

Truth. Besides, the *French* Memorial of Justification, given to all the Courts of *Europe*, and printed since the writing the *Fourth Letter*, states the Affair as I relate it, in Consequence of a *Request* *. Thus then the Word of one *M—r* supposing *your Letter to be authentic*, stands directly against another, and ought to be equally regarded ; only this is to be remarked, that your inserting the Copy of this Letter never yet printed and avowed to be genuine, is not equal to the Evidence of the *Authenticity* of that *Memorial* printed in all the *Dutch* and other Gazettes, and signed by the *French* Ministers, particularly as our *M—rs* have never made any Reply to prove the Falshood of the Assertion in that Memorial. So far then, the Argument is in my Favour, that these Prisoners were never demanded. Let me now endeavour at some collateral Proofs to sustain the Truth of what I have asserted.

* Le Marquis de la Jonquiere envoie cès quatre Anglois en France. Detenus quelque temps prisonniers à la Rochelle, ils implorent la protection de Mylord Albemarle, alors Ambassadeur d'Angleterre. Ce Seigneur solicite leur liberté sans se plaindre du motif qui les en a privés. S. M. Très-Chrétienne ordonne qu'ils soient élargis, leur fait même donner quelque argent, & Mylord Albemarle en remercie le Ministre de la Marine, comme d'une grace qui lui est personnelle. En 1751.