

Havana: 25th April 1840.

My Lord;

We have had the honor to receive your Lordship's Despatch No. 2 of 1840, dated the 31st January last, desiring us to return an account of the number of certificates of Emancipation given by the Mixed Court at this place in the years 1838 and 1839, respectively. In reply we beg to state that in 1838 the Court gave for the negroes of the Schooner "Antonica" (landed at Napau) 183 Certificates, and in 1839 for the negroes of the Schooner "Sierra del Pilar" 172.

The numbers certainly are not great, nor the expence comparatively or trouble, so far at least as regards ourselves. But, whatever may be the trouble or expences, they are unnecessary now when the negroes are to be sent to one of the British Colonies, and

The Right Hon^{ble}
The Viscount Palmerston &c. &c.
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H. W. W. Commissioners

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June 12.

By Robert Chapman Secy

Acknowledgment of receipt to Lord Palmerston's despatch No 1 of 1840, communicating the Advocate General's opinion on the case of the "Venezuela".

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