

Informs me of the Grenades having Surrendered on the 5th of that month, on the same Terms as Martinique; And that he had sent to take possession of S^t Lucia, S^t Vincent, & Tobago, the former of which had also Capitulated.

The General likewise Acquaints me that on the 8th a French Fleet had appeared to windward of the Island, and he was in hopes, would have attempted to have Landed; but on the Intelligence of the Islands being taken they made off: The Admiral Sailed after them, but had not the good Luck to overtake them; he was however going out again with the greatest part of the Fleet the day that General Monckton sent his Dispatches.

I am, with great Regard

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

Jeff: Amherst

His Excellency Governor Sharpe.

[Sharpe to Egremont.]

Letter Bk. III

To the R^t Hoⁿble The Earl of Egremont. Ann^s 20th April

1762.

My Ld.

Having on the 18th Inst received Your Ldp's Letter dated the 7th of Jan^y notifying to me that His Majesty for the just & indispensable Reasons set forth in his Declaration had found it necessary to declare War against the King of Spain & signifying it to be the King's pleasure that I should cause the same to be proclaimed within this Govern^t I do myself the honour to inform Your Ldp that in Obedience to such His Majesty's Commands I this Day caused the Declaration to be published in this City in the most solemn manner & have also issued Proclamations for publishing the same in the several Counties of this Province. I beg leave also to assure Your Ldp that I will take effectual Care to prevent His Majesty's Enemies being furnished with Provisions Ammunition or any kind of Stores from this Province; most fervently wishing His Majesty's wise Measures may be crowned with such Success as may make this new Enemy repent of the Steps they have taken to make such a War necessary & that every Event may contribute to advance His Glory & his people's prosperity I am with utmost Respect—