

should be made of it's Artillery, this important Service was allotted to Major Koerner, with 200 Men, who, after seeing the last Man off the Shore, and spiking all the Guns, effected, from his Activity and Intelligence, his own Retreat without Loss.

Captains Mainstone, Hollowell and Mitreux superintend the Embarkation, and to their indefatigable Attention and good Dispositions we are indebted for the happy Success of so important an Operation. Captain Dundas, as Governor of Fort La Malgue, has ably afforded me the most essential Assistance, in his Command and Arrangement of the several important Posts included in that District.

It is impossible for me to express, but in general Terms, the Approbation that is due to the Conduct and Merits of the several Commanding Officers, and indeed of every Officer, in every Rank and Situation. Troops have seldom experienced, for so long a Time, a Service more harrassing, distressing and severe; and the Officers and Men of the Regiments and Marines have gone through it with that Exertion, Spirit and Good-Will, which peculiarly distinguish the British Soldier. At Fort Mulgrave, Lieutenant Duncan, sen. of the Royal Artillery, was so essentially useful, that to his Exertions and Abilities that Post was much indebted for its Preservation for so long a Time.

The general Service has been carried on with the most perfect Harmony and Zeal of the Navy and Army. From our Deficiency in Artillery-Men, many of our Batteries were worked by Seamen: They, in Part, guarded some of our Posts, and their Aid was peculiarly useful in Duties of Fatigue and Labour. In all these we found the Influence of the superior Activity and Exertions of the British Sailors.

It was the constant Attention of Lord Hood to relieve our Wants and alleviate our Difficulties.

The Sardinian Troops we have always considered as a Part of ourselves. We have experienced their Attachment and good Behaviour, and I have found much Assistance from the Ability and Conduct of the Chevalier de Revel, and from Brigadier-General Richler, who commands them.

Notwithstanding the undefined Situation of Command, I found every Disposition and Acquiescence in Lieutenant-General Gravina, commanding the Spanish Troops, to execute every proposed Measure which the common Cause required.

The Loss of the British on the 17th at Fort Mulgrave, and on the Heights of Pharon, amounts to about 300 Men, of which, during the last Four Days, no exact Account could be procured: And, as the Troops, in embarking, were put on Board the neatest and most convenient Ships, till they are again united in Corps, I cannot have the Honor of transmitting particular Returns, nor even knowing the Detail of Circumstances that attended the Attack of those Posts.

It is now about Three Weeks that, from the unfortunate Accident of General O'Hara being made Prisoner, the Government of Toulon devolved on me; my best Exertions have not been wanting in that Situation, and I humbly hope that His Majesty may be pleased to look upon them in a favorable Light.

I beg Leave to add, that the Battalion of Royal Louis, and Two Independent Companies of French Chasseurs, raised at Toulon, have behaved, on every

Occasion, with Fidelity and Spirit. They embarked at La Malgue, to the Number of about 600 Men, and are now with us.

I have the Honor to be,
With the most profound Respect,
S I R,

Your most faithful and
obedient humble Servant,
DAVID DUNDAS,
Lieut. Gen.

Right Hon. Henry Dundas,
Esq. Esq. Esq.

S I R, December 21, 1793.

AFTER every Enquiry, the inclosed is the most full & Report that can be obtained of the Loss of the British Troops on the 17th of December; that of the other Troops in the same Posts, who greatly exceeded them in Number, I do not know, but I have Reason to think was infinitely smaller in Proportion.

D. DUNDAS, Lieut. Gen.
Right Hon. Henry Dundas,
Esq. Esq. Esq.

Return of the Missing of the British Forces, on the Morning of the 17th of December, 1793.

Attack of Fort Mulgrave.

Royal Artificers. 3 Rank and File and Seamen.
Royal Artillery. 25 Rank and File and Seamen.
2d Battalion of Royals. 1 Serjeant, 1 Drummer, 18 Rank and File and Seamen.
18th or Royal Irish Regiment. 1 Ensign, 2 Rank and File and Seamen.
30th Regiment. 1 Captain, 1 Lieutenant, 5 Serjeants, 3 Drummers, 140 Rank and File and Seamen.
Marines. 2 Lieutenants, 2 Serjeants, 2 Drummers, 56 Rank and File and Seamen.
Royal Navy. 1 Midshipman, 28 Seamen.

Attack of the Heights of Pharon.

11th Regiment. 1 Lieutenant, 1 Serjeant, 15 Rank and File and Seamen.
18th or Royal Irish Regiment, 1 Serjeant, 5 Rank and File and Seamen.
Marines. 1 Lieutenant, 15 Rank and File and Seamen.

Officers Names missing.

11th Regiment. Lieutenant Knight.
18th or Royal Irish. Ensign Minchin.
30th Regiment. Captain De Vaumorel, Lieutenant Cuyler.
Marines. Lieutenants Williams, Barry, and Lynn.
Royal Navy. Mr. Alexander Wilkie, Midshipman.

Officers Names wounded and present.

Royal Artillery. Lieutenant Duncan, sen.
Royal Navy. Lieutenant Goddard, Mr. J. W. Loring, Midshipman.

(Signed) THO. HISLOP, D. A. G.

The Fate of the above Officers and Men, returned missing, is not nor cannot be known; but, from all the Intelligence that can be gained, it is much to be apprehended that they fell before Day-Break, gallantly defending the Post they were entrusted with, when abandoned by other Troops.

D. DUNDAS, Lieut. Gen.