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MR. Henry Addington arrived here this day with dispatches, of which the following are copies and extract, from General Viscount Cathcart, K.T. Lieutenant-General the Honourable Sir Charles William Stewart, K.B. and Edward Thornton, Esq.

MY LORD, *Basle, 14th January, 1814.*

THE Emperor of Russia arrived at Lörrach on the 11th, and the reserves of the army having assembled in the course of that and the succeeding day, his Imperial Majesty crossed the Rhine on the 13th, after divine worship, accompanied by his Majesty the King of Prussia.

The Emperor of Austria, who had arrived at Basle the preceding evening, went to meet the Emperor Alexander at some distance, and their Imperial and Royal Majesties entered Basle on horseback at the head of the Russian and Prussian guards, and some other regiments of the reserve. These troops afterwards passed in parade before their Majesties, and proceeded several leagues on their march in the direction of Montbeillard. The cavalry reached Ferrette the same night.

The reinforcements which have joined the Russian guards, are very fine, and I have never seen these regiments appear in so great force, or in better condition, at any period of the campaign. Indeed some of the regiments have additional battalions.

I saw the reserve artillery on the march, part of which is quite fresh, and it is impossible to have any preparation in more complete order as to ordnance, carriages, men, and horses. The men in particular are remarkably fine. There are some batteries of horse artillery with twelve pounders.

The Prussian reserve is also in very excellent condition.

The accounts I have received on arriving here, of the progress of the armies, are as follows:—

The Field-Marshal's head-quarters were at Vesoul, and are now, I understand, on the move to Langres, which place has for some time been occupied by General Giulay. I have no certain account of General Bubna, but I hear he moved from Geneva on Dole; and that it was his intention to occupy Lyons. Dijon was also to be occupied by this time.

Marshal Blücher was expected to reach Metz about this time. General Count Platoff, supported by the Prince Royal of Wurtemberg, has had an affair between Epinal and Nancy, in which a considerable number of the enemy has been killed and taken.

General Wrede has also had an action, in which the enemy is said to have sustained considerable loss, but the official accounts of these affairs have not as yet been received.

I have the honour to be, &c,

CATHCART,

The Viscount Castlereagh.

MY LORD, *Basle, January 14, 1814.*

THE columns of the allied armies continue their advance on all sides.

The head-quarters of Marshal Prince Schwartzberg, were on the 12th at Vesoul, and were moving on. On the advance of Gen. Giulay's corps, to Langres, the inhabitants fired on the troops, but this is the only instance in which the allies have not been well received. The Field Marshal's head-quarters were to be at Langres the 15th or 16th.

General Bubna's corps has had a new direction given it from Dole towards Lyons, and it is on its march.

General Bianchi still operates against Befort. Besançon is invested by the corps of Lichtenstein.

The Bavarians under General Wrede have had a very serious affair with the enemy near St. Drey under Marshal Victor. In the commencement of