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WAR-DEPARTMENT, May 24, 1855.

LORD PANMURE has this day received a Despatch and its Enclosures, of which the following are Copies, addressed to His Lordship by Field-Marshal the Lord Raglan, G.C.B. :—

Before Sevastopol,

MY LORD,

May 12, 1855.

I do myself the honour to acquaint your Lordship that General de la Marmora, with a portion of the Sardinian Contingent, arrived off Balaklava on the night of the 8th instant, and he came up to head-quarters the following morning.

The very unfavourable state of the weather since the 9th has prevented any material part of the force being landed ; and it has been found necessary to send the vessels that brought it, and which could not be got into the harbour, to Kazatch Bay, until it should moderate.

Five troops of the 12th Lancers landed on the 9th from the Himalaya, which performed the voyage from Alexandria to Balaklava in ninety-four hours.

The enemy made two serious assaults upon our most advanced parallel of the right attack on the night of the 9th, but were on each occasion most nobly met and repulsed with considerable loss.

The arrangements of Colonel Trollope, who had charge of the right attack, and Lieutenant-Colonel Mundy, the Field Officer of the trenches, were most judicious ; and Captain Turner, of the Royal Fusiliers, and Captain Jordan, of the 34th Regiment, are reported to have done their duty in the most gallant manner.

They opened a powerful fire on our trenches on the following night, and exposed their columns to a heavy musketry fire from the troops on duty. They did not however reach the parapets, nor indeed come very near them.

Last night a very determined sortie was made upon the advance of our left attack. The enemy moved forward in two columns from the Woronzow road. Our advanced sentries having slowly retired, the guard of the trenches was prepared to receive them, and consequently drove them back in the most determined manner. A few Russians only got into the parallel, and five were left dead close outside.

The conduct of both Officers and men was admirable, and it is with deep concern that I have to report the death of Captain Edwards of the 68th Foot, and that of five men.

I have also the pain of saying that the wounded amount to thirty.

Owing to the great quantity of rain which has fallen during the last few days, the service in the trenches has again been most arduous and severe upon our men, who deserve all praise for their energy and untiring perseverance.

I enclose the Returns of Casualties to the 10th instant.

I have, &c.

RAGLAN.

The Lord Panmure, &c., &c., &c.

Enclosure 1.

Return of Casualties from the 7th to the 10th of May 1855, inclusive.

- 1st Battalion 1st Regiment of Foot—1 rank and file, wounded.
- 2d Battalion, 1st Foot—1 Officer, 3 rank and file, wounded.
- 4th Foot—1 rank and file, killed.
- 7th Foot—6 rank and file, wounded.
- 9th Foot—1 rank and file, wounded.
- 18th Foot—1 rank and file, wounded.
- 19th Foot—4 rank and file, wounded.
- 20th Foot—1 rank and file, killed ; 1 rank and file, wounded.
- 23d Foot—2 rank and file, wounded.
- 30th Foot—1 rank and file, wounded.
- 34th Foot—2 rank and file, killed ; 1 Officer, 4 rank and file, wounded.
- 39th Foot—2 rank and file, wounded.
- 41st Foot—1 rank and file, killed ; 7 rank and file, wounded.
- 47th Foot—3 rank and file, wounded.
- 48th Foot—1 rank and file, wounded.
- 50th Foot—1 rank and file, wounded.
- 57th Foot—1 serjeant, killed ; 1 serjeant, wounded.
- 62d Foot—1 rank and file, wounded.
- 77th Foot—2 rank and file, wounded.
- 88th Foot—3 rank and file, killed ; 7 rank and file, wounded.
- 89th Foot—1 rank and file, killed ; 4 rank and file, wounded.
- 90th Foot—2 rank and file, wounded.