

ADDITIONS and EXPLANATIONS proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General of the Colony of Surinam, J. F. Friderici, respecting the Articles of Capitulation proposed by their Excellencies Lieutenant-General Thomas Trigge and Vice-Admiral the Right Honorable Lord Hugh Seymour, &c. &c.

Art. I. That the Offer made respecting the secure Enjoyment of private Property shall be confirmed, with no other Exceptions than those contained in the Summons.

Answer.—Already agreed to.

Art. II. That the Trade of Neutral Powers shall be continued on the same Footing on which it now is, especially with respect to the Americans, to whom the Inhabitants of the Colony have great Obligations.

Answer.—Already agreed to, as far as is necessary to place the Colony of Surinam on the same Footing as that of Demarara. The Proposal made in Favor of the Americans cannot be acceded to, but shall be transmitted to the British Government, whose favorable Disposition towards America cannot be doubted.

Art. III. That the Officers and Soldiers who are desirous of entering into the Service of his Britannic Majesty, shall be employed during the present War in the Defence of this Colony, and that those who do not chuse to enter into His Majesty's Service shall be allowed to remain in the Colony as private Persons, or to go to any other Place.

Answer.—This Request cannot be granted conformably with our Instructions; but it is so reasonable, and is at the same Time so much what the Commander in Chief wishes, that there can be little Doubt but the Object of the Troops on this Point will be accomplished. The Troops which have been raised and continued at Demarara, is a Proof of this. The latter Part of this Article, respecting the Soldiers who do not wish to enter into his Britannic Majesty's Service, is granted.

Art. IV. That Vessels and every Thing necessary shall be provided to transport the Walloon Guards now in the Service of this Colony to One of the Ports of Spain in Europe; and that in other Respects they shall be treated according to the Stipulations entered into with them.

Answer.—Being uncertain of the Number to which the Walloon Guards amount, and ignorant of the Means of transporting them from the Colony, it is impossible to fix upon any precise Conveyance for them; but the Spirit of the Request will be conform'd to, and One Hundred and Fifty or Two Hundred of them shall immediately be removed either to Spain, or to One of its Colonies; it being understood that both Officers and Men are to be considered Prisoners of War, and that they are not to serve against Great Britain until regularly exchanged.

Art. V. That the Troops at present under the Orders of the Governor-General of the Colony, shall, on giving up the Forts in which they are, march out with the Honors of War, and ground their Arms on the Glacis of the Forts, by Command from their own Officers; and that they shall in other Respects be treated with the Attention they have deserved by their good Conduct and Attention to the Colony.

Answer.—Granted.

Art. VI. The usual Honors of War, of firing their Guns before they strike their Colours, shall be allowed to the Men of War in the Colony.

Answer.—Granted.

Art. VII. In what Time is the Article relative to private Property to be understood?

Answer.—On the Subject of Property it will be right to observe, that the Habitations as well as Property of Individuals will be equally respected, whether they are present in the Colony or not; such only being excepted from our Protection as are now serving against Great Britain. Property of that Description will be put in Sequestration until Instructions are received from the British Government on that Subject. The same Rule will be observed towards French Proprietors, who may be resident in France or any of its Dependencies.

(Signed) THO. TRIGGE, Lieutenant-General.  
H. SEYMOUR, Vice-Admiral.

(Signed) FRIDERICI.

Admiralty-Office, October 12, 1799.

LIEUTENANT SENHOUSE, of His Majesty's Brig Requin, arrived this Afternoon with Dispatches from Vice-Admiral Lord Hugh Seymour, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels employed at Barbadoes and the Leeward Islands, to Evan Nepean, Esq; Secretary of the Admiralty, of which the following are Copies.

Prince of Wales, off Bram's Point,  
S I R,  
August 31, 1799.

I Have the Honor to forward for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Copy of the Articles of Capitulation\* signed on the 20th Instant, for placing the very valuable Colony of Surinam under His Majesty's Protection, an Event on which I most sincerely congratulate their Lordships.

Having been taken very ill on Tuesday last, I have not since been in a State to attend to Business, which I hope will be admitted by their Lordships as a sufficient Apology for my not giving them a detailed Account of this fortunate Event. I have however sent a Copy of my Letter to the Secretary of State, for their Lordships' Information.

I have sent Lieutenant Senhouse in the Requin Armed Brig with my Dispatches, whose Intelligence, Zeal, and Activity have recommended him most strongly to my Notice, and will, I hope, to their Lordships' Favor and Protection.

I am not able at present to forward an Account of the Vessels captured at Surinam, Two of which I have been obliged to take into His Majesty's Service until their Lordships' Pleasure can be known; but I shall take the first Opportunity of sending that Account for their Lordships' Information.

I am, &c. &c. &c.

H. SEYMOUR.

The French Corvette L'Huffar, a very fine Vessel, only Seven Months old, mounts Twenty Nine-Pounders, now serving as the Surinam Sloop, and Lieutenant Colc, of the Prince of Wales, appointed to command her.

\* For the Articles of Capitulation see the preceding Page.