

taken, or, at latest four months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty, in whatever places the said papers or documents may be found.

XXIV. As it is necessary to assign a fixed epoch for the restitutions, and the evacuations to be made by each of the high contracting parties; it is agreed, that the British & French troops shall complete, before the 15th of March next, all that shall remain to be executed of the 12th and 13th articles of the preliminaries, signed the 3d day of November last, with regard to the evacuation to be made in the Empire, or elsewhere. The island of Belleisle shall be evacuated six weeks after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty, or sooner if it can be done. Guadalupe, Desirade, Marie Galante, Martinico, and St. Lucia three months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty, or sooner if it can be done. Great Britain shall likewise, at the end of 3 months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty, or sooner if it can be done, enter into possession of the river and port of the Mobile, and of all that is to form the limits of the territory of Great Britain, on the side of the river Mississippi, as they are specified in the 7th article. The island of Gorée shall be evacuated by Great Britain, three months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty: And the island of Minorca, by France, at the same epoch, or sooner if it can be done: And, according to the conditions of the 6th article, France shall likewise enter into possession of the islands of St. Peter, and Miquelon, at the end of three months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty. The factories in the East Indies shall be restored six months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty, or sooner if it can be done. The fortresses of the Havannah, with all that has been conquered in the island of Cuba, shall be restored 3 months after the exchange of the ratifications of the present treaty, or sooner if it can be done: And, at the same time, Great Britain shall enter into possession of the country ceded by Spain, according to the 20th article. All the places and countries of his most Faithful majesty in Europe, shall be restored immediately after