Rio de Janeiro.
7th January 1826

Monsieur le Vicomte,

I beg to state to Your Excellency that I have received applications from two Individuals claiming my Interference to procure their liberation from the Brazilian Service. = One, James Collier, a British Seaman, who was pressed at Bahia, and who declares he has neither entered, nor received the Bounty: = the other, - João Antonio, a Black, who is entitled to British Protection, having come to this Country in His Britannick Majesty's Service, and on board a British Ship of War; and who was pressed at Praya Grande in consequence of having lost my Official Resguarda. = The first

To,
His Excellency
The Visconde de S. Amaro
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first is a Seaman, the last a Carpenter; both serving on board the "Don Pedro Primeiro".—

I beg Your Excellency to cause the requisite Enquiries to be made, and in case these Men have not entered, nor received the Bounty, that you will be pleased to issue Orders for their immediate discharge from the Brazilian Service.

I beg to renew to Your Excellency the Assurances of the perfect Respect with which I have the honour to be,

Monsieur le Vicomte,

Your Excellency's

most obedient

Humble Servant

J. Chamberlain

Consul General