

and Privileges of His Majesty's Subjects in the West Indies.

Answer.—Agreed to.

Art. VII. The Laws heretofore observed respecting Property shall remain in full Force.

Private: As it is impossible for the Inhabitants of the said Island, and its Dependencies, to subsist without a free Intercourse with the Spanish Main, the Ports of Curaçao and its Dependencies shall be open to all Spanish Vessels.

Answer.—Agreed to be allowed the same free Trade as the Island of Jamaica.

Signed, sealed, and ratified in the Presence of Cornelius Spencer and E. A. Van Eck, on the Part of Johan Rudolph Lauffer; and in the Presence of John Lewis March, on the Part of Frederick Watkins; at the Port of Amsterdam, in the Island of Curaçao, this 13th of September 1800.

(Signed) JOH. RUD. LAUFFER.  
FRED. WATKINS.  
WM. RIDLEY, Secretary.

*His Majesty's Ship Nereide, Curaçao Harbour, 23d September 1800.*

MY LORD;

I Have now the Satisfaction to inform your Lordship that the English Colours are flying in this Island, and that I have entered this Harbour in consequence of the total Evacuation of the French Forces last Night. I am now arranging Affairs in such a Manner as to tranquilize the Minds of the Inhabitants, restore perfect Peace, in the Name of His Majesty, in this valuable Island. I have been received with great Faith, and will do my utmost in establishing the Security of the principal Forts till I receive your Lordship's Answer for my further Conduct. Enclosed I have the Honor of transmitting to you an Inventory of Warlike Stores, Ammunition, &c. in the Garrison, except those lately in Possession of the Enemy, which I have not yet received the regular Returns of, but have given the necessary Orders. It was my Intention to have sent any farther Dispatch to your Lordship by the remaining Lieutenant, Mr. James Hodgson; but, as I do not exactly conceive myself in a perfect State of Safety, without having perfect Possession of the principal Forts which commands the Town, I have appointed him, with a Party of my own Men, to that Command: his Zeal, Bravery, and universal steady Conduct in any Service he is ordered on, makes my Mind perfectly easy in doing so: he has been of the utmost Service in a new erected Battery in annoying the Enemy, and indeed may be considered the principal Cause of their Retreat. Lieutenant Fitton, commanding the Active Tender, I have much Pleasure in recommending to your Lordship's Notice, from his Activity and spirited Conduct since he has joined me. From him, my Lord, you will receive material Information as to all Situations of the Island and its valuable Harbour.

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) F. WATKINS.

*The Right Honorable Lord Hugh Seymour,  
&c. &c. &c.*

*A List of Vessels lying in the Harbour of Curaçao.*

Dutch Hooker Ship Seven Brothers, Captain S. Salm.  
Ship Hurora, Captain Lawson. An English Prize purchased by H. Leyer, and by him (as appears) sold to Thomas Thamp a Danish Captain.  
Brig Albion, no Captain. English Prize sold here.  
Brig Two Friends, no Captain. Ditto.  
Brig ———, Captain Pakes. Lately from Guadeloupe, and purchased by Captain Pakes.  
Dutch Sloop ———, Captain William Martin.  
Dutch Schooner Two Friends, Captain Dominick Brune.  
Dutch Schooner Charming Maria, Captain William Fornie.  
Dutch Schooner Amable Elionora, Captain Curpar Fornie.  
Dutch Schooner Nostra Senora del Carmen, Captain Domingo Neives.  
Schooner ———, Captain William Martin. To all Appearances French.  
Schooner Drogha ———; Captain Nicholas de Young. Ditto.  
Schooner Droghan Fery. Captain Andries Manco. Ditto.  
Schooner Drogha ———, Captain Allons. Ditto.  
Sloop Droghan ———, Captain Jurian Ras. Ditto.  
Sloop Senora Raphael, Captain Pallay. Ditto.  
French Schooner Santa Maria, Captain Ja. Jefuirin.  
A French Schooner, from Guadeloupe, with Joubert's Family.  
French Schooner Nancy, Captain Duc.  
A French Privateer Sloop; in Government Service.  
Spanish Schooner Sophia, Captain Nec. de Ariaygo.  
Spanish Schooner Nostra Senora del Carmen, Captain Juan Dominaque.  
Spanish Sloop Nostra Senora del Rosario, Captain Manuel Guillemin.  
Spanish Schooner Nostra Senora del Carmen, Captain Felix de Artiage.  
Spanish Schooner San Francisco de Panler, Captain Francisco Hernandez.  
Spanish Sloop Nostra Senora del Carmen, Captain Joseph J. Carillo.  
Spanish Sloop Nostra Senora del Carmen, Captain Sebastian Orgifa.  
Schooner La Conception, Captain Pedro Blanco. In Government Service.  
American Schooner Justha, Captain George Vincent.  
American Brig Zilpha; Captain John Stran.  
American Brig Sally, Captain William Hampton.  
American Schooner Atalanta, Captain William Holland.  
American Schooner Polly, Captain Samuel Gour.  
American Schooner Determined Rover, Captain Hamper.  
American Cutter Crocodile, Captain William Cook. Stranded.  
Schooner Maria, Captain David Gammel. In Government Service.  
Danish Sloop Maria, Captain Antoine Simon.  
Danish Schooner Good Intentie, Captain Philip Rodriguch.  
Danish Schooner Experiment, Captain Jos. Carl. Rinoe.  
Danish Schooner D'Vrow Sara, Captain Joh. d'Hoyer.