

APPENDIX [A.]

Extract from the Commission of the Governor General,

"AND we do hereby give and grant unto you the said A. B. by yourself or by your captains and commanders by you to be authorised, full power and authority, to levy, arm, muster, command and employ all persons whatsoever residing within our said Province of F.— and other the territories under your government; and, as occasion shall serve, to march them from one place to another, or to embark them, for the resisting and withstanding of all enemies, pirates, and rebels, both at sea and land and to transport such forces to any of our plantations in America if necessity shall require, for the defence of the same, against the invasions, or attempts of any of our enemies; and such enemies, pirates, and rebels, if there shall be occasion to pursue and prosecute in or out of the limits of our said Province and Plantations, or any of them; and if it shall so please God them to vanquish, apprehend and take, and being taken, either according to law to put to death, or keep and preserve alive, at your discretion; and to execute Martial law in time of invasion, war, or other times, when by law it may be executed; and to do and execute all and every other thing and things, which, to our Captain General, and Governor in Chief doth or ought of right to belong.

And forasmuch as divers mutinies and disorders may happen by persons shipped and employed at sea during the time of war; and to the end that such as shall be shipped and employed at sea during time of war, may be better governed and ordered, we do hereby give and grant unto you the said A. B. full power and authority to constitute and appoint Captains, Lieutenants, Masters of Ships, and other Commanders, and Officers, and to grant to such Captains, Lieutenants, Masters of Ships and other Commanders, and Officers