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COPY of a Letter from Sir Richard Goodwin Keats, K. B. Rear-Admiral of the Red, to John Wilson Croker, Esq; dated on board His Majesty's Ship the Implacable, in Cadiz Bay, the 30th August 1810.

SIR, *Implacable, Cadiz Bay, Aug. 30, 1810.*

MY Dispatch, No. 15, will have informed their Lordships of the sailing of an Expedition from this Port on the Evening of the 22d; I have now the Honour to transmit the Copy of a Letter I have received from Captain George Cockburne, of this Ship, detailing the Particulars of a Descent and successful Attack made on a strong Corps of French Troops posted at the Town of Moguer. The Expedition returned into Cadiz Yesterday with a few Prisoners and some Volunteers for the Spanish Army, having driven the Enemy from Moguer and the adjoining Coast with considerable Loss, and about Forty killed and wounded on the Part of our Ally.

I have received, Sir, through His Majesty's Minister at this Place, the Copy of a Letter from His Excellency M. de Bardaxi, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, strongly expressive of the Sentiments of Satisfaction and Gratitude felt by the Council of Regency at the able and distinguished Co-operation afforded General Lascy on the Expedition by Captain Cockburne, the Officers, and Seamen under his Command; and it becomes my Duty to mark in the strongest Manner how sensibly I feel the public Service has been benefited by Captain Cockburne's able, cheerful, and zealous Services.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) R. G. KEATS.

His Majesty's Sloop Jasper, in Huelva River, August 25, 1810.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honour to inform you, that in pursuance to your Orders, I sailed from Cadiz on the Night of the 22d Current, with the Vessels and Boats you were pleased to place under my Command, for the Purpose of co-operating with the Spanish Armament under the Orders of General Lascy. On the Night of the 23d, being about Four Leagues to the Southward of the Entrance of this River, I received Intimation from the General that he wished to land without further Loss of Time

on the Coast then abreast of us, as it would enable him to get to Moguer (where the French Army was supposed to be) considerably sooner than he could do by Water; the whole Fleet being accordingly directed to Anchor as close to the Shore as they could with Safety, I began about Ten o'Clock, to disembark the Troops, and the whole of them, as well as their Horses, &c. being safely landed, between One and Two o'Clock, the General commenced his March, keeping along the Beach, and being attended by Eleven of our Flat Boats, (under Lieutenant Westphal of the Implacable,) for the Purpose of transporting the Army across a large Branch of the River, which (after our Landing) we were informed, intersected the Way to Moguer, and extended a very considerable Distance into the Country. This Precaution having, however, prevented their being delayed in the slightest Degree, the Army got to Moguer (a Distance of Twenty-two Miles from the Point of Debarkation) about Eleven o'Clock Yesterday Morning, and the French Army being there (according to the Information), the Spaniards forgot their Fatigues, and proceeded immediately to attack them. The French not being prepared for such a Visit, were soon driven from the Town; but having collected and rallied in the Neighbourhood, they attempted to regain what they had lost, and in their Turn made several desperate Attacks on the Spanish advanced Line; but being worsted in every Attempt by the Valour and Steadiness of the Spanish Troops; they retreated at the Close of Day, and will, I fear, owing to their being principally Cavalry, succeed in getting to Seville. General Lascy will however, I believe, follow them as long as he sees any Chance of destroying them; and on his Return from pursuing them, will reembark and return to Cadiz, or St. Lucar, as Circumstances may authorize.

The Loss of the Spaniards during Yesterday was but trifling; that of the French has not yet been ascertained; but I saw several of them lying dead on the Field, and about Twelve of them were taken Prisoners, who say they were about Eleven hundred strong.

The Cheerfulness with which the Spanish Troops bore the Fatigue of marching Twenty-two Miles, after being without Rest for Three successive Nights, and the Steadiness and Valour they displayed in the