

was most injurious to the Colonists.

In consequence, on the morning of the 5th the Com-
mander in Chief fitted out five armed boats from the
Constitution, and approached the Barb's Coast with
a flag of truce on board the Constitution and in the
Boats.

Ben Coffee was again sent on shore with a white
flag, to know if the Barb's were willing to treat with
the Carally people for peace. Answer: I said all
to you on yesterday. Ben Coffee returned and said
they were armed and ready. A general order was
given to Cap^t. Rudd, not to fire unless ordered, or
fired upon from the shore. — A further order was
given to Cap^t. Rudd to commence firing signal arti-
cles over the town by the way of intimidating the
inhabitants, and bringing them to a sense of what
was proper; which failing, Lieut. de Camp was
ordered to fire over the town from his 12 pounder.
It was not fired when the Barb's people hoisted
a flag of truce on the beach, when the firing ceased.

Ben Coffee the interpreter was again sent on
shore. He stated on returning, that he had seen
the old King, stated that he begged pardon for what
had been done and wished peace all around.

Ben Coffee further stated that the Barb's people
proposed that the Commodore should come on shore
in the morning, and that in the Commodore's presence
they would arrange the peace. They further re-
quested Ben Coffee to come on shore, and receive
a dispatch for the Commodore, as confirming the peace.

The parties then went through the native
form, "spewed water" and shook hands.

All the parties dined in the Cabin, and
after receiving present from the Commodore

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