

dencies round Pondicherry, and round Karikal, six Months after the ratification of the definitive Treaty or sooner if it can be done.

France shall at the end of the same term of six months, restore the towns and territories which her arms may have taken from the English or their Allies in the East Indies.

In consequence whereof, the necessary orders shall be sent by each of the high contracting parties, with reciprocal passports for the ships which shall carry them, immediately after the ratification of the definitive Treaty.

21. The prisoners made respectively by the arms of his Britannic Majesty, and his Most Christian Majesty by land and by sea, shall be restored reciprocally, and *bonâ fide* immediately after the ratification of the definitive Treaty, without ransom, and on paying the debts they may have contracted during their captivity; and each Crown shall respectively reimburse the sums which shall have been advanced for the subsistence and maintenance of their prisoners, by the Sovereign of the country where they shall have been detained, according to the receipts and attested accounts, and other authentic titles which shall be produced on each side.

22. In order to prevent all causes of complaint and dispute which may arise on account of prizes which may be made at Sea after the signing of these preliminary articles, it is reciprocally agreed, that the vessels and
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