

repel the Enemy. The Reserve, under the Command of Major-General Moore, which was on the Right, on the Change of the Position of the Army, moved on in Column, and covered the Right Flank. The Army continued to advance, pushing the Enemy with the greatest Vigour, and ultimately forcing them to put themselves under the Protection of the fortified Heights which form the principal Defence of Alexandria.

It was intended to have attacked them in this their last Position; for which Purpose the Reserve under the Command of Major-General Moore, which had remained in Column during the whole of the Day, was brought forward, and the Second Line, under the Command of Major-General Hutchinson, marched to the Left across a Part of the Lake Mariotis, with a View to attack the Enemy on both Flanks; but on reconnoitring their Position, and not being prepared to occupy it after it should be carried, Prudence required that the Troops who had behaved so bravely, and who were still willing to attempt any Thing, however arduous, should not be exposed to a certain Loss, when the Extent of the Advantage could not be ascertained. They were therefore withdrawn, and now occupy a Position with their Right to the Sea, and their Left to the Canal of Alexandria and Lake Mariotis, about a League from the Town of Alexandria.

I have the greatest Satisfaction in saying, that the Conduct of the British and Foreign Troops under my Command is deserving of the highest Praise; their Courage and their Discipline have been equally conspicuous.

To all the General Officers I am indebted for their Zeal and Intelligence.

From the Honorable Brigadier-General Hope, Adjutant-General, and Lieutenant-Colonel Anstruther, Quarter-Master-General, I have received every Testimony of Zeal, and the most able Assistance in the Operations of the Army; and to the other Officers of the General Staff, I feel Obligations.

On the 8th the Arrangements made by Lord Keith, were such as to enable us to land at once a Body of Six Thousand men.

The Honorable Captain Cochrane, and those other Captains and Officers of the Royal Navy who were entrusted with the Disembarkation, not only of the Troops, but of the Artillery, Ammunition, Provisions, and Stores of all Kinds, have exerted themselves in such a Manner as to claim the warmest Acknowledgments of the whole Army.

Sir Sidney Smith, and the other Captains and Officers of the Navy under his Command who landed with the Army, have been indefatigable in their Exertions in forwarding the Service on which they are employed.

The Enemy have left a small Garrison in Aboukir Castle; it has been necessary to bring up a few Pieces of heavy Artillery, and there is Reason to believe that it will speedily surrender.

Majors Mac Kerras and Fletcher, of the Royal Engineers, who went down in the Penelope Frigate to survey the Coast of Egypt, a short Time before we sailed from Marmarice, were unfortunately surprized in a small Boat in Aboukir Bay; the former was killed, and the latter taken Prisoner.

Our Communication with the Fleet is at present kept up by Means of the Lake of Aboukir. We

have been fortunate enough to find Water sufficient for the Supply of the Army; and we begin to derive some Supplies from the Country.

I have the Honor to enclose herewith Returns of the Killed and Wounded in the Actions of the 8th and 13th Instant, together with a Return of the Artillery taken from the Enemy on those Days.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

RA. ABERCROMBY.

P. S. I have had no Means of ascertaining the Loss of the Enemy, but it must have been considerable.

*Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing of the Army under the Command of General Sir Ralph Abercromby, K. B. Aboukir, March 8, 1801.*

*Brigade of Guards.*

1st Battalion of the Coldstream.—1 Officer, 17 Rank and File killed; 5 Officers, 11 Serjeants, 1 Drummer, 57 Rank and File wounded; 6 Rank and File missing.

1st Battalion of the 3d Regiment.—1 Serjeant, 4 Rank and File killed; 2 Serjeants, 38 Rank and File wounded; 1 Drummer, 7 Rank and File missing.

*1st Brigade.*

2d Battalion of Royals.—1 Serjeant, 11 Rank and File killed; 4 Officers, 3 Serjeants, 40 Rank and File wounded.

1st Battalion of the 54th Regiment.—1 Officer, 3 Rank and File killed; 1 Officer, 2 Serjeants, 1 Drummer, 4 Rank and File wounded.

2d Battalion of the 54th Regiment.—1 Rank and File killed; 1 Officer, 1 Serjeant, 9 Rank and File wounded.

*Reserve.*

23d Regiment.—6 Rank and File, killed; 2 Officers, 1 Serjeant, 37 Rank and File, wounded; 1 Rank and File, missing.

28th Regiment.—5 Rank and File, killed; 1 Serjeant, 33 Rank and File, wounded.

42d Ditto.—1 Serjeant, 20 Rank and File, killed; 8 Officers, 7 Serjeants, 1 Drummer, 140 Rank and File, wounded.

58th Regiment.—1 Officer, 9 Rank and File, killed; 2 Officers, 4 Serjeants, 41 Rank and File, wounded; 5 Rank and File, missing.

1st Battalion of the 40th Regiment, Flank Company.—1 Officer, 8 Rank and File, killed; 2 Officers, 1 Drummer, 19 Rank and File, wounded.

2d Battalion of the 40th Regiment, Flank Company.—1 Serjeant, 6 Rank and File, killed; 11 Rank and File, wounded.

Corfican Rangers.—4 Rank and File, killed; 1 Officer, 2 Serjeants, 1 Drummer, 21 Rank and File, wounded; 1 Officer, 1 Serjeant, 13 Rank and File, missing.

Total.—4 Officers, 4 Serjeants, 94 Rank and File, killed; 26 Officers, 34 Serjeants, 5 Drummers, 450 Rank and File, wounded; 1 Officer, 1 Serjeant, 1 Drummer, 32 Rank and File, missing.

**OFFICERS KILLED.**

Ensign Warren, of the Coldstream Guards.

Major Ogle, of the 58th Regiment.

Honorable Ensign Mead, of the 40th Flank Company.