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British and Netherlands Mixed
Court of Justice, Sierra Leone.

Before Thomas Gregory Esquire, His Britannic
Majesty's ~~Chief~~ Judge and James
Latham Esquire, the ~~Chief~~ Judge on the part
of the Majesty the King of the Netherlands.

Present Daniel Moly Hamilton Esquire
Notary Public Registrar.

Saturday, the 13th day of
November in the year of our
Lord 1816.

Ship & Chowner John Discombe Master.

J^{rs} Discombe Master, Charles Northrop
a Passenger, John Rogers Mate, and John Hatchett
a Seaman sworn and examined on Interrogatories put
by the Court - John Discombe brought in a Journal
and an Invoice relative to said Ship & Chowner.

at the time of passing the said sentence seven
 Men, eight Women, thirteen Boys, and four girls
 children under fourteen years of age, did compose
 the whole of the slaves so decreed to be emancipated.
 Ordered that the following Liberation of said slaves be entered -
 I do hereby certify that the said Schooner Virginia because she
 had of slaves on Board made all children apparently born since she
 left and without their parents being with them, which provisions shall
 they were certainly bought and conveyed on Board the Schooner from
 other parts of than Africa, and in this my opinion I am
 the more confirmed by the other answers on the questions put by the Court
 John Peterson the only Sailor on Board said Schooner when she was
 captured, the Master and the crew having left her moments previous
 to the King of War taken possession of her, but that myself on duty
 bound to state, that I felt it my duty to state, that I did not see
 the Netherlands or British Navy and regular Commissioned
 search vessel according to the treaty between the King of the
 the Netherlands and the King of Great Britain
 past on the 4th of May 1783. I shall in any way state, from
 the above mentioned treaty and their instructions, as has
 been done in my opinion, by Lieutenant Logan
 commanding H. B. King's Ship the 1st of
 Board the King of War, this sailor as being the only man
 on board the Virginia caught on no consideration to
 have been removed, as Article 3 of the Instructions for the Ships
 says "the crew, Master, and part at least of the crew shall be left on board
 lands in the 2^d place for removing half of the slaves without stating
 the necessity of so doing by written certificate in form as is likewise
 specified, by Article 3 of said Instructions."

The said ~~Commissioner~~ judges also decreed
 a Commission of Appraisement and sale to
 James Woods Esquire, that he reduce into writing a full
 true and perfect inventory of the said Schooner
 Virginia and that he choose two good and lawful
 men well experienced in such affairs and swear
 them faithfully and justly to appraise the same
 according to their true value and that he so appraise
 and value or cause the same to be so appraised and
 valued and the appraisement being taken that
 he expose or cause the aforesaid Schooner Virginia
 to be sold to the best bidder, and that the pay or
 cause to be paid the produce money arising from
 such sale into the hands of the Registrar of this
 Court within two months from the day of the
 date hereof, and that at the same time he duly
 transmit the Appraisement subscribed by himself
 and the two Appraisers together with the Account of
 such sale also subscribed by himself to the said
~~Commissioner~~ judges together with the said Commission
 of Appraisement and sale.

British and Netherlands Mixed Court
 of Justice Sierra Leone.

Before Thomas Gregory Esquire the British
 Majesty's ~~Commissioner~~ Judge and Dove Van Lint
 Esquire ~~Commissioner~~ Judge on the part of the Majesty
 the King of the Netherlands

Present Daniel Molloy Hamilton Esquire
 Notary Public Registrar

Saturday the 20th day of
 November in the year of our
 Lord 1789.

Sierra Leone
 John Discombe Master

The said ~~Commissioner~~ judges having examined
 the papers of the said Schooner and received the Depositions
 of John Discombe, Charles Northrop, James Rogers, John
 Hatchett, Isaac, Robert Trumans, and P. Holyoake -
 as well as the declaration of Robert Logan Esquire the
 Captor directed the cause to stand over for further
 hearing before them and La Pierre Guillaume Rousseau
 Esquire one of the ~~Commissioners~~ Arbitrators, who was
 drawn by lot by reason of the said ~~Commissioner~~ judges
 not agreeing in the sentence they ought to pronounce.

British and Netherlands Mixed
Court of Justice Sierra Leone.

Before Thomas Gregory and Louis Van Tortema
Esquires ~~judges~~ and Edward
Fitzgerald and De Klerk Guillaume Bonnessie
Esquires Arbitrators.

Present Daniel Molloy Hamilton Esquire
Notary Public Registrar.

Tuesday the 23rd day of
November in the year of our
Lord 1819.

Aliza Schooner
John Discombe Master.

Robert Hagan Esquire moved for publication
of papers and leave to file Interrogatories which
was allowed.

The following minutes of the sitting of the 8th
November being read at the request of the undersigned
Arbitrators of the Britannic Majesty (The Court
refused to admit Proctor) the said Arbitrators declare
that he is not to be understood as having been a
party to the non admission of Proctor, otherwise
there is not necessarily and universally recognizing
them as officers or attendants of the Court. It is not
by any means to be understood as being disposed
to refuse such aid when parties should consider it
necessary to the due management of their affairs
before the Court. Edward Fitzgerald

British and Netherlands Mixed
Court of Justice Sierra Leone.

Before Thomas Gregory and Louis Van Tortema
Esquires judges of the Majesty the King of Great
Britain and the Majesty the King of the
Netherlands.

Present Daniel Molloy Hamilton Esquire Notary
Public Registrar

Thursday the 25th day of
November in the year of our
Lord 1819.

Aliza Schooner - John Discombe Master
The following declarations of objections of the said
Louis Van Tortema Esquire was ordered to be inserted.

Objections of the judge of the Netherlands
in the 1st Place to the manner in which the search
was made on Boarding the Aliza, because an
attempt was made, to wound the Captain of said
Vessel as is stated by him, This is against the 3^d
Article of Instructions for Woods, where it is said
"the search shall be done in the mildest manner,
and with every attention which is due between
allied and friendly nations" 2^dly for removing
said Captain and the whole of his crew from on
board his vessel, and keeping him nearly 20 Days on
board of the Brig of War, and returning him to his
vessel without any or part of his crew, being contrary
to the 3rd Article of his Instructions, likewise for
taking the only two Slave boys on Board, without
producing a written Certificate of so doing, as stated
in the said Article. And lastly for putting 15
Crown and 15 Slaves on board the Aliza
exclusive of the Midshipman and Sea Cooks, quite
sufficient for navigating said Schooner, and
feeding the said Crew and Slaves from the Provisions of the Brig

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Afterwards on the same day
Before the said Judges and Arbitrator
Guillaume Bonnaville Esquire Arbitrator
on the part of His Majesty the King of the
Netherlands.

Present Daniel M'Elroy Hamilton Esquire
Sole Public Register.

Thos Schooner

John Discombe Master.

The said Judges and Arbitrator having
examined the papers of the said Schooner and
received the depositions of John Discombe, Charles
Hilthorpe, James Rogers, John Kitchell, Buss,
Robert Trumans, and P. Polypak, as well as the
declarations of Robert Hagan Esquire the captor,
pronounced the said Schooner, Toys, her tackle,
apparel, and furniture, and the goods, wares and
merchandise laden thereon to have been at the
time of the capture and seizure thereof engaged
with the Dutch traffick in Slaves, and as such subject
and liable to confiscation, and condemned the
said Schooner her tackle, apparel, and furniture,
and the goods, wares, and merchandise laden
thereon, as lawful prey, and as such to be
licit traffick, by His Britannic Majesty's Brig
of War Trusty, Robert Hagan Esquire, Commander,
and moreover pronounced the said Slaves, Native
of Africa to be emancipated from Slavery, and
to be employed as servant or free labourers, and
also, that it had been proved that at the time of
passing the said sentences one Marsden combred
the whole of the Slaves as seized to be emancipated.

The said Judges and Arbitrator also granted
a Commission of Appraisement and Sale to
James W. Esquire, that he should in writing

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submit, true and perfect inventory of the said Schooner
Thos and that he should buy and lawful men
well experienced in such affairs and in appraisement
faithfully and justly to appraise and value the
the same to be so appraised and valued in the
appraisement being taken that he express or cause
the said Schooner Thos and all and
singular threads, wares and merchandises on board
thereon to be sold to the best bidder, and that he pay
or cause to be paid the produce money arising from
such sale into the hands of the Register of the
Court within two months from the date of the date
hereof, and that at the same time he truly transmit
the appraisement subscribed by himself and
the two appraisers together with the account of
such sale also subscribed by himself to the said
Judges and Arbitrator together with the said
Commission of Appraisement and Sale.