

The firing was vigorous on both sides all day, but not very effective. In the evening, Don Bruno Cavallero sent to summon Mr. de Chateaugué to surrender as a prisoner of war, with all his garrison, declaring that if he waited till his batteries were planted, he would give quarter to none. He asked till ten the next morning to decide, and this was granted; but the Spanish commandant occupied with strong detachments all the passes by which the Indians could come to the relief of the French. Chateaugué was bent on resisting to the last extremity, but his soldiers all unanimously declaring that they would not fight against the Spaniards, he was forced to surrender, and at the hour designated, he obtained these terms: That he should march out of his fort with all the honors of war, and be conveyed to Spain. Then almost all the French enlisted in the Spanish troops, except some who were thrown into the holds of vessels, tied hand and foot. The Governor, his lieutenant, the Director of the Company and all the officers, were paroled, while the vessel was fitting out to convey them to Havana.<sup>1</sup> That same day Carrascosa took possession of the fort, which he found well supplied with munitions and merchandise: he restored Don Juan Pedro Matamoros as Governor, and left there a sufficient garrison.<sup>2</sup>

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Capture of  
the fort.

On the 25th of August he dispatched Captain Don Francisco Mendez to the Viceroy of New Spain, to bear tidings of the success of his enterprise, and that officer found Don Francisco Cornejo still at Vera Cruz with his squadron. The Marquis de Valero, charmed to learn that Pensacola had returned to the rule of his royal master, at once ordered Cornejo to set sail and to add to his squadron the ships just arrived from Havana under the command of Don Francisco Guerrero, in order to expel the French entirely from the Gulf of Mexico. Carrasco-

Dumont says that he was arrested and made a prisoner in violation of the capitulation, *Memoires*, ii., p. 15.

Barcia, *Ensayo Cronologico*, pp.

353-4. Bienville to minister, Oct. 20, 1719. Laval, *Voyage*, p. 106: Bénard de la Harpe, p. 150. Pénicaut, ch. 21, § 3. Le Page du Pratz, i., p. 96-7.