

Circular

New Orleans September 19th 1814.

Sir,

Having every reason to believe that there are Agents of the Enemy
Cousily engaged in exciting our Negroes to insurrection, you are hereby required
to cause regular Patrol service to be performed within the limits of your command,
to enforce a Proper Police, to take care, that all negro Cabins and other places
where Arms are most likely to be concealed, be closely examined, and that
the greatest vigilance and activity be exerted in arresting and carrying be-
fore some Judge or Justice of the Peace for examination, all & every per-
son whose conduct, and character, should furnish reasonable ground of
suspicion, of his or their intrigues with the negroes, or being in any manner
connected with the Enemy. I have only to enjoin on you the most faithful atten-
-tion to this order, and that you keep me regularly advised of all occurrences
which may interest the Public safety.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully.

William B. B. Claiborne

