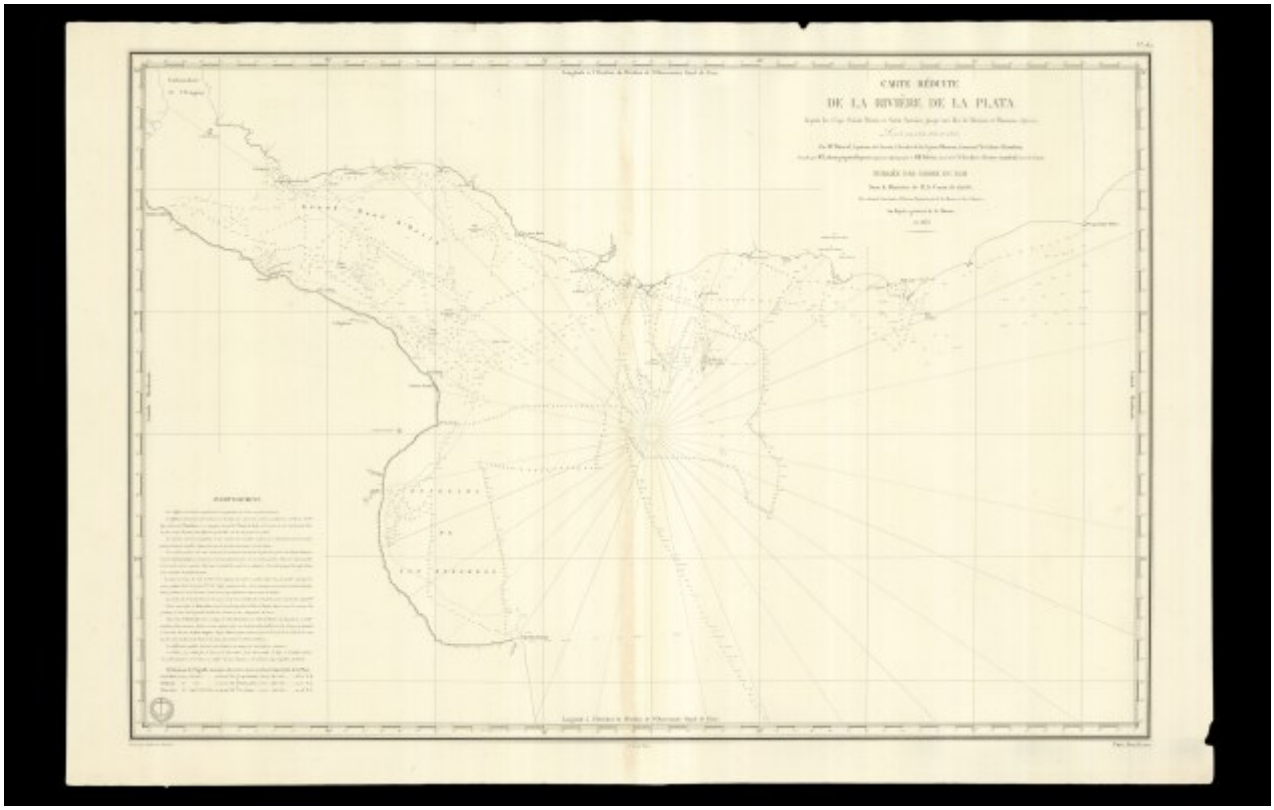


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Nevertheless, France retained its Caribbean colonies of Guadeloupe and Martinique, and French Guiana on the coast of South America, the latter of which Henri Freycinet was such a successful governor, from 1827 to 1829, that he was promoted to Rear-Admiral, and Baron.

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