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St. James's Wash. Lond. Sept 9th 1760.

Y^r. of. Biscayans & Guipuscoons complain they are prevented by y^r. English from enjoying their undoubted privilege of Whale fishing on y^r. Coast of Newfoundland.

Y^r. Biscayans & Guipuscoons certainly discovered y^r. Island of Florentia, its name & y^r. of most of its Harbors & Ports ~~already~~ ^{whale fishery} Spanish. Y^r. Biscayans have always ~~possessed~~ ^{whale fishery} there till a little after y^r. Peace of Utrecht; that Branch of Trade was open to all; y^r. rapidity with which England has increased in y^r. Commerce gives her no title to be sole Mistress of this Fishery.

The France gave up to Britain by y^r. Treaty of Utrecht y^r. provinces therein stipulated, England cannot from y^r. pretend to dispute y^r. rights of Spain y^r. 15th Art. of y^r. Treaty of Utrecht exacts y^r. as y^r. Biscayans & other Spanish Subjects claim a right to fish on y^r. Coast of Newfoundland, England consents to admit all or any of y^m. to enjoy this privilege y^r. can clearly prove their right.

altho' this seems very dear the Spaniards have ever been interrupted in their fishery, & on complaints no answer obtained from Britain but Chicanery.

M^r. D. to St. Bristol Lond. Sept. 26. 1760.

Y^r. of. H. will ~~not consent~~ ^{never consent} to his Subjects being so grossly injured, no Nation having any right to fish on y^r. Coast of Newfoundland, indeed y^r. French by y^r. Treaty of Utrecht are permitted to cure fish on y^r. Coast under certain restrictions

yt. Spain ^{is most} ~~is most~~ preparing with regard to their
Logwood Coasts in America, yt. ~~Spain~~ is full of
indecency, & yt. he hopes they will take a friendly
hint before tis too late, for Britain is not to be
intimidated.

yt. yt. K. is ready to give all just satisfaction for
yt. Fortifications & Settlements ^{erected there} ~~on yt. Logwood Coasts~~
& equitably to ~~adjust~~ ^{adjust} yt. disputes concerning yt. Letters
Logwood, if Spain will enter into Negotiation on
this point, which C. Fuentes's Mem. seems absolutely
to shut of. door to.

M^r. Wall's letters to Sir Benj. Moore Sept. 15th 1754.
says yt. K. of Spain (on account of his firm
persuasion yt. all such points as deserve to be
discuss'd will be amicably adjust'd with yt. K. of
G. Britain) has dispatch'd Orders to suspend yt.
Execution of yt. Measures for destroying yt. British
Settlements on yt. Logwood Coasts, & yt. M. Cath. Maj.
in return hopes orders will be sent to yt. English
Sea & Land Commanders to recall whatever Orders
May have been given contrary to yt. good Harmony
& Friendship which subsists between yt. two Nations
& yt. K. of Spain is desirous to adjust amicably all
all such Differences & accidents as might otherwise
interrupt it

yt. K. is willing to make just satisfaction for yt. forts &
Settlements on yt. Logwood Coasts of America; but
as long as yt. Peace of Utrecht is acknowledged, which
King Philip V. our. M^{ost} of Spain, will explicitly

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