

Settlement, or the Territories or Dependencies thereof, from any Part of His Majesty's Dominions, shall be subject to any Duty.

And it is His Majesty's Pleasure, that no Goods, Wares or Merchandize, the Growth, Produce or Manufacture of the Countries to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, be imported into the said Settlement, or the Territories or Dependencies thereof, except by the United Company of Merchants trading to the East Indies; and that no such Goods, Wares or Merchandize, be permitted to be exported from thence, except for Sea Stores only, or by the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, or by their Licence.

But it is His Majesty's Pleasure that nothing in this Order contained shall extend to prevent Ships or Vessels employed in the Southern Whale Fishery from carrying on the same in such and the same Manner as might have been done if this Order had not been made.

And it is also His Majesty's Pleasure, that no Arms or Artillery, Gunpowder or Ammunition, of any Sort, be allowed to be imported into the said Settlement, or the Territories or Dependencies thereof, except by the said United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, or by Licence from His Majesty.

And it is His Majesty's further Pleasure, that the Trade and Commerce to and from the said Settlement, and the Territories and Dependencies thereof, shall be subject to such of the Laws of Trade and Navigation as would have affected the same if this Order had not been made, except so far as such Laws are contrary to this present Order.

And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, are to give the necessary Directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

*Steph. Cottrell.*

*Parliament-Street, January 16, 1797.*

**D**ISPATCHES, of which the following are an Extract and Copy, have been this Day received by the Right Honorable Henry Dundas, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, from Major-General Charles Graham, commanding His Majesty's Troops in the Leeward Islands in the Absence of Lieutenant-General Sir Ralph Abercromby, K. B.

*Extract of a Letter from Major-General Charles Graham to the Right Honourable Henry Dundas, dated Head Quarters, Martinico, October 16, 1796.*

**O**UR Affairs in Grenada wear the most favourable Aspect, I may say, indeed, Tranquillity is completely restored, as they enjoy it in the most compre-

hensive Sense: The Communication throughout the Island is perfectly open; there are some few Stragglers, no Doubt, in the Woods, but they never molest even single Passengers, and their Number is so inconsiderable, and their State so wretched, that they rather deserve our Contempt than merit our Resentment. Fédon has not yet been taken, and Opinions are various with respect to his Death or Escape, the former, however, I think most probable, as it is reported a Canoe, that had been overfet, was found by a Vessel some Distance from the Coast, with a Compass nailed to the Bottom, which was known to be one that he had had in his Possession; it is therefore likely he may have been lost, in endeavouring to make his Escape.

I embrace with Satisfaction the Opportunity this affords me of having the Honour to inform you, that a Negotiation has been opened, for a general Exchange of Prisoners, with the Commissioners of the French Republic at Guadaloupe; the Commissary sent here to treat on that Business has in consequence returned with Two Hundred, an equal Number of our's are to be sent by the Cartel; when the Business is finally settled, I shall have the Pleasure of acquainting you with the Particulars.

*Head Quarters, Martinico, November 13, 1796.*

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**I**T affords me great Satisfaction to have an Opportunity of informing you of the entire Reduction of the Brigands and Charibs in St. Vincent's, which was communicated to me by Major-General Hunter shortly after I had the Honor of addressing you on the 16th Ultimo; a Copy of whose Letter I herewith transmit, together with the Return of Killed and Wounded.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

CHARLES GRAHAM, Major-General.

*St. Vincent's, October 18, 1796.*

S I R,

**W**HEN I had the Honor of writing to your Excellency on the 22d of August, I inclosed a Copy of the Terms offered to the Charibs by Governor Seton and myself, in consequence of Sir Ralph Abercromby's Orders and Instructions to me upon that Subject. At the same Time I acquainted you with the Plan I had adopted in order to reduce the remaining Brigands, and to compel the Charibs to surrender.

I have now the Satisfaction to inform you of the total Reduction of the Brigands and Charibs on this Island.

Marin Padre, (a Negroe of St. Lucia) who has commanded the Brigands and Charibs since the Capture of the Vigie, and who had great Influence and Authority over both, surrendered on the 2d Instant.

The Number of Brigands who have surrendered or been taken since the 4th of July amounts to 725, the Number of Charibs to 4633, including Women and Children.

I have much Pleasure in making known to you, for His Majesty's Information, the Zeal, Activity and Humanity which have actuated every Description of Officers and Soldiers employed under my Command during the Whole of the Charib War; and I am happy to say, that, notwithstanding the Season

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