

whom he had, with no hope of receiving in season the reinforcements he had solicited, it was impossible to resist six hundred men who attacked him by sea, and seven hundred who were coming by land, he deemed it prudent to try and obtain favorable terms, rather than risk the consequence of a useless resistance. Hence, the same day, before the expiration of the term granted him, he capitulated on the following conditions :

1st, That two vessels should be furnished him, provisioned to go to Havana. 2nd, That the Spaniards should take with them neither arms nor munitions of war. 3rd, That all hostilities should cease for a week after the departure of the garrison, and in case of their putting back, for a week more.¹

As soon as this capitulation was signed by the two commandants, the garrison on the 15th marched forth and encamped outside. Mr. de Chateaugué entered with three hundred men, and began by making an inventory of all he found there. On the 18th of June, the Governor of Pensacola sailed for Havana with four hundred Spaniards on the Comte de Toulouse and the Marechal Villars, commanded by Mr. Méchin and the Chevalier de Grieu.² These two ships were attacked off the coast of Cuba by English privateers, who, not perceiving the superiority of their antagonists until they were so engaged that they could not easily escape, sent to apologize to the commandants for mistaking them for Spaniards.³ This might be ; but it is well known that such mistakes are so common with the English, that we would be justified in not always overlooking them.

Meanwhile, Don Gregorio Guaço, the commander at Havana, had just sent out a fleet under Don Alphonso Carrascosa de la Torre, to expel the English from Fort

¹ Bienville to minister, Oct. 20, 1719. Laval, Voyage, p. 103 ; Dumont, Memoires Historiques, p. 11 ; Barcia, Ensayo Cronologico, p. 349, gives the articles in full ; Pénicaut, Relation, ch. 21. Le Page du Pratz, i., pp. 93-5.

² The prisoners were sent under the charge of Capt. de Richebourg. Dumont, Memoires, p. 11. Le Page du Pratz, i., p. 95.

³ Barcia, Ensayo Cronologico, p. 350.