

Let us examine this curious Piece, and try if we cannot find that the Admiral gave too much Reason for the Conjecture of the Ministry in it. " He is of Opinion " that reinforcing the Garrison of Fort " *St. Phillip* would be of no Service, as " it must in Time surrender." In the Name of Truth, in the Name of Justice, in the Name of common Sense, what is this but saying that his Superiors were Fools, and had sent him to sacrifice unnecessary Lives by throwing them into the Garrison ? " However, he was determined " to sail up to *Minorca*, where he should " be a better Judge of the Situation of " Affairs there, and would give General " *Blakeney* all the Assistance he should require." This Man had *positive* Orders to fight the *French* Fleet, and, if possible, to

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