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## EXTRAORDINARY

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*Parliament-Street, July 25, 1796.*

**D**ISPATCHES, of which the following are Copies, were this Day received by the Right Honourable Henry Dundas, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, from Lieutenant-General Sir Ralph Abercromby, K. B. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Troops in the West Indies.

SIR, *St. Vincent's, June 21, 1796.*

**T**HE last Letter which I had the Honor to write to you was on the 31st of May, from St. Lucia, wherein I acquainted you with the Reduction of that Island. Brigadier-General Moore informs me, in a Letter of the 12th of June, that every Thing remained quiet, and I have every Reason to hope that the Measures he has adopted will tend to insure Tranquillity, as far as it depends upon him.

The Embarkation of the Artillery and Troops destined to act in St. Vincent and Grenada necessarily employed some Days, and at that Moment the Weather proved particularly unfavourable. The Whole, however, was embarked and ready to sail on the 3d of June. The St. Vincent Division was ordered to rendezvous at Kingston Bay, and that for Grenada

at Carriacou, one of the Grenadines. While the Troops were assembling at the Rendezvous, Major-General Nicolls met me at Carriacou, where the Operations for Grenada were settled. On the 7th Instant I returned to St. Vincent, and on the 8th in the Evening the Troops disembarked. The following Day they marched in One Column, by the Right, as far as Stubbs, about Eight Miles from Kingston; each Division halted that Evening opposite to their respective Point of Attack. On the 10th in the Morning the Enemy's Flank was turned. Two Twelve Pounders, Two Six Pounders, and Two Howitzers, were advanced, with considerable Difficulty, within Six Hundred Yards of the Enemy's Works; but, notwithstanding our Efforts to drive the Enemy from their Post on the Old Vigie, by Means of a well-served Artillery, they maintained themselves from Seven in the Morning until Two in the Afternoon. Major-General Morshed had very handsomely, early in the Day, offered to carry the Redoubt by Assault, but being willing to spare the Lives of the Troops, and observing that the Part of the Line which he commanded laboured under Disadvantages, the Assault was deferred until

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