

our own Credit, to inform your Excellency, that the prevailing Disease, the Scurvy, amongst the Troops, is got to such an alarming Height as seems to us to admit of no Remedy in our present Situation: Every Means has been tried to palliate this formidable Malady, but the daily, and, we may say, the hourly falling down of the Men, baffles all our Endeavours. The different Returns of the Sick will shew your Excellency the Truth of this Assertion; we are sorry to add, that it does not appear to us that any one now in the Hospital will be able to do the smallest Duty under the present Circumstances, where no vegetable Food is to be had or free Air.

We have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) *Geo. Monro*, Physician-General.
William Fellows, Surgeon-General.
D. McNeill, Surgeon to the Naval Hospital.
B. I. Grimshel, Surgeon P. Ernest's
Rabille, Goldacker's.
S. Ferd, Royal Artillery.
Jas. Hall, 51st Regiment.

To His Excellency the Governor.

St. Philip's Castle, February 1, 1782.

SIR,

FROM the Representation made by the Faculty of the Increase of the Sick, &c. the Governor judges it necessary that the Men who are even doing Duty should be examined by the Faculty, and a Report of the State of their Health, particularly with Regard to the Scurvy, to be made to me, for his Excellency's Information.

I am, SIR, &c.

(Signed) *Geo. Don*, Adj. Gen.
Dr. Monro, Physician-General,
 and Director of the Hospital.

St. Philip's Castle, February 3, 1782.

SIR,

AGREABLE to his Excellency's Orders of the 1st Instant, we have made a most careful Examination with Respect to the Health of the Men doing Duty, in consequence of which the inclosed Return is transmitted to you for his Excellency's Information. We judge it necessary to add, that those Men specified in the Returns will, in all Probability, be in a few Days incapable of performing any Duty. from the rapid Progress the Scurvy makes amongst them; neither is it in our Power to check this prevailing Malady; the constant Duty the Men are obliged to perform the Impossibility of procuring any Kind of Vegetables in the present Situation of Affairs, to which we may add, the damp foul Air those Men constantly breathe in the Subterraneans, are Causes sufficient to dread the Consequences.

We have the Honor, &c.

Geo. Monro, Physician-General.
Wm. Fellows, Surgeon-General.
D. McNeill, Surgeon to the Hospital.
John Red, Surgeon to the Hospital.
James Hall, Surgeon 51st.
B. J. Grimshel, Surgeon P. Ernest's.
Rabille, Surgeon Goldacker's.

To Captain George Don, Adj. Gen.

Return of the scorbutic Men (in the four Regiments) now doing Duty in the Garrison of St. Philip's, Feb. 3, 1782.

Cross.	Number of Men.
51st Regiment	120
61st ditto	111
Prince Ernest's 2d Battalion	153
Goldacker's	176
Total	560

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Wm. Fellows, Surgeon General.
D. McNeill, Surgeon to the Naval Hospital.
John Red, Surgeon to the Hospital.
James Hall, Surgeon, 51st Regiment.
S. Mc Cormie, Surgeon's Mate.
B. J. Grimshel, Surgeon, Prince Ernest's.
Rabille, Goldacker's.

Returns made by the Commanding Officers of the Four Regiments, of the Number of Men doing Duty in each, of the Number they furnish daily for Guard, and of the Number deficient for One Relief.

Regiments.	N ^o of Men doing Duty.	N ^o for Guard.	N ^o deficient for one Relief.
51st.	158	86	14
61st.	177	104	27
Pr. Ernest's, 2d Battalion.	184	105	28
Goldacker's Ditto.	247	129	11
Total	766	415	80

N. B. From the 1st Instant to the 3d, 106 Men were carried to the Hospitals, so there only remained doing Duty 660.

Admiralty Office, March 26, 1782.

CAPTAIN Everitt, late of His Majesty's Ship Solebay, arrived this Morning at this Office, with Dispatches to Mr. Stephens from Rear-Admiral Sir Samuel Hood, Bart. of which the following are Extracts.

Barfleur, at Sea, February 22, 1782.

FROM the very strong Assurances Governor Shirley gave me of Bristone Hill being in a State of the most perfect Security, and, from the spirited and encouraging Message sent by General Frazer to General Prescott on the 24th of last Month, I had not the smallest Doubt of relieving the Island, after I got Possession of the Enemy's Anchorage at Basseterre Road; and the Governor having expressed a Wish for an able Sea-Officer and a few Seamen, I sent Captain Curgenven and Lieutenant Hare (late of the Solebay) who were eager Volunteers, with Thirty Men in Two Boats, to endeavour to throw them into the Garrison in the Night. The Oars were muffled, and every Precaution used that not the least Noise should be made to give an Alarm; but upon putting the Boats Sterns to the Shore, Volley after Volley of Musquetry were fired at them, and they were obliged to return. Two Nights after, the Man I first sent upon the Hill, and who Captain Curgenven took with him, though he could make his Way alone to the Garrison; he made the Trial in a small Canoe, but was forced to return, having been fired at from every Part he attempted to land. On the same Evening Lieutenant Fayhie, of the *Ruffel*, was put on Shore in Red Flag Bay, on the North Side of the Island: Mr. Fayhie, knowing every accessible Path to the Hill, was sanguine in his Hopes of being able to reach the Garrison; but, after waiting Two Nights, found it impossible, and returned.

Upon the Signal's being made from the Hill, on the 8th, that the Enemy's Batteries had been successful in damaging the Works and Buildings; that the Garrison was reduced, and short of Ordnance Stores, I was eager to make further Trials to get an Officer upon the Hill; and Captain Curgenven again offering his Service, as well as Captain Bourne of the Marines, I sent them away that Evening in a small Boat, towed by another near the Place they expected to land; and after being on Shore about ten Minutes, Captain Curgenven returned and ordered the Boats on board; but neither succeeded in reaching the Garrison, and both were made Prisoners in different Places.

About the Time these Officers left the Barfleur, Lieutenant Fayhie was again landed on the North Side of the Island, being desirous of making another Trial; but as he is not yet returned; and I have heard nothing from him, I conclude he was taken Prisoner.

I was extremely desirous of getting an Officer into the Garrison; just to say, I was very confident the Count de Grasse was weary of his Situation; and as the Marquis de Bouille was destroying every Fort and Magazine at Basseterre, and blew up their very Foundations, I was persuaded he despaired of Success, and that if the Hill could hold out ten Days longer, the Island must be saved.

But I am much concerned to say, that Captain Robinson of the 15th Regiment, in the Evening

