

Garrison the Alarm; however no Return of Fire or Delay was made.

In consequence of a Negro, who served as a Guide to the Grenadiers, running away, a Part of the Column separated in mounting the Hill; this occasioned a Delay and Separation that could not be rectified during the Night, which was extremely dark. Separated however as they were, the Troops approached the Fort; the Light Infantry and a Part of the Grenadiers on that Side where the Fort was most defenceless, and where the Whole were to have made their Effort.

The other Part of the Troops having taken the Road which led directly to the Barrier, and the Enemy's Fire commencing on the Flank Companies, the former advanced to atack the Barrier under a heavy Fire of Round and Grape Shot and Musquetry, which drew the Attention of the Enemy to this Part of the Work; and the Flank Companies at that Moment pushing forward, very gallantly entered the Work, upon which the Enemy surrendered, and the Humanity of the British Troops accepted of them as Prisoners of War.

Great Praise is due to the Officers and Men for their Behaviour, and particularly to Major Baillie and Major Gordon, the latter of whom left the Command of his Battalion, and solicited to lead the Two Light Companies.

I cannot sufficiently express the Obligations I am under to Vice-Admiral Sir John Laforey for his ready and zealous Exertions and Assistance to us in every Step of the Business. I am also greatly indebted to Lieutenant-Colonel Myers, of the 15th Regiment, and to Lieutenant-Colonel Lloyd, of the Royal Artillery. I had sent for the former from Dominica, as being an Officer of known Abilities, and had chosen him as a proper Person to be at the Head of the Quarter-Master General's Department in this Country, to which I have appointed him Deputy, until His Majesty's Pleasure be known.

Inclosed I have the Honour to send you a Return of the Killed and Wounded, and of the Prisoners taken in the Fort, also of the Enemy's Artillery and Stores.

This Dispatch will be delivered to you by Captain Maitland, of the 60th Regiment, Acting Deputy Adjutant-General, who has been with me these Five Years, and is well qualified to give you much Information relative to this Country. With the greatest Respect, I have the Honour to be,

S I R,

Your most obedient
and most humble Servant.

C. CUYLER.

Right Hon. Henry Dundas, &c.

Disembarkation Return of His Majesty's Troops under the Command of Major-General Cornelius Cuyler, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in the Windward and Leeward Charibbee Islands, the 15th of April, 1793, at Great Courland Bay in the Island of Tobago.

S T A F F.

His Excellency Major-General Cuyler,
Lieutenant-Colonel Myers, 15th Regiment, Deputy Quarter-Master General.
Lieutenant-Colonel Lloyd, Royal Artillery, attached to the Commander in Chief.

Captain Maitland, 60th Regiment, Deputy Adjutant-General.

Captain Paumier, 15th Regiment, Aide de Camp to the Commander in Chief.

Captain Gottfried, 60th Regiment, Major of Brigade.

Captain Fiddes, Royal Engineer.

Patrick Lindsay, Inspector-General of Hospitals.

Straghan, Mate of General Hospital.

Royal Artillery. 1 Lieutenant-Colonel, 2 First Lieutenants, 3 Serjeants, 1 Corporal, 5 Bombardiers, 36 Gunners, 2 Drummers.

9th Regiment, Flank Company. 1 Major, 4 Lieutenants, 4 Serjeants, 3 Drummers, 85 Rank and File.

4th Battalion, 60th Regiment. 1 Major, 2 Captains, 6 Lieutenants, 4 Ensigns, 15 Serjeants, 11 Drummers, 282 Rank and File.

Marines. 1 Major, 1 Lieutenant, 2 Serjeants, 1 Drummer, 27 Rank and File.

N. B. Lieutenant Walker, of the 60th Regiment, was left at Great Courland Bay, with 25 Men, as a Baggage Guard.

A Corporal and 10 Men, left to take Care of the Knapsacks and Blankets at Morne Grace.

The Royal Artillery remained, with 2 Brass Six-Pounders and 2 Howitzers, at the Ground where the Troops halted in the Evening, and were not in Action.

F. Maitland, Dep. Adj. Gen.

Tobago, April 14, 1793.

BEING ordered by his Excellency General Cuyler to proceed with a Flag of Truce to the Fort, to summons the Commandant of the French Troops to surrender to the British Forces, I left the General at a Quarter past Four, at the Distance of Three Miles from the Fort, where I arrived at Half past Five, and being blindfolded at the first Barres, was conducted to the Commandant, to whom I delivered the following Summons.

The Commander in Chief of His Britannick Majesty's Forces desired me to acquaint the Commanding Officer of the French Troops of his having landed on the Island with a considerable Force, and is to be supported by a powerful Fleet at an Anchor in some Part of the Island. He summons you to surrender Prisoners of War, with all the Troops under your Order. The Officers will be allowed their Parole. Their Baggage shall be safe, and they will be exchanged as soon as a Cartel is settled between the Two Nations. The British General reserves to himself the Power of exchanging the Officers either in this Country or in Europe.

The Commandant's Answer.

I am obliged to the British General for his Information and Kindness, and should betray the Trust reposed in me to surrender without having tried the Strength of the Enemy. I have between Four and Five Hundred Men to depend on, and will not surrender until compelled to do so by a superior Force within this Fort.

Fred. Gottfried, Major of Brigade.

Return of the Killed and Wounded at the Attack of Port Castries, in Tobago, the 15th of April, 1793.

60th Regiment, Grenadier Company of the 4th Battalion, 1 Rank and File killed; 1 Drummer, 5 Rank and File, wounded.

Ditto;