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committed to Jail - with two of my People - the other two run away - a Capt Wiley in a Brig from Lisbon was taken by the same privateer & was committed to prison with me - our Rations in Jail - we have a Sufficiency of Bread - 1th meat for 3 days - & as much ^{for 3 days} fewell as with good husbandry would last one day - no roots nor vegetables of any kind allowed us - nor other drink than pump water - of which we have plenty - & very good - The People in this City are very kind & benevolent to us Prisoners - They are daily sending fresh meat - vegetables - fruit - milk - eggs - & goodies - ^{ch} we are a great refreshment to us - & without which - those of us who are without money must have suffered for want of food - W. Miller - Brown - Trinculow - Officers of the

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Arise have been very kind to. Capt W. & they have supplied us with fresh meat & to it full of our wants - Capt Lawlor nor the owners of the Privateer have ^{not} taken the least notice of us -

Retaliation

To retaliate for sending 4 Officers of their armed Vessels to Britain - The Congress ordered the Sashes to be taken away from 4 Rooms where 4 British Seamen were confined ^{in a situation} - they were kept locked up for 15 days no refreshment beyond 4 rations suffered to be sent into 4. - about 20 were committed to 4 dungeon & 4 kept 21 days without fire or candle - for singing some loyal songs - all this in 4 month of January - The Sick are put into an apartment by themselves without nurses or even necessaries - a D^r visits them sometimes once sometimes twice a week - with great difficulty some