

Effect of this terrible Explosion. Many of the Guns were dismounted upon the Ramparts, the Works were materially injured, and a general Dismay spread amongst the Troops and Inhabitants of the Place.

In this distressing Situation I received a Letter from the Commander in Chief of the French Army of Portugal, proposing to me that I should surrender the Place to the French Army under his Command upon honourable Terms, which, he said, he was ready to grant; I answered, that I wished to know the Terms which he proposed; upon which the Articles, of which I have the Honour to send your Excellency a Copy, were transmitted to me, and which, after using every Effort in my Power to obtain more favourable Terms, I accepted, with an Exception in favour of the Militia Regiments. I hope my Conduct on this trying Occasion will meet your Excellency's Approbation, and that I shall remain justified by the Circumstances in the Eyes of my Country.

The Prince of Essling has been good enough to allow me to return to England on my Parole, accompanied by Major Hewitt and Captain Foley, of the 24th Regiment, and we are now on our way to France, to embark from thence for a British Port.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) W. COX.

(Translation.)

CAPITULATION for the Surrender of the Fortress of Almeida.

Art. I. The Garrison shall be Prisoners of War, with the Honours of War, that is to say, they shall march out with their Arms, which they shall deposit on the Glacis of the Place.

Answer—Accepted; except that the Militia, being only few, shall return to their Homes after having deposited their Arms; they are not to serve during the present War against France or her Allies.

Art. II. The Officers of every Description, and the Soldiers, shall retain, the former their Swords and Baggage, and the latter their Baggage only.

Art. III. The Inhabitants shall retain their Property, and shall not be disturbed for their Opinions.

Art. IV. The Military Stores and Artillery shall remain at the Disposal of the French Army, and shall be given up to the Commander of Artillery.

Art. V. The Magazines, Chests, &c. shall be given up to French Commissaries appointed for that Effect.

Art. VI. The Plans and Memorials of the Forts shall be given up to the Commandant of Engineers, of the French Army.

Art. VII. The Sick of the English and of the Portuguese Army shall be taken care of and maintained at the Expence of the French Army, and on their Recovery shall follow the Destination of the Garrison.

(Signed) MASSENA, Prince of Essling, &c.
W. COX, Governor of Almeida.

Camp before Almeida, August 27.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Ayr.

William Niven, Esq; to be Deputy Lieutenant.
Dated September 20, 1810.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Salop.

Centre Shropshire Regiment of Local Militia.

Edward Gibbons, Esq; to be Captain, vice Nicholls, resigned. Dated September 8, 1810.

Edward Haycock, Gent. to be Lieutenant, vice Plumer, resigned. Dated as above.

Jonathan Wild, Gent. to be ditto, vice Warren, resigned. Dated as above.

Morse and Royal Oak Volunteer Infantry.

Ensign George Bucknell to be Lieutenant, vice Ward, resigned. Dated August 25, 1810.

John Boulton, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Bucknell. Dated as above.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Norfolk.

Fakenham Volunteer Infantry.

Ensign Peter Smith Cole to be Lieutenant, vice Middleton, resigned. Dated September 12, 1810.

Abraham Page, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Cole, promoted. Dated as above.

Honingham Infantry.

Henry Daveney, jun. Gent. to be Ensign. Dated September 24, 1810.

Norwich Light Horse.

Michael Beverley, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Heath, promoted. Dated September 24, 1810.

Norwich Riflemen.

Samuel Coleman, Esq; to be Captain, vice Scott, deceased. Dated September 25, 1810.

Admiralty-Office, October 6, 1810.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Selby, of His Majesty's Ship the Owen Glendower, to John Wilson Croker, Esq; dated off the Lisard, the 1st Instant.

S I R,

I HAVE to acquaint you, for the Information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that this Morning, being in a thick Fog, at Nine o'Clock, I heard a firing, and soon after was boarded by the Master and Crew of one of the Ships in my Convoy, who informed me he had been captured by a French Cutter Privateer, and it soon after clearing up a little; we had the good Fortune to discover him at no great Distance, and after receiving a great Number of Shot, and having his Sails and Yards shot away, and several Men wounded, struck to His Majesty's Ship, and proved to be the Indomptable Privateer, belonging to Roscoff, out One Day, and had made only One Capture out of my Convoy, which we had also the good Fortune to recapture. I feel particular Satisfaction in having to announce to their Lordships the above Capture, as there can be no Doubt she would have done much Mischief to our Trade in the Situation where we found her. She mounts Eighteen Guns, and had on board a Crew consisting of One Hundred and Twenty Men.

I have, &c.

(Signed) W. SELBY.

Whitehall, September 25, 1810.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed George Hoper, of Lewes, in the County of Sussex, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.