

Art. IX. The Coasting Vessels in the River will be given up to their Owners, according to a Proclamation issued the 30th Ult.

Art. X. All Public Property of every Description belonging to the Enemies of His Britannic Majesty shall be faithfully delivered up to the Captors; and as the Commanders in Chief bind themselves to see the Fulfilment of all the preceding Articles for the Benefit of South America, so do the Cabildo and Magistrates bind themselves to see that this last Article is faithfully and honorably complied with.

Given under our Hands and Seals, in the Fortress of Buenos Ayres, this 2d Day of July 1806,

(Signed) W. C. BERESFORD, Maj. Gen.

(Signed) HOME POPHAM, Commodore, commanding in Chief.

(Signed) JOSEPH IGN. DE LA QUINTANA, Governor, and Brigadier of Dragoons.

Witness to the above Signatures,

(Signed) FRAN. DE LESICA ANSELMO SAEN BALIENTE.

(A True Copy.)

GEO. W. KENNETT, Mil. Secretary.

Castle of Buenos Ayres, 5th July 1806.

Return of Ordnance, Ammunition, and Arms captured at Buenos Ayres, and its Dependencies, viz.

Iron Ordnance.—7 Eighteen-Pounders, 1 Twelve-Pounder, 8 Nine-Pounders, 15 Six-Pounders, 6 Four-Pounders, 8 Three-Pounders.

Brass Ordnance.—1 Thirty-two-Pounder, 2 Twelve-Pounders, 2 Nine-Pounders, 2 Six-Pounders, 6 Four-Pounders, 3 Three-Pounders, 16 Two-Pounders, 4 One-Pounders, 1 Nine and Half-Inch Mortar, 3 Five and Half Inch Mortars, 1 Six Inch Howitzer.

350 whole Barrels of Powder.

2064 Muskets with Bayonets.

616 Carbines.

409 Pittols.

31 Muskstoons.

1208 Swords.

(Signed) J. F. OGILVIE, Capt. commanding Royal and St. Helena Artillery.

Since the above Return was sent to Major-General Sir David Baird, the following Guns, left by the Viceroy in his Flight, have been taken, and Arms, &c. received :

Brass Ordnance—3 Four-Pounders, 3 Two-Pounders, and 1 Six-Inch Howitzer.

139 Muskets with Bayonets.

71 Muskets without Bayonets.

85 Pouches.

39 Swords.

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Return of the Killed, Wounded, and Missing of the Troops under the Command of Major-General Beresford, on the 26th and 27th June 1806.

St. Helena Artillery.—1 Rank and File wounded.

71st Reg.—1 Officer, 1 Serjeant, 5 Rank and File wounded.

St. Helena Infantry.—1 Rank and File wounded; 1 Officer missing.

Royal Marines.—3 Rank and File wounded.

Corps of Seamen.—1 Rank and File killed.

Names of Officers wounded and missing.

Captain Le Blanc, of the 71st Regiment, shot in the Leg; since amputated above the Knee.

Assistant-Surgeon Halliday, of the Medical Staff attached to St. Helena Regiment, missing.

Extract of a Letter from Major-General Beresford to the Right Honorable Lord Castlereagh, dated Fort of Buenos Ayres, 11th July 1806.

I TRUST the Conduct adopted towards the People here has had its full Effect, in impressing upon their Minds the Honor, Generosity, and Humanity of the British Character His Majesty's Ministers will see by the Detail of our Proceedings that, after the Army had passed the Rio Chuelo, the City of Buenos Ayres remained at our Mercy, and that, in fact, the only Conditions on which I entered were such as I pleased to offer, and which Humanity and a Regard to our national Character would naturally induce me to give under any Circumstances. However, to quiet the Minds of the Inhabitants, we not only consented to put in Writing my Promises, but acceded to many Conditions not expected by them; and, contrary to direct Stipulation, gave up to the Proprietors all the Coasting Vessels captured, with their Cargoes, and of which I annex a Return*, and the Value of which amounted to One Million and a Half of Dollars, and, which being done with the Views already exposed, will, I trust, meet with His Majesty's Approbation.

I have the Honor to inform His Majesty's Ministers, that I had detached Captain Arbuthnot of the 20th Light Dragoons, on the 3d Instant, with a Party consisting of seven Dragoons, and Twenty Infantry, (the whole mounted) to a Place called Luxan, Fifty Miles distant. My principal Object was to have the Country reconnoitred, and to see what were the Dispositions of the Inhabitants; but with the avowed Object of escorting back some of the Treasure which had been taken from here, and to prevent its following the Viceroy, which I had Reason to suspect was intended, though it was said to be all private Property; and, in which case, we had declared, if brought back, it should be given to its Owners, if of this City.—Captain Arbuthnot returned last Night; and I am glad to say with Information of a pleasing Nature; for your Lordship will see, by this Detachment passing so easily through the Country, that whatever their present Inclinations may be, there is no very great Danger from any hostile Intentions against us: and Captain Arbuthnot reports rather favourably of the general Dispositions of the People. The Country to Luxan, as I have already represented; in general the whole of it, is a perfect Flat, and the View of the Horizon obstructed by nothing but the immense Herds of Horses and Cattle—but principally horned Cattle.

Luxan is situated on a River of the same Name, and where there is a Bridge over it, and the Route leading to all the interior Provinces, and I rather think it will be advisable on many Accounts that I possess myself of it, which I can do by a small Detachment. Much of the Treasure was caught actually going to Cordova, and the Rest, but for the op-

* It has been found difficult to procure the Return of Vessels here alluded to, at least the Names of all. They are of various Classes, from One Hundred and Fifty Tons downwards, and amount in the Whole to One Hundred and Eighty in Number.



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