

The Author desires that these dispatches may be compared with his observations in the first Letter, respecting the probable intentions of the French Government; and that the following passage in Leclerc's Proclamation may be particularly noticed: "*Yesterday their perfidious intentions were unmasked.—General Toussaint sent me his children with a letter in which he assures me that there was nothing he so much desired as the prosperity of the Colony, and that he was ready to obey all the orders that I should give him. I ordered him to come before me, and gave him my word that I would employ him as my LIEUTENANT GENERAL.—He did not reply to this order further than by phrases that were only designed to gain time. MY ORDERS FROM THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT ARE, THAT I PROMPTLY RESTORE PROSPERITY AND ABUNDANCE. If I suffer myself to be amused by crafty and perfidious artifices, the Colony will be the theatre of a long civil war.*"

The Reader will observe, that the particular nature of Toussaint's *temporising phrases* and the contents of the letter which he sent by his children to Leclerc, are wholly suppressed; as well as those orders of the French Government, rather than submit to which, this extraordinary man whom the *virtuous* Leclerc calls perfidious, refused the office of second
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