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AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 8th of August 1810,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IT is this Day ordered by His Majesty in Council, that the Parliament which stands prorogued to Tuesday the 21st Day of this instant August, be further prorogued to Thursday the 11th Day of November next.

This Day the Right Honourable Richard Lord Viscount Chetwynd was, by His Majesty's Command, sworn one of the Clerks of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council in Ordinary, in the Room of Sir Stephen Cottrell, Knt. whom His Majesty has been graciously pleased to permit to retire from the said Office.

Downing-Street, August 11, 1810.

A DISPATCH, of which the following is an Extract, was this Morning received at Lord Liverpool's Office, addressed to his Lordship by Lieutenant-General Viscount Wellington, dated Alverca, July 25, 1810.

THE Cavalry attached to General Craufurd's Advanced Guard remained in the Villages near the Fort of La Conception till the 21st Instant, when the Enemy obliged it to retire towards Almeida, and the Fort La Conception was destroyed.

From the 21st till Yesterday Morning, Brigadier-General Craufurd continued to occupy a Position near Almeida, with his Left within Eight Hundred Yards of the Fort, and his Right extending towards Junca. The Enemy attacked him in this Position Yesterday Morning, shortly after Daylight, with a very large Body of Infantry and Cavalry, and the Brigadier-General retired across the Bridge over the Coa.

In this Operation I am sorry to say that the Troops under his Command suffered considerable Loss.

The Enemy afterwards made Three Efforts to storm the Bridge over the Coa, in all of which they were repulsed.

I am informed that throughout this trying Day the commanding Officers of the 43d, 52d, and 95th Regiments, Lieutenant-Colonel Beckwith, Lieutenant-Colonel Barclay, and Lieutenant-Colonel Hull, and all the Officers and Soldiers of these excellent Regiments distinguished themselves. In Lieutenant-Colonel Hull, who was killed, His Majesty has lost an able and deserving Officer.

Brigadier-General Craufurd has also noticed the Steadiness of the 3d Regiment of Portuguese Chasseurs under the Command of Lieutenant-Colonel Elder.

Since Yesterday the Enemy have made no Movement.

Copy of General Craufurd's Report inclosed in Lord Wellington's Dispatch of the 25th July.

MY LORD, *Carvelhal, July 25, 1810.*

I HAVE the Honour to report to your Lordship, that Yesterday Morning the Enemy advanced to attack the Light Division with between Three and Four Thousand Cavalry, a considerable Number of Guns, and a large Body of Infantry. On the first Appearance of the Heads of their Columns, the Cavalry and Brigade of Artillery attached to the Division advanced to support the Picquets, and Captain Ross, with Four Guns, was for some Time engaged with those attached to the Enemy's Cavalry, which were of much larger Calibre.

As the immense Superiority of the Enemy's Force displayed itself, we fell back gradually towards the Fortrefs, upon the Right of which the Infantry of the Division was posted, having its Left in some Inclosures near the Windmill, about Eight Hundred Yards from the Place, and its Right to the Coa, in a very broken and extensive Position, which it was absolutely necessary to occupy, in order to cover the Passage of the Cavalry and Artillery through the long Defile leading to the Bridge. After this was effected, the Infantry retired by Degrees, and in as good Order as it is possible in Ground so extremely intricate. A Position close in front of the Bridge was maintained as long as was necessary, to give Time for the Troops which had passed to take up one behind the River: and the Bridge was afterwards defended with the greatest Gallantry, though I am sorry to say with considerable Loss,