

by the present treaty ; as also the treaty of commerce concluded at Utrecht in 1713, except those articles which are found contrary to the present treaty, which become abolished and of no force, namely, the three articles of the said treaty of Utrecht, commonly called *explanatory*.

X. All the reciprocal differences, rights, demands, and pretensions, which have subsisted between the two crowns of Spain and Great Britain, wherein no other nation hath any part, interest or right of intervention, being hereby accommodated; the two serene Kings mutually engage for the punctual execution of this treaty of reciprocal compensation, which shall be ratified by their said Majesties, and the ratifications exchanged within the term of six weeks, from the day of the signature hereof, or sooner if possible.

It was reasonable to expect that this definitive convention would have determined the disputable points, not regulated, nor settled by the definitive treaty at Aix-la-Chapelle; some of which were nothing less than the very points, which had occasioned so long and expensive a war; to the mutual injury of Great Britain and Spain. These points were, 1. What the common voice included in the words NO SEARCH, and signifies free trade and navigation, in British bottoms, with our West India colonies, without being subject to be boarded by Spanish guarda costas, in open seas, and rummaged or searched by them for Spanish goods, of the growth or manufacture of New Spain or other

Its deficiency in regard to the principal objects of the war.