

The Case of the Schooner the Francisco,
Francisco Cruz Master sailing under Spanish
Colours.

This Vessel was fitted out
in August last at Matanza in the
Island of Cuba by Madden Simpson,
supposed to be subjects of the
United States, with a crew of Twenty
three Individuals, exclusive of the
Master who was a Spaniard, the
Supercargo, a Mr. Mackenzie, the first
and second Mate and eight of the
Crew were subjects of the United
States, the rest consisted of Spaniards.

The Master and Supercargo
of the Francisco with all the Vessel's
papers were on shore at the time
of the capture which took place
on the night of the 30th January
by the boats of His Majesty's Ship the
Tartar Commodore Sir Geo. Collier;
he was at an anchor in the River
Ponga in Lat 10.10 N. and 40 miles
west of Sierra Leone :-
There

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Examined 20 Feb. 1826

Ordered by the Admiralty
No. 1.

Account of Capture and
Redemption of the Span-
ish Schooner the Francisco

By J. May 11.

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There were found on board
Sixty nine Slaves -

The *Francisco* was brought
to Sierra Leone on the 5th Inst, and on
the 8th the Court proceeded to the
Adjudication -

The fact of their being Sixty
nine Slaves found on board, and the
declarations on oath of the first and
second Mates of the Schooner to the
Interrogatories put to them, that
the Slaves were all shipped in the
River Ponga, carry such conviction
with it of the illicit traffic in
which the Vessel was engaged, that
the Court had no hesitation in
pronouncing immediate sentence
of condemnation against her, and
the emancipation of the Sixty nine
Slaves -

Sierra Leone 8th February 1820

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