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A DISPATCH, addressed to the Right Honorable Henry Dundas, of which the following is a Copy, was this Day received at the Office of the Right Honorable Lord Hobart, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, from Lieutenant-General Trigge, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in the Leeward and Windward Charibbee Islands.

SIR, *Martinique, April 27, 1801.*

I lose not a Moment in having the Honor to communicate the Information which has been just now received, of the Islands of St. Eustatius and Saba having surrendered on the 21st Instant, to a Detachment of the 3d Regiment of Foot, under the Command of Lieutenant-Colonel Blunt, and Captain Perkins, of His Majesty's Ship Arab.

The enclosed Extract of a Letter from Mr. President Thomson, commanding at St. Christopher's, ordering Lieutenant-Colonel Blunt to proceed on that Service, and of Lieutenant-Colonel Blunt's Official Letter, acquainting me with the Result, will explain to your Satisfaction all such Circumstances as you may wish to be informed of.

I have only to add, that the Officers charged with the conducting of this Service, have acquitted themselves with such Judgment and Promptitude as to merit and receive my entire Approbation.

I have the Honor to enclose to you herewith, Copy of the Terms on which these Islands were surrendered, and have been placed under His Majesty's Government; but am unable to transmit by this Opportunity the Return of Ordnance, as there is not sufficient Time at present to have it made out correctly.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) THO. TRIGGE, Lieut. General.

Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant-Colonel Blunt, of the 3d Regiment of Foot, to Lieutenant General Trigge, dated St. Eustatius, 22d April 1801.

I Have the Honor to enclose an Order addressed to me by the President of St. Kitt's, in consequence of which I embarked on board His Majesty's Ship Arab, Captain Perkins, and an Armed Schooner, his Prize, One Hundred Men of the Buffs, with Lieutenant Brown and Ten Men of the

Royal Artillery: We summoned the Island of St. Eustatius on the Morning of the 21st, which surrendered by Capitulation; the Terms of which accompany this, and I hope will not be disapproved by your Excellency. They had no Provisions in the Garrison, and very little in Possession of the Inhabitants.

From the Extent of the Batteries it will not be in my Power to forward, by this Opportunity, Lieutenant Brown's Report of the Ordnance.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) RICH. BLUNT, Lieutenant Colonel Buffs.

Extract of a Letter from the President of St. Kitt's to Lieutenant-Colonel Blunt of the 3d Regiment of Foot, dated Basseterre, 20th April, 1801.

I Have just received Information that the Island of Saint Eustatius was evacuated by the French on the 16th Instant.

Under these Circumstances, and considering that a favourable Opportunity now presents itself to acquire the Possession of that Island, and thereby give Security to the Islands in its Neighbourhood, and recover a Number of Negroes who have eloped from hence, and which may be lost by Delay; you will therefore embark with One Hundred Men of the Buffs, on board of His Majesty's Ship Arab, Captain Perkins, and take Possession of the Island of St. Eustatius, which you will retain until his Excellency General Trigge's Pleasure thereupon be known.

I have, &c.

(Signed) ROB. THOMSON.

ARTICLES of CAPITULATION proposed to Lieutenant-Colonel Blunt, commanding the 3d Regiment of Foot, and John Perkins, Esq; Commander of His Britannick Majesty's Ship, Arab, off this Island, by Daniel Roda, Captain Commandant of the Island of St. Eustatius.

Art. I. The Inhabitants of St. Eustatius shall enjoy full Security to their Persons, and the free Exercise of their Religion, with the immediate and entire Possession of their Property of every Denomination whatsoever. The Ancient Laws and Usages which have hitherto been observed in the Colony, continuing in Force.

