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Refugees by such opportunities as offer to  
Bermuda (the only British Port they  
communicate with) which proceeding  
therefore notwithstanding what is set forth  
in your Letter on this subject, I am  
consequently obliged still to authorize the  
continuance of, at the same time requesting  
you to understand that whenever you  
have an opportunity of forwarding any  
number of these Refugees, so sent to Bermuda  
on to Halifax, it is advisable, and is also  
the Wish and Direction of the Commander  
in Chief that they be sent there, as the  
liberality of the laws at Halifax do not  
oppose any difficulty on account of Colour  
to People landing there and endeavoring  
by honest labor to earn there their own  
Maintenance.

This Letter with the accompanying  
Documents will of course prove sufficient  
Sanction for such Expence as may be  
necessary for you to incur to give effect  
to, and to act up to the Suggestions herein  
contained which together with the temporary  
inconvenience they may create is perhaps  
nearly if not quite counterbalanced by the  
injury

Comd<sup>r</sup>

Per Anna Maria  
24<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1844

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