

1779. *Wednesday.* D'Estaing goes ashore at the mole, from which he returns
 Aug. 4. ^{by land} some days afterwards.

7th. *Saturday.* Arrival at Port au Prince of the division of the *Fendant*,
 commanded by M. de Vaudrenil, and embarkation of the troops.

10th. Fête given at the Cape,¹ on board the *Languedoc*, by Count D'Estaing,
 in celebration of the alliance with Spain.

11th. *Wednesday.* Removal of the troops from the Wind-ward islands and
 their location in ships and frigates other than those in which they had
 been embarked for the Cape.

13th. *Friday.* M. de Vaudrenil's division leaves Port au Prince for the
 mole of St. Nicholas, where it arrives on the 26th,² and receives troops
 on board.

16th. *Monday.* Count D'Estaing sails from the Cape with the fleet, and a
 convoy from the Wind-ward islands and St. Domingo composed of sixty
 sails.³ During this voyage of the 17th and 18th the squadron keeps
 to the windward, and is joined by the division of M. de Vaudrenil which
 left the mole on the 17th.

18th. *Wednesday.* Passed near Tortugas.

19th. *Thursday.* Came in sight of Great Inagua, a low and uninhabited
 island.

20th. *Friday.* Sighted and passed to the leeward of Miraporvos and the
 Fortune islands, a cluster of low lying islands, and like Inagua, unin-
 habited. In the afternoon of the same day we observed Crooked island.

¹ François.

² Should be the 16th; see postea.

³ Marshall, in his *Life of Washington*, [vol. IV, p. 95. Philadelphia, 1805] computes
 the strength of the land army on board the fleet, at six thousand men.