

V Whitehall, August 29. 1695.

This Morning arrived here an Express from His Majesties Camp with the good News of the Surrender of the Castle of Namur; and brought the Accounts which follow.

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From before the Castle of Namur, Sept. 1. N. S. 1695.

ON Tuesday the 30th of August N. S. we made a general Assault, the disposition being as follows: The Lord Cutts attackt the Counterscarp and Breach of the Terra Nova with a Detachment of Grenadiers from the Army, and 4 Regiments of Foot. Count Rivera Major-General in the Spanish Service attackt the Cohorn on the side next the Terra Nova with 3000 Spaniards and Bavarians. Major-General la Cave attackt the Cohorn on the right of the Spaniards with 2000 Brandenburgers. Major-General Swerin attackt the Casotte with 2000 Dutch, and the Lower Town was attackt by a Colonel with near 2000 men. The English advanced with great order and resolution, and had gained the top of the Breach (though a great deal of Fire on all sides) but found the Enemy so advantageously posted and entrenched behind the Breach, with the ground on their side so very bad, that they could not advance in any Front, and were forced to retire. Count Rivera was soon killed upon approaching the Counterscarp, but the Bavarians tookt post upon a Salient Angle of the Cohorn, and maintained a hot fire with the Enemy, who disputed hard to dislodge them, and when most of the Officers of the Bavarian Guards were killed and wounded, and that the other Regiments had suffered very much, the Enemy continuing their fire with a great deal of obstinacy, the English that had left the Terra Nova, not being able to do any thing on that side, withdrew the Spaniards and Bavarians under the Command of my Lord Cutts, who at the same time ordered a Lieutenant of Colonel Mackay's Regiment with thirty men to pass the Palisadoes, and attack a Battery of the Enemy, which he executed with a great deal of Resolution, turning 7 of their own Cannon against them, securing at the same time some of their Mines, and the English and Bavarians planting their Colours upon the Palisadoes; and thus the Bavarians made a good Lodgment. While this happened Major-General la Cave with the Brandenburgs, and Major-General Swerin with the Dutch, made each of them likewise a Lodgment, of all which we continue in possession, and are improving, in order to another Assault: And our Batteries are now ordered to play upon Terra Nova, to make that Attack more practicable.

P. S. The Besieged just now desire to Capitulate.

An Abstract of the Killed and Wounded of the 4 English Regiments that made the Assault upon the Castle of Namur, under the Command of the Lord Cutts, the 30th of August, N. S. 1695.

THE Lord Cutts wounded.

Of Col. Coulthorpe's Regiment: The Colonel, one Captain, one Subaltern, and 101 Soldiers, killed. The Lieutenant-Colonel, 3 Captains, 5 Subalterns, and 149 Soldiers, wounded.

Col. Fred. Hamilton's Regiment: Three Captains, 7 Subalterns, and 85 Soldiers, killed. Six Captains, 8 Subalterns, and 185 Soldiers, wounded. The Lieutenant-Colonel killed or Prisoner.

Col. Mackay's Regiment: One Captain, one Subaltern, and 70 Soldiers killed. The Colonel bruised. The Major, 4 Captains, 11 Subalterns, and 160 Soldiers, wounded.

Col. Bachan's Regiment: Two Captains, 2 Subalterns, and 62 Soldiers, killed. The Lieutenant-Colonel, 6 Captains, 6 Subalterns, and 158 Soldiers, wounded.

Commission Officers Killed, 19. Soldiers, 319.
Commission-Officers Wounded, 54. Soldiers, 682.

Volunteers wounded; Col. Winsor, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Stanhop.

From the Camp at Ostin, Sept. 1. The Enemy appear every day in the front of our Line; on Tuesday they came with about 70 Squadrons to Bouches, where they have taken post, extending their Line from that place to

the Right near to Perwys; whereupon his Majesty caused the Army likewise to move, and extended our Right to Longchamp, our left being near St. Denis, and a Brigade of Foot is left at Maty to secure that Post. Yesterday they appeared with about 11 Squadrons near our grand Guard, but were soon repulsed. His Majesty having dined very early, was this afternoon upon his way to the Camp before Namur, in order to give Directions concerning a further Attack of the Castle, and met an Adjutant sent by the Elector of Bavaria to give his Majesty an account that the Marechal de Boufflers and Monsieur de Guiscard had desired to Capitulate, offering at first to do it for the Cohorn alone: but that upon the Elector's refusal, they had agreed for the whole. Upon his Majesty's arrival there, Hostages were exchanged, and Propositions brought from the Castle to the Saline, the chief of which is, That they may have ten days to expect Succours, which is absolutely denied them, and only two proposed to be allowed. The other Propositions are of no great consequence, being such as are usual, and are most of them agreed to by the Elector with his Majesty's Consent, but no answer being come from the Castle before his Majesty's return thither, there can be no further account given till to morrow morning; but in the general it appears that the Enemy suffered so very much at the last Assault, and are otherwise so much dispirited, that there is little doubt of their submitting to what is granted.

From the Camp at Ostin, near Namur, Septemb. 2. N. S. This Morning the Capitulation for the Surrender of the Castle of Namur was signed; and in pursuance of it, we have already taken possession of part of the Out-works, and the French are to deliver up the Castle and all the rest on Monday Morning. The Marechal de Villeroi is retiring with the French Army towards Flers.

Articles proposed by the Marechal de Boufflers to His Electoral Highness the Elector of Bavaria, jointly with the Allies, for the Capitulation of the Castle of Namur.

I. **T**hat the said Castle with the Lower Town shall be delivered up to the Troops of the Allies the 10th of this Instant September in case it be not relieved, and that during the said time there shall be committed no Act of Hostility between the Besieged and the Besiegers.

II. That on the said 10th of September there shall be given up to the said Troops of the Allies the first Gate of Entry into the said Castle on the side of the Country, where a Guard of the Troops of the Garrison shall be likewise placed to prevent the Troops mixing together, and all disorders.

Answer to the first and second Articles.

The Outward Fortifications, viz. the Fort of Cohorne, the Redoubt Casemattee, the Casotte, and the Horn Work of Bule, shall be delivered up to morrow, being the 2d Instant, at 9 in the morning.

III. That the Marechal de Boufflers, the Count de Guiscard, Lieutenant-General of the Kings Armies, Governor of Namur, with all the General Officers, and Field-Officers of the Place, the Officers and Guards of the said Marechal, the Troops as well French, as Strangers, the Officers of the Artillery, and all others whatsoever that are in the Castle for the service of the most Christian King, shall march out on the 12th of this month through the Breaches with their Arms, Baggage and Horses, Drums Beating, Match Lighted, and Colours Flying, with 12 Pieces of Great Cannon and 4 Mortars, as the Besieged shall choose, with their Carriages, and Arms and Ammunition for 12 discharges for every Piece

Pieces, in order to repair all together to *Givet*, along the *Meuse* by the nearest way, and in 2 or 3 days, at the choice of the Besieged, and on any pretence whatsoever they shall not be obliged to go another way, and a Convey shall be given them by the Allies as well for the security of the Garrison as their Equipages.

Answer.

They shall march out the 5th of this month, at 7 in the morning, with two pieces of Cannon of 24 Pounders, two 12 Pounders, and two 6 Pounders, and two Mortars, and the rest of the Article is granted.

IV. That for Transporting the said 12 Pieces of Cannon, and Mortars, the Equipages of the Troops, and the Sick and Wounded of the said Garrison, there shall be furnished by the Allies, and at their charge 100 Carriage Horses with their Harnesses, 100 Wagons, drawn each by 4 Horses, and 50 Great Boats on the *Meuse*, with a sufficient number of Watermen and Horses to conduct them to *Givet*, all which shall be provided the 10th of this month, that so they may load them time enough to depart with the Garrison, and to take the same way, that they may arrive at the same time at *Givet*.

V. That the Sick and Wounded, remaining in the Town of *Namur*, who are in a condition to depart with the Garrison of the Castle, may do so at the same time, and that Boats and Watermen shall be likewise furnished them at the charge of the Allies to transport them to *Givet*.

Answer to the fourth and fifth Articles.

There shall be provided for them a sufficient number of Horses for the Cannon and Mortars, 80 Wagons, and as many Boats as can be found in two days before that which is fixed for the going out of the Garrison, and the rest as fast as they can be got, so as that the whole shall be furnished before the 12th of this month. The Besieged may leave Officers and Commissaries to take care of the Sick and Wounded, and the Equipages who cannot depart with the Garrison on the 5th for want of Boats: and Passports shall be given them, and the rest of these Articles are granted.

VI. That such of the Sick and Wounded that are at present in the Castle and Lower Town, and who shall not be in a condition to be transported to *Givet* at the same time the Garrison marches out of the Castle, shall be transported to the Town of *Namur* by such Carriages and other Conveniences as the Besiegers shall furnish before the Evacuation of the Castle; and that convenient Lodgings shall be provided by the Allies in the said Town for the Officers, Dragoons, and Soldiers, with Beds, Provisions and Medicaments at the charge of the Allies, until their perfect Recovery, in the same manner as they are used to be treated and provided for in the most Christian Kings Hospitals; as also Physicians, Chyrurgeons, and other Persons to be employed to take care of them; and as soon as any of the Sick and Wounded shall be recovered, they shall be furnished by the Allies with Passports, Boats and Watermen to conduct them by the *Meuse* in safety to *Givet*, together with the Physicians, Chyrurgeons, and others that shall be proposed to take care of them on the way.

Granted.

VII. That Monsieur de *Megrisy*, Marechal de Camp of the King's Armies, the *Sieur Feller*, Director of the Fortifications, the Engineers, Undertakers, and others employed on the Fortifications, shall enjoy the benefit of this Capitulation, and shall march out with the Troops, in order to repair by the same way to *Givet*, with their Equipages and Effects.

Granted.

VIII. That the *Sieur de Fumeron*, employed for the Finances, the Commissaries of War, the Receivers of Contributions, and of the Fortifications, the Treasurers Extraordinary of the War, the Com-

missaries of Provisions and Hospitals, and generally all those employed in the Castle, whether named, or not named in the present Capitulation, shall march out of the said Castle, together with the Garrison, in order to go by the same way to *Givet*; and on any pretence whatsoever neither they nor their Equipages, Papers and Effects shall be stopped, whether they be in the Castle, or in the Town of *Namur*.

IX. That likewise no Officer or other Person to whom the Besiegers of *Namur* have lent any Money, or furnished Goods or Merchandize shall be stopp'd.

Answer to the Eighth and Ninth Articles.

Granted, provided they give before Security or Hostages to the Satisfaction of his Electoral Highness for what they may owe.

X. That there shall be provided by the Allies for the Besieged 6 Covered Wagons, which shall go out of the Castle, and be conducted to *Givet* with the Garrison, and the Allies shall not take notice of what they are loaded with, nor visit them.

Granted.

XI. That the Prisoners taken during the present Siege shall be released on both sides; and that those who are in the Army of the Allies, or in the Town, shall be sent back to the Castle before the Garrison marches out; and the rest that are in places more remote shall be sent back to *Dinant* in 15 days, to reckon from this day, with the necessary Passports, that they may repair thither in safety by the nearest way.

Granted.

XII. That no Satisfaction shall be pretended of the Besieged, on account of any Cattel taken in the County of *Namur* before the Siege; nor the Houses that have been demolished in the Lower Town, or elsewhere, for the Defence of the place, no more than for the Beams burnt or broke during the Siege.

Granted only for what concerns the Houses demolished, and the rest shall be paid.

XIII. That the Hostages which shall be given on both sides, for the due performance of this Capitulation shall be reciprocally restored after the full Execution of the same, and the Arrival of the Garrison at *Givet*.

Granted.

The Besieged shall be obliged faithfully to deliver up their Magazines, Ammunition, Arms, Cannon, Mortars, Carriages, and Dependances, and all other Instruments of War, none reserved or excepted, which shall be as well in the Castle as in the Outworks, to morrow morning the 2d of this month, to such Commissaries as shall be appointed by his Electoral Highness for that purpose.

They shall be obliged faithfully to discover their Mines and Fosses to the Officers of the Miners who shall be sent to inspect the same.

They shall likewise deliver up all the Provisions that are in the Magazines, besides what they shall spend to the time of their quitting the Castle, and what shall be necessary for them in their march to *Givet*, without waiting or spoiling any; Of which they shall give Inspection to morrow to the Commissaries to be appointed by his Electoral Highness for that purpose.

That all the Spaniards, Italians, and others Subjects of His Catholic Majesty which shall be found among the Troops of the Garrison of the Castle shall have liberty to return back, without any molestation or trouble to be given them on one side or other.

Given at the Camp before the Castle of Namur, September 1. 1695.

Two Counterparts of this Capitulation were signed, one by the Elector of *Bavaria*, and the other by the Marechal de *Boufflers* and Monsieur de *Guiscard*.