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Streets crossing each other at right angles — the Streets wide — many of the Houses in a grand Style — adorned with elegant Pinnacles & Galleries — The General's House is a most magnificent Building I ever saw — There you see ^{both} Elegance & grandeur — I will not attempt a verbal description of it — for such never conveyed any idea of the look & appearance of an Edifice — — — if I can I will take a view of it — — — instead of a verbal description of this piece of Architecture — I will give a description of a Danish Gentleman's Shirt with my Landlady shewed me — — —

It consists of a fore part like our Shirts with a Collar — the hind part reaches no lower ^{than} just below the Shoulders — & least this should get above the ~~coat~~ Jacket or Coat — (for it hangs by the collar only not being sewed to the forepart) it is tyed round the body by tape Strings fastened

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to the two corners — the Sleeves are not fastened to the body — as with us — but have wristbands at both ends — so that ^{when} one end is dirty — you may shift it end for end — It ~~is~~ altho you may not have the comfort you may — the appearance of clean Linen, at least at the Hands — — — over such Shirts is often worn richly laced Cloaths — — — There is no People I believe on Earth who need to fear undressing before company so little as the English — — —

— They make very good Sugar & rum in the Island — — you have an advantage in it w. of about $\frac{1}{2}$ lb in the English L. — a Joe is here $12\frac{1}{2}$ p 7/8 — But you cannot take sugars unless you bring a Cargo of Provisions & Lumber then you may take one half in Sugar — But I have known the Law evaded — — — The Inhabitants of this Island are very carefull to have the Slaves instructed in the Christian religion — besides a Moravian Preacher who is a kind of Missionary for the Negroes — The Clergy men of the other