

fusion at first unavoidable in a City strongly garrisoned, crowded with Inhabitants and their Property, in Ruins from the Fire of a numerous Artillery, and taken by Assault. The Princes were removed to Camp.

It appeared to Major-General Baird so important to ascertain the Fate of the Sultan, that he caused immediate Search to be made for his Body, which, after much Difficulty, was found late in the Evening in one of the Gates under a Heap of Slain, and soon after placed in the Palace. The Corpse was the next Day recognised by the Family, and interred, with the Honors due to his Rank, in the Mausoleum of his Father.

The Strength of the Fort is such, both from its natural Position and the stupendous Works by which it is surrounded, that all the Exertions of the brave Troops who attacked it, in whose Praise it is impossible to say too much, were required to place it in our Hands. Of the Merits of the Army I have expressed my Opinion in Orders, a Copy of which I have the Honor to enclose; and I trust your Lordship will point out their Services to the favorable Notice of their King and Country.

I am sorry to add that, on collecting the Returns of our Loss, it is found to be much heavier than I had at first imagined.

On the 5th Instant Abdul Khalic, the elder of the Princes formerly Hostages with Lord Cornwallis, surrendered himself at our Out-Posts, demanding Protection. Kerim Saheb, the Brother of Tippoo, had before sought Refuge with Meer Allum Behauder. A Cowl Namah was Yesterday dispatched to Futteh Hyder, the eldest Son of Tippoo, inviting him to join his Brothers. Purneah and Meer Kummer odeen Khan have also been summoned to Seringapatam: no Answers have yet been received, but I expect them shortly, as their Families are in the Fort.

This Moment Ali Reza, formerly one of the Vakeels from Tippoo Sultan to Lord Cornwallis, has arrived from Meer Kummer odeen Khan, to ask my Orders for Four Thousand Horse now under his Command. Ali Reza was commissioned to declare, that Meer Kummer odeen would make no Conditions, but rely on the Generosity of the English.

Monsieur Chapuy and most of the French are Prisoners; they have Commissions from the French Government.

I have the Honor, &c.

(Signed) GEORGE HARRIS.

Abstract of a Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing, at the Assault of Seringapatam on the 4th of May 1799.

EUROPEANS.

Two Captains, Six Lieutenants, Three Serjeants, One Drummer, and Fifty-eight Rank and File, killed

One Lieutenant-Colonel, Four Captains, Eight Lieutenants, Three Ensigns, Two Conductors, Twelve Serjeants, Five Drummers, and Two Hundred and Twenty-eight Rank and File, wounded.

One Serjeant and Three Rank and File, missing.

NATIVES.

Thirteen Rank and File, killed.

One Jemidar, Two Drummers, and Thirty-one Rank and File, wounded.

Two Rank and File, missing.

Names of Officers killed and wounded on the Assault.

Killed.—Lieutenant Mather of the 75th, and Captain Owen of the 77th, Flank Companies; Lieutenant Lalor of the 73d; Lieutenants Farquhar, Prendergraft, Hill, and Shawe, of the 74th; Captain Cornick of the Pioneers.

Wounded.—Lieutenants Turner, Broughton, and Skelton, of the 75th; Lieutenant-Colonel Dunlop and Lieutenant Laurence, of the 77th; Lieutenant Webb of the Bombay Regiment; Captain Lardy and Lieutenant Matthey, of the Meuron Regiment, Flank Companies.—Lieutenant Shawe of the 76th, serving with the 12th; Captain Macleod, Lieutenant Thomas, Ensigns Antil and Guthrie, of the 73d; Captain Caldwell of the Engineers, and Captain Prescott of the Artillery.

Copy of General Orders, dated Camp at Seringapatam, 5th May 1799.

“The Commander in Chief congratulates the gallant Army which he has the Honor to command, on the Conquest of Yesterday. The Effects arising from the Attainment of such an Acquisition as far exceed the present Limits of Detail, as the unremitting Zeal, Labour, and unparalleled Valour of the Troops surpass his Power of Praise. For Services so incalculable in their Consequences, he must consider the Army as well entitled to the Applause and Gratitude of their Country at large.

“While Lieutenant-General Harris sincerely laments the Loss sustained in the valuable Officers and Men who fell in the Attack, he cannot omit to return his Thanks in the warmest Terms to Major-General Baird for the decided and able Manner in which he conducted the Assault, and for the humane Measures which he subsequently adopted for preserving Order and Regularity in the Place. He requests that Major-General Baird will communicate to the Officers and Men who on that great Occasion acted under his Command, the high Sense he must entertain of their Achievements and Merits.

“The Commander in Chief requests that Colonel Gent and the Corps of Engineers under his Orders will accept his Thanks for their unremitting Exertions in conducting the Duties of that very important Department; and his best Acknowledgments are due to Major Beatson, for the essential Assistance given to this Branch of the Service by the constant Exertion of his Ability and Zeal.

“The Merit of the Artillery Corps is so strongly expressed by the Effects of their Fire, that the Commander in Chief can only desire Colonel Smith to assure the Officers and Men of the excellent Corps under his Command, that he feels most fully their Claim to Approbation.

“In thus publicly expressing his Sense of their good Conduct, the Commander in Chief finds himself called upon to notice in a most particular Manner the Exertion of Captain Dowse and his Corps of Pioneers, which, during the present Service, have been equally marked by unremitting Labour,