

cannonading and shelling of the position and castle of Gebail having been executed apparently with the most perfect and complete success by Her Majesty's ships Carysfort, Dido, and Cyclops, and the gardens, fences, &c. thoroughly scoured and swept by the fire of the launches, the detachment was landed and formed in column, extended to the right, and then advanced directly upon the building, covered by the fences on the ascent as far as the summit, which being gained without the slightest intimation of the presence of an enemy, and you as well as myself considered it impossible after the effectual battering the building had undergone, that any one could remain in it; the companies were advanced in front of the last wall, and in the act of extending to advance, when a very heavy fire of musketry was suddenly opened from the loop holes of the castle, but principally, as it since appears, from the loop holes of the castle a few inches above the ground, from excavation passages; the fire was returned by the detachments, and after one or two rounds, I withdrew the men under the last wall, and pushed forward a sergeant and four or five men to ascertain whether there was any possibility of getting access into the building, either by the doors or the vacancies caused by the bombardment. The enemy's fire, however, became so warm, that as you who were present in person during the whole affair, must be aware, it was quite hopeless to persevere with any prospect of success, and therefore I withdrew the detachments to the point of disembarkation, and from thence, in about an hour afterwards, the whole were once more embarked in the Cyclops. The painful part of my duty, is to report the extent of our loss, which as you will perceive amounts (by the return annexed), to one corporal and two privates killed, and one corporal and one private since dead from their wounds, and one second lieutenant, one lance serjeant, and fourteen privates wounded, nearly all severely.

The pleasing part of my duty now only remains, which is, to state that nothing could exceed the zeal, courage, and alacrity of the non-commissioned officers, drummers, and privates, who fully sustained the honourable character of the corps.

My warmest gratitude is due to Captain Searle (the next senior officer), and also to Lieutenants Adair, Searle, and Harrison, Commanding Companies, for the gallant and most efficient support I received from them, and also to Lieutenant Spalding, Acting Adjutant of the detachment, for the active performance of every part of his duty, and more particularly for his gallantry in exerting himself in bringing off the wounded.

I have the honour to be,
&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) CHARLES ROBINSON,
Captain Royal Marines, Commanding
Detachments.

Return of Officers and Men, belonging to Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels, killed and wounded, in the Assault upon the fortified Position of Gebail, September 12, 1840.

BENBOW.

Killed.

2 royal marines.

Wounded.

4 royal marines, severely.

HASTINGS.

Killed.

2 royal marines.

Wounded.

Second Lieutenant Charles W. Adair, R. M. slightly.
7 royal marines, severely; 3 royal marines, slightly.

CASTOR.

Wounded.

1 royal marine, severely.

ZEBRA.

Killed.

1 royal marine.

CYCLOPS.

Wounded.

Lieutenant George Giffard, severely.
1 seaman, severely.

Total Killed—5.

Total Wounded—18.

War-Office, 13th October 1840.

HOSPITAL STAFF.

Assistant Inspector John Davy, M. D. to be Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals. Dated 13th October 1840.

Deputy Inspector General John Davy, M. D. to have the local rank of Inspector General of Hospitals, on a particular service. Dated 13th October 1840.

Staff Surgeon John Robertson, M. D. to have the local rank of Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, on a particular service. Dated 13th October 1840.

Staff Surgeon Henry Franklin to have the local rank of Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, on a particular service. Dated 13th October 1840.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Radnor.

Edward David Thomas, Esq. to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 7th September 1840.

ERRATA in the Gazette of the 25th September last.

Leicestershire Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.

For Lieutenant Arthur Haynes to be Captain, &c.
Read, Lieutenant Arthur Haymes to be Captain, &c.
For Cornet William Anne Pochin to be Lieutenant, vice Pochin, promoted,
Read, Cornet William Anne Pochin to be Lieutenant, vice Haymes, promoted.

For Henry Clewer Woodcock, Gent. to be Cornet, &c.
Read, Henry Cleever Woodcock, Gent. to be Cornet, &c.