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CAPTAIN WILBY, Aid-de-Camp to Lieutenant-General Sir George Beckwith, K. B. commanding His Majesty's Forces in the Windward and Leeward Islands, arrived this Morning with a Dispatch from the Lieutenant-General to the Earl of Liverpool, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, of which the following is a Copy.

My Lord, *Guadaloupe, Feb. 9, 1810.*

IN obedience to the King's Command to attack this Island, as pointed out in your Lordship's Dispatch of the 2d November last, I have the Honour to report, for His Majesty's Information, that having taken the necessary Measures to collect such a Force as Circumstances admitted, and as I judged adequate to this important Service, and having made every necessary Arrangement with Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane, I sailed from Martinique on the 22d Ult. to the Place of general Rendezvous, at Prince Rupert's, Dominica, where we were detained Forty-eight Hours, some of the Transports having fallen to Leeward.

The Army was formed into Five Brigades.

The First Brigade, under the Command of Brigadier-General Harcourt, was composed of Five Hundred Light Infantry, Three Hundred of the 15th Foot, including their Flank Companies, and Four Hundred Battalion Men of the 3d West India Regiment.

The Second Brigade, commanded by Brigadier-General Barrow, consisted of Three Hundred Grenadiers, Six Hundred Men of the 25th Regiment, including their Flank Companies, and Three Hundred and Fifty Men of the 6th West India Regiment, including their Flank Companies.

The Third Brigade, commanded by Brigadier-General Maclean, consisted of Five Hundred Light Infantry, Five Hundred Men of the 90th Foot, in-

cluding their Flank Companies, and Four Hundred Men of the 8th West India Regiment, including their Flank Companies.

The Fourth Brigade, commanded by Brigadier-General Skinner, was composed of a Battalion of Six Hundred Men formed from the 13th and 63d Regiments, a Detachment of Two Hundred Men of the York Light Infantry Volunteers, and the 4th West India Regiment.

The Fifth Brigade, under the Command of Brigadier-General Wale, consisted of Three Hundred Grenadiers, Nine Hundred Men of the Royal York Rangers; to this Force was added Three Hundred Artillery, under the Command of Colonel Burton, with a Company of Military Artificers. These Brigades were formed into Two Divisions and a Reserve.

The First Division, commanded by Major-General Hislop, was composed of the Third and Fourth Brigades; the Second Division, under the Command of Brigadier-General Harcourt, consisted of the First and Second Brigades.

The Fifth Brigade under the Command of Brigadier-General Wale, formed the Reserve.

The Second Division sailed from Dominica on the Morning of the 26th, and anchored at the Saintes. The First Division, with the Reserve, sailed in the course of the Afternoon; and anchored on the 27th at Isle Gosier Grande Terre, and early in the Morning of the 28th, proceeded across the Bay to St. Mary's in Capesterre, in the smaller Vessels of War, other Craft and Flat Boats, where a Landing was effected without Opposition in the course of the Day, and in the Afternoon, the First Division, under the Command of Major-General Hislop, moved forward, the Third Brigade to Capesterre, the Fourth Brigade to Grande Riviere, the Reserve remained to cover the Landing of the necessary Provisions, and other Objects.

On the 29th, the First Division marched to the