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WAR-DEPARTMENT, July 30, 1855.

LORD PANMURE has this day received two Despatches and their Enclosures, of which the following are Copies, addressed to his Lordship by Lieutenant-General Simpson, Commanding Her Majesty's Forces in the East:—

*Before Sevastopol,
July 17, 1855.*

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to submit for your Lordship's information the accompanying letters from Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell, 90th Regiment; the one referring to his personal services, and the other to those of a party of the 55th Regiment on the occasion of the capture of the Quarries in front of the Redan, on the night of the 7th ultimo.

With regard to Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell's own services, I think it right to inform your Lordship that I find, upon enquiry, that the charge of holding the Quarries on the night in question, and of repelling the repeated attacks of the enemy, was confided to that officer after he had led the assault, and was in fact a separate and detached command from that of Colonel Shirley, who acted as General of the day in the trenches of the right attack; the Despatch of the late Field-Marshal Lord Raglan has already shewn how admirably that duty was performed by the brave men who were under the immediate direction of Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell.

The Lieutenant-Colonel's letter, recording the good conduct of the party of the 55th Regiment, speaks for itself.

I have, &c.,
JAMES SIMPSON,
Lieutenant-General Commanding.

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

Enclosure 1.

*Camp, Light Division,
July 13, 1855.*

SIR,

THE Despatch of the late lamented Field-Marshal Lord Raglan, of 9th June, mentions that I commanded the storming party on the Quarries

on the evening of the 7th June. May I beg most respectfully that you will bring it to the notice of Lieutenant-General Simpson, commanding the Forces, that I not only had the honour of commanding the storming party, but that, having been twice wounded in the assault, I retained the sole and undivided command in the Quarries, not only of the original attacking force and supports, but of all reinforcements, during the whole night, until relieved at 7 A.M. on the 8th. The Despatches must have explained already that the enemy made several desperate efforts during the night to regain the works, and that on three occasions overpowering numbers succeeded in re-entering, but were, on all occasions, driven back at the point of the bayonet. The entire night was, indeed, one continued struggle for this position, the fatigue and anxiety of which I have never recovered from. When Lord Raglan's Despatch was completed, I have reason to suppose his Lordship had not received the details, as my own report to Colonel Shirley, General of the trenches, was unavoidably delayed in consequence of my wounds, and not being able to write. In justice to myself, conscious of having performed an important duty to the best of my ability, and successfully, I now respectfully submit this statement to the Commander of the Forces, with the hope that he may be pleased to have my services on this occasion mentioned and particularized. At present several officers have equal praise in the Despatch who were not in the Quarries at all.

I have, &c.,

ROB. CAMPBELL, Lieutenant-Colonel,
Commanding 90th Light Infantry.

*Lieutenant-Colonel Brownrigg,
Military Secretary, &c., &c., &c.,
Head-Quarters.*

Enclosure 2.

SIR,

Camp, July 10.

I HAVE the honour of forwarding the enclosed Letter for the consideration of the Lieutenant-General commanding the Forces; but I beg to remark, that in my report of the occurrences on the night of the 7th of June, I took care to mention the services of the 55th Regiment, which

