

enter into Negotiations, with the Concurrence of Commodore Rowley the preliminary Articles were drawn up, a Copy of which is enclosed, and the Commandant accompanying me on board His Majesty's Ship *Raisonable*, they were signed, subject to the Confirmation or Rejection of the Commander in Chief General de Brusleys. On the 24th all the remaining public Stores were delivered over by the Head of the Police, and Fatigue Parties from the Squadron and Troops were ordered to embark them on board the Honourable Company's recaptured Ship *Streatham*, which together with the Europe were placed under the Orders of their former Commanders. From the 25th to the 28th, the whole of the Guns, &c. were finally destroyed, our Guards continuing to mount regularly in the Town for the Protection of the Inhabitants and their Property. The Frigate *La Caroline*, with the other Shipping, are making all possible Preparation for Sea, and it is hoped that all the necessary Arrangements will be made for the Troops returning to Roderiques by the 31 of next Month.

I cannot conclude this Dispatch without mentioning the Obligations I am under to Lieutenant Reman, of the Bombay Engineers, through whose Exertions I was enabled to give a Plan of Attack to the Officers in Command of Columns, and who, upon the Entire of this Service, has been zealous and indefatigable. I beg also to notice the Exertions of Ensign Pearce, of the 56th Regiment, who, being attached to my personal Staff, has rendered me the most essential Services.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) HENRY S. KEATING,
Lieut. Col. 56th Regt.

To Fras. Warden, Esq; Chief Secretary to
Government, Bombay.

ARTICLES of AGREEMENT entered into between Commodore *Josias Rowley*, commanding His Britannic Majesty's Ships in the Roads of St. Paul's, and Lieutenant-Colonel Keating, commanding His Majesty's and the Honourable Company's Troops, on the one Part, and Captain St. Michiel, Commandant Militaire of St. Paul's, on the other.

It is agreed that, in consequence of the Town of St. Paul's being in Possession of the English, and the Situation of the Inhabitants, a mutual Suspension of Arms shall immediately take place, under the following Conditions:

Article I. That the Field Pieces taken by the English Troops, and subsequently stolen by the Negroes, shall be restored to the English.

Answer.—Two Field Pieces only were taken by the Negroes, and brought to my Camp. I will refer this Article to the General commanding the Island.

Art. II. That public Property of every Description, such as Guns, Stores, Merchandize and Money, in the Town of St. Paul's, shall remain in Possession of the English.

Answer.—Accepted.

Art. III. That the Limits of the Town are considered to be the Canal running near the Promenade, and from thence to the Cavern.

Answer.—Accepted.

Art. IV. That such public Property as is not in Possession of the English, shall be pointed out to them by the Commandant upon his Word of Honour.

Answer.—If any such comes to my Knowledge, within the Limits marked, I will point it out.

Art. V. That no Troops of the Island shall march into the Town of St. Paul's, or in any Manner molest the English, without Twenty-one Days previous Notice, given in Writing to the Officer commanding His Majesty's and the Honourable Company's Troops; and the English on their Part agree, not to erect any Batteries, or make any other military Arrangements on Shore, without the same Notice to the Commandant of the Town.

Answer.—Accepted, for those Troops under my Command; the rest I will refer to the General.

Art. VI. That there shall be no Impediment to the Inhabitants selling to the English Supplies of fresh Meat and Vegetables, the English paying the usual Price for the same; and that the Sick are to be accommodated on Shore if required.

Answer.—Accepted.

Art. VII. That nothing here abovementioned shall be considered as preventing the English from attacking any other Part of the Island either by Sea or Land.

Answer.—Accepted, under the Condition that no Disembarkation or Movement of Troops shall take place at St. Paul's within the Limits abovementioned.

Art. VIII. That all English Prisoners at St. Paul's shall be given up.

Answer.—I will refer this to the General.

Art. IX. That no Impediment shall be made to the Negroes who have been accustomed to work on the Beach, assisting the English, upon receiving their regular Pay.

Answer.—Accepted.

Art. X. That Three Days shall be given for the Ratification of General Desbroukeys to these Articles; and in the Event of these not being ratified on his Part, either Party shall be at Liberty to commence Hostilities, upon giving Twenty-four Hours previous Notice.

Answer.—Accepted.

The following Articles added on the Part of Captain St. Michiel.

Art. I. The French Troops under my Command are to be considered as at Liberty to quit their present Cantonment, and to march to the Assistance of any other Part of the Island that may be threatened with an Attack, without giving Notice to the British Commandant. The Commandant of the Militia will remain at St. Paul's, to see the foregoing Articles carried into Effect.

Answer.—Accepted.

Art. II. The Civil Authorities of St. Paul's shall resume their Functions, the Inhabitants shall be governed by French Laws, and remain in the undisturbed Exercise of their Religion.

Answer.—Accepted.

Done at St. Paul's, in the Island of Buonaparte, this 23d of September 1809.

(Signed) JOS. ROWLEY, commanding His Britannic Majesty's Squadron.

HENRY KEATING, Lieut. Col. commanding a Detachment of His Britannic Majesty's and the Honourable Company's Troops.

ST. MICHIEL, Commandant Militia.