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SLAVE TRADE (SHERBRO).

COPIES of TREATIES with NATIVE CHIEFS of the *Sherbro* Country for the
SUPPRESSION of the SLAVE TRADE.

Colonial Office, }
July 1855. }

JOHN BALL.

COPIES of TREATIES with NATIVE CHIEFS of the *Sherbro* Country for the
SUPPRESSION of the SLAVE TRADE.

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES to the Treaty between *Benjamin Chilly Campbell Pine*, Esquire, Acting Governor of the Colony of Sierra Leone, and *Hugh Dunlop*, Esquire, Commander of Her Majesty's ship "Alert," and Senior Officer of the Northern Division of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels on the West Coast of Africa, on behalf of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and *Careybah Caulker*, Chief of Bompey, and *Thomas Stephen Caulker*, Chief of the Plantain Islands, and other Chiefs of the *Sherbro* Country, Parties thereto, Friends and Allies of the said *Careybah Caulker* and *Thomas Stephen Caulker*; signed at Tasso, in the *Sherbro* Country, the 4th day of July 1849.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make further additions to the aforesaid Treaty.

It is therefore hereby agreed between his Excellency, Arthur Edward Kennedy, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the colony of Sierra Leone and its Dependencies, Vice-Admiral, Chancellor and Ordinary of the same, on behalf of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and the aforesaid *Careybah Caulker*, Chief of Bompey, and *Thomas Stephen Caulker*, Chief of the Plantain Islands, *Pierre Charley*, King of *Sherbro*, *Harry Tucker*, Chief of *Shebar*, and *William Tucker*, Chief of *Bullom* and *Boom* Rivers :

1. The Cruisers of the British Government, or any officer deputed by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone, whenever they fall in with any vessels or boats belonging to the people of *Sherbro* suspected of being engaged in the Slave Trade, or with any vessels or boats belonging to other nations within the waters of the Chiefs of *Sherbro* suspected of being engaged in the Slave Trade, may detain and search them, and in case of their finding that any of the vessels or boats aforesaid belonging to the people of *Sherbro* have violated this engagement, by the exportation of slaves from the Coasts of Africa or elsewhere, or that the vessels and boats belonging to other nations have been engaged in the Slave Trade within the waters of the Chiefs of *Sherbro* upon any pretext whatever, they (the Government cruisers or officers deputed by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone) may seize and confiscate the same; and the vessels and boats so seized shall be taken to Sierra Leone, to be tried by English law; and when condemned shall be sold, and the produce of the sale shall be divided equally between the Queen of England and the chief or chiefs of *Sherbro*, and the slaves who were found on board shall be made free.

2. The Queen of England shall have the right to demand the surrender of criminals or other persons, being British subjects, or liberated Africans, or
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others, resident in Sierra Leone, accused of any crime or offence, committed within the colony of Sierra Leone or its dependencies, cognisable by the laws of England, for the purpose of being tried for such offence in Sierra Leone, or such British colony as the Queen of England may think fit to appoint. And the chiefs of Sherbro, parties to this treaty, hereby bind themselves to secure and surrender all British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, who may be charged with any crime or offence, as aforesaid, upon demand being made for them, by His Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone, or any other competent authority.

3. The Queen of England shall have also the right to demand the surrender of criminals or other persons, being British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, charged with any crime or offence committed within the territories of the chiefs of Sherbro, cognisable by the laws of England, for the purpose of being tried for such offence in Sierra Leone or such British colony as the Queen of England may think fit to appoint. And the Chiefs of Sherbro, parties to this treaty, hereby bind themselves to secure and surrender all British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others resident in Sierra Leone, who may be charged with any crime or offence as aforesaid, upon demand being made for them by His Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone or any other competent authority.

4. English people may buy and sell, or hire lands and houses in the Sherbro country, and their houses shall not be entered without their consent, nor shall their goods be seized nor their persons touched; and if English people are wronged or ill-treated by the people of Sherbro, the Chiefs of Sherbro shall punish those who wrong or ill-treat the English people.

5. But English people must not break the laws of the Sherbro country, and when they are accused of breaking the laws, the chiefs shall send a true account of the matter to the nearest place where there is an English force, and the commander of such English force shall send for the English person, who shall be tried according to English law, and shall be punished if found guilty.

6. If the Sherbro people should take away the property of an English person, the Chiefs of Sherbro shall do all they can to make the Sherbro people restore the property and pay the debt; and if English persons should take away the property of the Sherbro people, or should not pay their just debts to the Sherbro people, the Chiefs shall make known the facts to the commander of the English force nearest to the Sherbro country, or to the resident agent, if there is one; and the English commander, or the agent, whichever it may be, shall do all he can to make the English persons restore the property and pay the debt.

Done at Freetown, Sierra Leone, this 31st day of March, in the year of our Lord 1853, and of Her Majesty's reign the sixteenth.

(signed) *A. E. Kennedy*, Governor. (L.S.)

^{his}
Careybah + Caulker, Chief of Bompey. (L.S.)

^{mark.}
Thomas S. Caulker, Chief of Plantain Islands. (L.S.)

^{his}
Harry + Tucker, Chief of Shebar. (L.S.)

^{mark.}
^{his}
Pierre + Charley, King of Sherbro. (L.S.)

^{mark.}
William Tucker, Chief of Bullom and Boom Rivers. (L.S.)

Witnesses :

(signed) *John Carr*, Chief Justice.

J. F. Smyth, Colonial Secretary.

Charles Fortune.

C. H. Tucker.

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES to the Treaty between *Benjamin Chilley Campbell Pine*, Esquire, Acting Governor of the Colony of Sierra Leone, and *Hugh Dunlop*, Esquire, Commander of Her Majesty's ship "Alert," and Senior Officer of the Northern Division of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels on the West Coast of Africa, on behalf of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and *Careybah Caulker*, Chief of the Bompey, and *Thomas Stephen Caulker*, Chief of the Plantain Islands, and other Chiefs of the Sherbro Country, Parties thereto, Friends and Allies of the said *Careybah Caulker* and *Thomas Stephen Caulker*; signed at Tasso, in the Sherbro Country, the 4th day of July 1849.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make further additions to the aforesaid Treaty.

It is therefore hereby agreed between Thomas Stephen Caulker, Chief of the Plantain Islands, Commissioner, duly authorised and empowered by his Excellency Arthur Edward Kennedy, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the colony of Sierra Leone and its dependencies, Vice-Admiral, Chancellor, and Ordinary of the same, on behalf of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and Ibiboo Salifoo Calipha and Cabouka, also Chiefs in and about the Sherbro Country, Pah Rakey, Chief of "Baly," "Somanker," Chief of "Tassomanker," "Soloko," Chief of "Robannah:"

1. The cruisers of the British Government, or any officer deputed by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone, whenever they fall in with any vessels or boats belonging to the people of Sherbro, suspected of being engaged in the Slave Trade, or with any vessels or boats belonging to other nations within the waters of the Chiefs of Sherbro, suspected of being engaged in the Slave Trade, may detain and search them; and in case of their finding that any of the vessels or boats aforesaid, belonging to the people of Sherbro, have violated this engagement, by the exportation of slaves from the coasts of Africa or elsewhere, or that the vessels and boats belonging to other nations have been engaged in the Slave Trade within the waters of the Chiefs of Sherbro, upon any pretext whatever, they (the Government cruisers or officers deputed by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone) may seize and confiscate the same, and the vessels and boats so seized shall be taken to Sierra Leone to be tried by English law, and when condemned shall be sold, and the produce of the sale shall be divided equally between the Queen of England and the Chief or Chiefs of Sherbro, and the slaves who were found on board shall be free.

2. The Queen of England shall have the right to demand the surrender of criminals, or other persons, being British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, accused of any crime or offence committed within the colony of Sierra Leone or its dependencies, cognisable by the laws of England, for the purpose of being tried for such offence in Sierra Leone, or such British colony as the Queen of England may think fit to appoint. And the Chiefs of Sherbro, parties to this treaty, hereby bind themselves to secure and surrender all British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, who may be charged with any crime or offence as aforesaid, upon demand being made for them by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone, or any other competent authority.

3. The Queen of England shall have also the right to demand the surrender of criminals, or other persons, being British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, charged with any crime or offence committed within the territories of the Chiefs of Sherbro, cognisable by the laws of England, for the purpose of being tried for such offence in Sierra Leone, or such British colony as the Queen of England may think fit to appoint. And the Chiefs of Sherbro, parties to this treaty, hereby bind themselves to secure and surrender all British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, who may be charged with any crime or offence as aforesaid, upon demand being made for them by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone, or any other competent authority.

4. English people may buy and sell or hire lands and houses in the Sherbro Country, and their houses shall not be entered without their consent, nor shall
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their goods be seized, nor their persons touched; and if English people are wronged or ili-treated by the people of Sherbro, the Chiefs of Sherbro shall punish those who wrong or ill-treat the English people.

5. But English people must not break the laws of the Sherbro country, and when they are accused of breaking the laws, the Chiefs shall send a true account of the matter to the nearest place where there is an English force, and the commander of such English force shall send for the English person, who shall be tried according to English law, and shall be punished if found guilty.

6. If the Sherbro people should take away the property of an English person, the Chiefs of Sherbro shall do all they can to make the Sherbro people restore the property and pay the debt; and if English persons should take away the property of the Sherbro people, or should not pay their just debts to the Sherbro people, the Chiefs shall make known the facts to the commander of the English force nearest to the Sherbro country, or to the resident agent, if there is one; and the English commander, or agent, whichever it may be, shall do all he can to make the English persons restore the property and pay the debt.

Done at Bendoo, this 9th day of May, in the year of our Lord 1853, and in the 16th year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

(signed) ^{his}
Ibiboo × *Salifoo*, Chief of Jong. (L. S.)
mark.

^{his}
Mahamadoo × *Calipha*, Chief of Barmah. (L. S.)
mark.

Done at Marnow, in Bagroo, this 19th day of May, in the year of Our Lord 1853, in the sixteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

(signed) ^{his}
Cabouka × Chief of Bagroo.
mark.

^{his}
Pah Rakey × Chief of Baly.
mark.

Witnesses :

(signed) *Nathl. Nathan.*
J. W. Smith.

Done at Tassomanker, this 21st day of May, in the year of our Lord 1853, and in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

(signed) ^{his}
Somankee, × Chief of Tassomanker.
mark.

^{his}
Soloko × Chief of Robannah.
mark.

} Bagroo River.

Witnesses :

(signed) *Nathl. Nathan.*
J. W. Smith.

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES to the Treaty between *Benjamin Chilly Campbell Pine*, Esquire, Acting Governor of the Colony of Sierra Leone, and *Hugh Dunlop*, Esquire, Commander of Her Majesty's ship "Alert," and Senior Officer of the Northern Division of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels on the West Coast of Africa, on behalf of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and *Caureybah Caulker*, Chief of Bompey, and *Thomas Stephen Caulker*, Chief of the Plantain Islands, and other Chiefs of the Sherbro Country, Parties thereto, Friends and Allies of the said *Caureybah Caulker*, and *Thomas Stephen Caulker*; signed at Tasso, in the Sherbro Country, the 4th day of July 1849.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make further additions to the aforesaid Treaty.

It is therefore hereby agreed between his Excellency Arthur Edward Kennedy, Captain-general and Governor-in-chief in and over the colony of Sierra Leone and its dependencies, Vice-Admiral, Chancellor, and Ordinary of the same, on behalf of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and Kanray Coomba, and John Fortune :

1. The cruisers of the British Government, or any officer deputed by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone, whenever they fall in with any vessels or boats belonging to the people of Sherbro, suspected of being engaged in the Slave Trade, or with any vessels or boats belonging to other nations within the waters of the Chiefs of the Sherbro, suspected of being engaged in the Slave Trade, may detain and search them, and in case of their finding that any of the vessels or boats aforesaid belonging to the people of Sherbro have violated this engagement, by the exportation of slaves from the coasts of Africa or elsewhere, or that the vessels and boats belonging to other nations have been engaged in the Slave Trade within the waters of the Chiefs of Sherbro, upon any pretext whatever, they (the Government cruisers or officers deputed by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone) may seize and confiscate the same, and the vessels and boats so seized shall be taken to Sierra Leone to be tried by English law, and when condemned shall be sold, and the produce of the sale shall be divided equally between the Queen of England and the Chief or Chiefs of Sherbro, and the slaves who were found on board shall be made free.

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3. The Queen of England shall have also the right to demand the surrender of criminals, or other persons, being British subjects or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, charged with any crime or offence committed within the territories of the Chiefs of Sherbro, cognisable by the laws of England, for the purpose of being tried for such offence in Sierra Leone, or such British colony as the Queen of England may think fit to appoint. And the Chiefs of Sherbro, parties to this treaty, bind themselves to secure and surrender all British subjects, or liberated Africans, or others, resident in Sierra Leone, who may be charged with any crime or offence as aforesaid, upon demand being made for them by his Excellency the Governor of Sierra Leone, or any other competent authority.

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are wronged or ill-treated by the people of Sherbro, the Chiefs of Sherbro shall punish those who wrong or ill-treat the English people.

5. But English people must not break the laws of the Sherbro country ; and when they are accused of breaking the law, the Chiefs shall send a true account of the matter to the nearest place where there is an English force ; and the commander of such English force shall send for the English person, who shall be tried according to English law, and shall be punished if found guilty.

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Done at Freetown, Sierra Leone, this 17th day of April, in the year of our Lord 1854, and of Her Majesty's reign the seventeenth.

(signed) ^{his}
John × Fortune. (L. s.)
mark.

A. E. Kennedy, Governor. (L. s.)

Witnesses :

(signed) *W. Kynaston Jolliffe.*
John M'Cormack.

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