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quit the same in the space of 30 days, giving them to understand, that they must expect military execution in case of their non-compliance; the nature of such an act, and the terms, in which it is conceived, puts it out of all doubt that it could never have proceeded from the Governor of Barbadoes, but is the work of some evil disposed person, and determines us to waive the demanding any satisfaction from the pretended author of it, who in all probability had no hand in it.

Nevertheless, it being necessary to hinder any person, of what quality, condition, and nation soever they may be, from falling into the snare laid for them: We declare to all the subjects of his Majesty, who are settled upon the said island of Tobago, as well whites, as Indians, Negroes, Mulattoes, Mestees, and all others, that it may concern, that we will defend them against the attempts, that any nation, strangers to us, may form against the said island; and that we will send them such a quantity of ammunition and provisions, as they may stand in need of.

We prohibit their having any correspondence or dealing with the neighbouring colonies, belonging either to the English, Dutch, or Danes; nor to suffer any of them to continue amongst them; or to permit their coming on shore in the said island of Tobago, until such time, as we shall have sent a commanding officer with regular troops, for their protection and defence.

It is our will, that these presents be read, published, and set up in all the quarters of the said island

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