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SUPPLEMENT TO THE LONDON GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY. OF FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5. SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

Downing-Street, September 6. A dispatch, of which the following is an extract, was this day received by the Right Hon. Charles James Fox, his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, from Hugh Elliot, Esq. late his Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of his Sicilian Majesty :-

Extract of a Dispatch from Hugh Elliot, Esq. to the Right Hon. Charles James Fox, dated Palermo, 5th

Right Hon. Charles James Fox, dated Palermo, 5th August 1806.

Sir,

Vinclose herewith the copy of a letter of the 3d of August, which I have received this day from Sir John Stuart.

By the surrender of Cotrone, and the retreat of both General Verdier and General Regnier from Upper and Lower Calabria, those provinces are now restored to their legal Sovereign. are now restored to their legal Sovereign.

The battle of Maida, upon the 4th of July, will long be recorded in this part of Europe as a memorable proof of the superiority of British courage and discipline.

Of the nine thousand men which General Reg-nier commanded in the province of Calabria Ul-terior, not more than three thousand are left to attempt their retreat towards Puglia; the remainder are all either killed, wounded, or made prisoners. Every fort along the coasts; all the depots of stores, ammunition, and artillery, prepared for the attack of Sicily, are become the prey of the victors; and, what perhaps may be considered as even of still more consequence than those advantages, an indelible impression is established of the superior bravery and discipline of the British troops.

There is not perhaps to be found in the annals of military transactions an enterprize prepared with more deliberate reflection, or executed with greater decision, promptitude, and success, than the late invasion of Calabria by Sir John Stuart. Extract of a dispatch from Major-General Sir John Stuart to Hugh Elliot, Esq. dated Messina, 3d Auguft 1806.

Having occasion to send an express to my Aide-de-Gamp, Captain Bulkeley, at Palermo, I avail myself of the opportunity to acquaint you with another fortunate result of our auspicious day at Maida. Cotrone, with all its stores, magazines, &c. and six hundred troops, (now prisoners,) capitulated on Wednesday evening lass to the land and naval forces of his Britannic Majesty, under Lieut.-Colonel M'Leod, of the 78th regiment, and Captain Hoste, of his Majesty's frigate Amphion, who were assisted in their opera-tions against that place, and upon the adjacent coasts, by the gun-boats of his Sicilian Majesty. Three hundred prisoners, who prove to be survi-vors of the wounded, after the action of the 4th

ult. are already arrived in this port.

General Regnier, who had endeavoured to hold his position; under much embarrassment for some time past, between Cotrone and Cautanzaro, has retreated precipitately towards Tarento; and it was reported when the transport left Catrone, that he had been attacked by the masse, and had

lost six or seven hundred of his flying people.

I am now to congratulate you on the total evacuation of Calabria Ultra, in which single province, previous to the action of the 4th, we have every certainty that the enemy had a distributed force of at least nine thousand men; of these, when General Regnier quitted his position, near Cotrone, certainly not three thousand remained. The losses of the French in Upper Calabria have also borne a proportion.

A great deal of heavy ordnance, lately trans-

ported by the French to Cotrone, besides what was found mounted on the castle, amounting in the whole to about forty pieces, have fallen into our hands.

A dispatch, of which the following is a copy, has been received by the Right Hon. William Windham, one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, from General the Right Hon. H. E. Fox, Commander of his Majesty's forces in the Mediterranean.

S 1 R, Meffina, Aug. 3. 1806. I have the honour of inclosing to you the capitulation of Cotrone, as well as extracts of two letters received this day from Lieut. Colonel M'Leod, of the 78th regiment, and addressed to Major General Sir John Stuart, who had detach-

Major General Sir John Stuart, who had detached that officer for the purpose of giving support to the armed peasantry on the adjacent coast, and of making an attack on that place itself.

Lieut. Colonel M'Leod appears to have conducted himself with the greatest judgment and activity in this service, and to have received the most ready co-operation, and essential assistance. most ready co-operation, and essential assistance, from Captain Hoste, of his Majesty's ship Amphion, who has all along acted in conjunction with him. I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed)

H. E. Fox.

(Signed) Right Hon. W. Windham, &c. &c.

Extra C of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel M Leod to Major General Sir John Stuart, dated Amphion frigate, off Cotrone, 27th July 1806.

By the letter I had the honour of addressing to you on the 24th instant, accompanying the duplicates of my letters of the preceding evening, duplicates of my letters of the preceding evening, you will be awaye that it was my intention to move, in conjunction with Captain Hoste's squadron, to this place on the following day, under an impression that a feint on the enemy's rear, and this his sole remaining depot, would induce him to divide his force, and of course make it so much the more easy for the Chiefs of the masse to succeed!

