

authorized to receive it, in three months at most after the exchange of the ratifications of this treaty, and after Louisiana shall be taken possession of in the name of the Government of the United States.

"It is further agreed, that if the French Government should be desirous of disposing of the said stock to receive the capital in Europe, at shorter terms, that its measures for that purpose shall be taken so as to favor, in the greatest degree possible, the credit of the United States, and to raise to the highest price the said stock.

"ART. 3d. It is agreed that the dollar of the United States, specified in the present convention, shall be fixed at five francs ~~15~~, or five livres eight sous tournois. The present convention shall be ratified in good and due form, and the ratifications shall be exchanged in the space of six months, to date from this day, or sooner if possible.

"In faith of which, the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed the above articles both in the French and English languages; declaring, nevertheless, that the present treaty has been originally agreed on and written in the French language, to which they have herennto affixed their seals.

"Done at Paris, the tenth of Floreal, eleventh year of the French Republic (30th April 1803).

"ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON, (L.S.)

"JAMES MONROE, (L.S.)

"BARBE MARBOIS, (L.S.)"

No. 8.

"Convention between the United States of America and the French Republic, also of the same date with the Louisiana Treaty."

"THE President of the United States of America and the First Consul of the French Republic, in the name of the French people, having by a treaty of this date terminated all difficulties relative to Louisiana, and established on a solid foundation the friendship which unites the two nations, and being desirous, in compliance