

Hofse-Guards, October 7, 1813.

WHEREAS considerable inconvenience having been found to attend the increased number of medals, that have been issued in commemoration of the brilliant and distinguished events in which the success of His Majesty's arms has received the royal approbation, the Prince Regent has been pleased to command, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, that the following regulations shall be adopted, in the grant and circulation of such marks of distinction: viz.

1st. That one medal only shall be borne by each officer, recommended for such distinction.

2d. That for the second and third events, which may be subsequently commemorated in like manner, each individual recommended to bear the distinction, shall carry a gold clasp attached to the ribbon to which the medal is suspended, and inscribed with the name of the battle, or siege, to which it relates.

3d. That upon a claim being admitted to a fourth mark of distinction, a cross shall be borne by each officer, with the names of the four battles, or sieges, respectively inscribed thereupon; and to be worn in substitution of the distinctions previously granted to such individuals.

4th. Upon each occasion of a similar nature, that may occur subsequently to the grant of a cross, the clasp shall again be issued to those who have a claim to the additional distinction, to be borne on the ribbon to which the cross is suspended, in the same manner as described in No. 2, of these regulations.

His Royal Highness is further pleased to command, in the name and on the behalf of his Majesty, that the distribution of medals, or badges, for military services of distinguished merit, shall be regulated as follows: viz.

1st. That no General, or other Officer, shall be considered entitled to receive them, unless he has been personally and particularly engaged upon those occasions of great importance and peculiar brilliancy, in commemoration of which the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, may be graciously pleased to bestow such marks of distinction.

2d. That no Officer shall be considered a candidate for the medal, or badge, except under the special selection and report of the Commander of the Forces upon the spot, as having merited the distinction, by conspicuous services.

3d. That the Commander of the Forces shall transmit to the Commander in Chief, returns signed by himself, specifying the names and ranks of those Officers whom he shall have selected as particularly deserving.

4th. The Commander of the Forces, in making the selection, will restrict his choice to the under-mentioned ranks: viz.

General Officers.

Commanding Officers of Brigades.

Commanding Officers of Artillery, or Engineers.

Adjutant-General, and Quarter-Master-General.

Deputies of ditto, and ditto, having the rank of Field-Officers.

Assistants-Adjutant and Quarter-Master-General, having the rank of Field-Officers, and being at

the head of the Staff, with a detached corps, or distinct division of the army.

Military Secretary, having the rank of Field-Officer. Commanding Officers of Battalions, or corps equivalent thereto; and Officers who may have succeeded to the actual command during the engagement, in consequence of the death, or removal, of the original Commanding Officer.

The Prince Regent is therefore graciously pleased to command, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, that, in commemoration of the brilliant victories obtained by His Majesty's arms in the battles of Rolcia and Vindera, Coruna, Talavera de la Reyna, Busaco, Barrosa, Fuentes de Oñor, Albuhera, and Salamanca, and in the assaults and captures of Ciudad Rodrigo and Badajos, the under-mentioned Officers of the Army, present on those occasions, shall enjoy the privilege of bearing badges of distinction; and His Royal Highness, having approved of the crosses, medals, and clasps, which have been prepared, is pleased to command, that they shall be worn by the General Officers, suspended by a ribbon of the colour of the sash, with a blue edge, round the neck; and by the Commanding Officers of Battalions, or corps equivalent thereto, and Officers who may have succeeded to the actual command during the engagement, the Chiefs of Military Departments, and their Deputies and Assistants (having the rank of Field-Officers), and such other Officers as may be specially recommended, attached by a ribbon of the same description to the buttonhole of their uniform.

The Prince Regent is also pleased to command, in the name and on the behalf of his Majesty, that those badges which would have been conferred upon the Officers who have fallen at, or died since the above named battles and sieges, shall, as a token of respect for their memories, be transmitted to their respective families.

Officers entitled to wear a Cross, or a Cross and one or more Clasps.

Field-Marshal Arthur the Marquess of Wellington, K. G.

Lieutenant-General Sir Wm. Carr Beresford, K. B.

Sir James Leith, K. B.

Sir Thomas Picton, K. B.

Honourable Sir Charles Stewart, K. B.

Major-General Sir George Murray, K. B. Quarter-

Master-General

Denis Pack, Portuguese Troops.

Mariscal de Campo Don Miguel Alava, Portuguese Troops.

Brigadier-General B. D'Urban, Portuguese Troops.

Don Jose O'Lafor, Portuguese Troops.

Colonel William Howe De Lancey, Deputy Quarter-Master-General.

Andrew Frederick Barnard, 95th Foot.

Don Luiz de Regoa Barreto, 15th Portuguese Regiment.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. Robe, Royal Artillery.

Honourable E. Le Poer Trench 74th Foot.

Sir Richard Fletcher, late of Royal Engineers.