

Twenty-nine lay dead on the Spot, many were also observed lying dead on the Bridge and in the first Street; and a Peasant reports, that from Thirty to Fifty were sent off wounded to their Rear on Horses and Cars.

I must not omit to state that a Portion of the Count de Penne Villamur's Spanish Cavalry gallantly supported the Charge on the Left of the 3d Dragoon Guards, as I am informed Brigadier-General Madden's Brigade did on the Right; but the Dust caused by the Charge was so great, I was myself unable to observe on that Flank.

I am positively assured from the Report of the Prisoners, that the Enemy had Thirteen Regiments of Cavalry in the Field, which, though not exceeding from Two Hundred to Three Hundred Men each, gave them so great a Superiority over the Force under my Orders, composed of Three Nations, many of them as yet but little known to each other in Cavalry Movements, that I feel fully justified in not placing a deep Ravine and Defile in my Rear, and attempting to defend the Town, which is only defensible by Infantry, from an Attack on the other Side.

I have the peculiar Satisfaction to add, that the Advantage gained has been almost bloodless on our Part, although occasionally for a few Seconds, of necessity exposed to the Range of Artillery and a Charge made against a Corps Elite of the Enemy, who, on the other Hand, visibly suffered from our Artillery, in addition to those lost in the Charge.

I feel myself under the highest Obligation to Brigadier-General Long for his zealous, well-timed, and active Exertions during the Day, as well as for his Assistance at all Times.

To Brigadier-General Loy, commanding the Spanish Cavalry (the Count de Penne Villamur being sick at Villa-Franca), and to Brigadier-General Madden, commanding the Portuguese Division, I am highly indebted for their Readiness in obeying, and Promptitude in executing my Orders; to the Honourable Colonel De Grey, commanding the British Brigade of heavy Cavalry; and to Colonel O'way, commanding the Portuguese Brigade, both under the Orders of Brigadier-General Long; to Colonel Lord Edward Somerset, commanding the 4th Dragoons; to Colonel Head, commanding the 13th Light Dragoons; to Major Weston, commanding the 3d Dragoon Guards (Sir G. Calcraft being sick at Villa Franca); and to Captain Lefevre of the Royal Horse Artillery, my very best Thanks are due, as well as to every Officer and Soldier, for the Promptitude and Steadiness with which every even retrograde Movement was performed in the Face of a superior Enemy.

The Advantage gained will not only in some Degree lessen the Enemy's superior Cavalry, but will, I trust, still further tend to render him fearful and timid in all his Movements.

I have the Honour to be, &c.  
(Signed) W. LUMLEY, Major-General.  
Major-General Sir William Beresford,  
&c. &c. &c.

Whitchurch, June 12, 1811.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, to constitute and appoint the Right Ho-

nourable Charles Yorke, Sir Richard Bickerton, Bart., Vice-Admiral of the Blue Squadron of His Majesty's Fleet, James Buller Esq; William Domett Esq; Vice-Admiral of the White Squadron of His Majesty's Fleet, Sir Joseph Sydney Yorke, Knight, the Honourable Frederick Robinson, and Horatio Walpole, Esq; commonly called Lord Walpole, to be His Majesty's Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions, Islands, and Territories thereunto belonging.

Admiralty-Office, June 15, 1811.

Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Sir Richard Goodwin Keats K. B., to John Wilson Croker, Esq; dated on board the *Milford*, Bay of Cadix, 27th May 1811.

SIR,

I HAVE the Honour to transmit herewith, for the Information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Copy of my Letter of this Date, and its Enclosures, to the Commander in Chief Admiral Sir Charles Cotton, Bart.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

R. G. KEATS.

*His Majesty's Ship Milford, Bay of Cadix, 27th May 1811.*

SIR,

I HAVE the Honour herewith to transmit Two Letters which I have received from Captain Price of the *Sabine*, who this Morning sent in Three, and this Afternoon One, of the Enemy's small Privateers; and I have much Pleasure in calling your Attention to the judicious and spirited Manner in which the Enterprize, planned by Captain Price, and which led to the Capture of Three of the Privateers, was executed under the immediate Command of Lieutenant Usherwood, assisted by Lieutenant P. Finnuccane, Mr. T. Settle the Master, and several inferior volunteer Officers and Seamen of that Sloop.

I have, &c.

R. G. KEATS.

Admiral Sir C. Cotton, Bart., &c. &c. &c.

*His Majesty's Sloop Sabine, off Sibilona, 27th May 1811.*

SIR,

I HAVE the Honour to acquaint you, whilst cruising off Sibilona, in pursuance of your Orders, I deemed it practicable, on the Night of the 26th Instant, to take out the Five French Privateers lying in that Roadstead, which had so daringly annoyed the Commerce on this Coast; I accordingly anchored the *Sabine* as close as possible, and dispatched the Boats under the Command of Lieutenant Usherwood, assisted by Lieutenant Finnuccane, Mr. Settle Master, Warrant Officers, Midshipmen, and Volunteers from the Brig, who, I am happy to say, succeeded most admirably, each Boat taking a Privateer; though moored under the Battery and protected by their Crews, One Hundred and Twenty-five in Number, and a strong Guard of Soldiers. They are very fine Vessels, sail exceedingly fast, and had a Complement of Twenty-five Men each; the Prisoners taken were marched from Antwerp for that Duty.

Lieutenant Usherwood speaks most highly of all the Officers and Men on this Service; and I can no