granted before the Arrival of the British Fleet at St. Fiorenzo shall remain in Force.