

The Mandate of the (French) King to the Sieur Chevalier de Fenquiere, Governor and Lieutenant General of the Windward Islands in America.

“ HIS Majesty having been informed that
 “ the King of *England* has given the
 “ Islands of *St. Vincent*, and *St. Lucia*, to the
 “ Duke of *Montagu* ; has made his Com-
 “ plaint of it in *England*, and has *alleged*
 “ that neither the one, nor the other of those
 “ Islands belong to that Crown : The first of
 “ them ought to remain to the *Carribees*, ac-
 “ cording to Conventions made with that
 “ People, and the second *belongs* to *France* ;
 “ who has been willing to *suspend the Settle-*
 “ *ment of that Island, on the Request * of the*
 “ *King of England*. Notwithstanding these
 “ *Reasons*, his Majesty *has not been informed*,
 “ that there has been any Revocation of this
 “ Grant. On the contrary, he understands
 “ that the Duke of *Montagu*, is preparing to
 “ send and take Possession of those Islands,
 “ and to transport Numbers of Families thi-
 “ ther. This Undertaking being *contrary to*
 “ *the Rights of his Majesty*, his Intention is,
 “ that in Case the *English* should take Posses-

* By this Part of the Mandate, it is confessed that the Settlement of *St. Lucia* was suspended by the *Request* of the King of *England*, or in plainer Words, by *Agreement* or *Convention* : And yet the *French* have settled that Island *contrary to Agreement*, without Interruption.

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