

the Decline of the Day rendered it absolutely necessary.

From Major-General Hunter's Division on the Right a Part of Lewentstein's Corps, and Two Companies of the 42d Regiment, with some Island Rangers, availed themselves of the Profile of the Hill, and lodged themselves within a very short Distance of the Fort. At Two o'Clock the Two remaining Companies of the 42d Regiment, from Major-General Hunter's Column, and the Buffs, supported by the York Rangers from Major-General Morhead's, were ordered to advance to the Attack. The Enemy, unable to withstand their Ardour, retired from their first, second, and third Redoubts, but rallied round the New Vigie, their principal Post. They were now fully in our Power, as Brigadier-General Knox had cut off their Communication with the Charib Country, and Lieutenant-Colonel Dickens, of the 34th Regiment, who had been previously ordered to make a Diversion with the Remains of his own and the 2d West India Regiments upon their Right, where the Charibs were posted, had succeeded beyond Expectation, having forced the Charibs to retire, and taken their Post. The Enemy, therefore, in the New Vigie, desired to capitulate, which was granted upon the Conditions herewith inclosed.

The Number of Prisoners about 700. At the first of the Attack, the Charibs, and, towards the Close of it, near 200 of the Insurgents of the Island, made their Escape into the Woods.

Lieutenant-Colonel Spencer, with 600 Men, was immediately detached to Mount Young, and Lieutenant-Colonel Gower, with 300 Men, embarked to go by Sea to Owia; but being unable to land, on Account of the Surf, he has returned, the Troops have been disembarked, and he has marched through the Charib Country.

I feel myself under great Obligations to Major-General Hunter, and to the Gentlemen of the Island, for the local Information which they gave me, and for the Zeal and Intelligence which they shewed in conducting the Columns. I have to thank Major-General Morhead for his Exertions; and I am highly satisfied with the spirited Behaviour of the Officers and Soldiers. The Corps of Island Rangers, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Haffey and Major Jackson, rendered essential Service. Captain Douglas, of the Royal Engineers, was among the Wounded, and is since dead. He is a real Loss to the Service in this Country, as he was indefatigable

in the Discharge of his Duty, and had acquired a minute Knowledge of this Island.

Captain Woolley, of His Majesty's Ship the *Arethusa*, was intrusted by Rear-Admiral Sir Hugh Christian with the Command of the Navy acting with us in the Expeditions against St. Vincent and Grenada, in which I can say, with the greatest Truth, he has conducted himself with very great Judgment and Good-Will.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

RA. ABERCROMBY.

ARTICLES of CAPITULATION which Lieutenant-General Sir Ralph Abercromby, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in the West Indies, grants to the French Government in St. Vincent, the 11th of June, 1796.

Article I.

THE Garrison of the Vigie and Dependencies to march out this Day at Twelve o'Clock, and lay down their Arms.

Article II.

The Negroes, &c. are to return to their respective Proprietors.

Article III.

The Rest of the Garrison become Prisoners of War. The Officers are allowed to retain their Swords, and all are allowed to keep their private Effects.

Article IV.

Such Persons as have been guilty of Murders, or of burning Houses or Estates, must be subject to the Judgement of the Laws of the Island.

Article V.

The Commandant of the French Troops shall cause to be given up, as soon as possible, all the Posts which the French Troops are in Possession of in this Island; and the said Troops are to become Prisoners upon the Conditions granted to the Garrison of the Vigie.

Article VI.

The Commandant of the French Troops shall be responsible that all Artillery, Ammunition and Stores of every Kind shall be delivered up to the British Troops in the Order they are now in, and any Injury or Waste committed upon them from this Time will be considered as a Breach of Faith.