

mend those officers to your Lordship most particularly.

Major Dickson, of the royal artillery, attached to the Portuguese artillery, has for some time had the direction of the heavy train attached to this army, and has conducted the intricate details of the late operation, as he did those of the late sieges of Badajoz, in the last summer, much to my satisfaction. The rapid execution produced by the well-directed fire kept up from our batteries, affords the best proof of the merits of the officers and men of the royal artillery, and of the Portuguese artillery employed on this occasion. But I must particularly mention Brigade-Major May, and Captains Holcombe, Power, Dyneley, and Dundas, of the royal artillery, and Captains Da Cunha and Da Corta, and Lieutenant Silva, of the 1st regiment of Portuguese artillery.

I have likewise particularly to report to your Lordship, the conduct of Major Sturgeon, of the royal staff corps. He constructed and placed for us the bridge over the Agueda; without which the enterprise could not have been attempted, and he afterwards materially assisted Lieutenant-General Graham and myself, in our reconnoissance of the place, on which the plan of the attack was founded; and he finally conducted the 2d battalion 5th regiment, as well as the 2d Caçadores, to their points of attack.

The Adjutant-General, and the Deputy-Quarter-Master-General, and the officers of their several departments, gave me every assistance throughout this service, as well as those of my personal staff; and I have great pleasure in adding, that, notwithstanding the season of the year, and the increased difficulties of procuring supplies for the troops, the whole army have been well supplied, and every branch of the service provided for during the late operations, by the indefatigable exertions of Mr. Commissary-General Bisset, and the officers belonging to his department.

The Marshal del Campo, Don Carlos d'España and Don Julian Sanchez, observed the enemy's movements beyond the Tormes, during the operations of the siege; and I am much obliged to them, and to the people of Castille in general, for the assistance I received from them. The latter have invariably shewn their detestation of the French tyranny, and their desire to contribute by every means in their power to remove it.

I will hereafter transmit to your Lordship a detailed account of what we have found in the place; but I believe there are one hundred and fifty-three pieces of ordnance, including the heavy train belonging to the French army, and great quantities of ammunition and stores. We have the Governor, General Banier, about seventy-eight officers, and one thousand seven hundred men, prisoners.

I transmit this dispatch by my Aide-de-Camp, the Honourable Major Gordon, who will give your Lordship any further details you may require; and I beg leave to recommend him to your protection.

I have the honour to be, &c.

WELLINGTON.

I enclose a return of the prisoners and of the ordnance which has been taken on this occasion. I have not yet been able to collect the returns of the killed and wounded, I therefore transmit a list containing the names of those who have fallen, according to the best information I could obtain, and I

will forward the returns to your Lordship as soon as possible.

*Return of killed and wounded between 15th and 19th January.*

British loss—1 serjeant, 25 rank and file, killed; 4 captains, 5 lieutenants, 3 serjeants, 133 rank and file, wounded.

Portuguese loss—1 serjeant, 15 rank and file, killed; 2 lieutenants, 77 rank and file, wounded.

*Names of Officers wounded between 15th and 19th of January.*

*15th January.*

Royal Engineers—Captain Mulcaster, slightly; Lieutenant Skelton, severely, since dead.

Portuguese Artillery—Second Lieutenant Roberts, slightly.

*16th January.*

Royal Engineers—Captain M'Culloch, severely; Lieutenant Marshall, slightly.

2d Batt. 5th Foot—Ensign Ashford, severely.

74th Regiment—Lieut. Ramage, slightly.

1st Batt. 88th—Lieut. Armstrong, slightly; Lieut. Flack, dangerously.

*18th January.*

Portuguese Artillery—Lieut. A. De Corta Silva, slightly.

*19th January.*

Royal Artillery—Capt. Dynely, slightly; Captain Power; ditto.

*Names of Officers killed and wounded on the Night of the 19th of January, according to the best information that can be obtained; the Returns not yet received.*

*Killed.*

Major-General Mac Kinnon;

2d Batt. 5th Foot—Captain M'Dougall;

1st Batt. 43th Foot—Captain Hardyman;

1st Batt. 52d Foot—Captain J. Dobbs;

94th Foot—Captain Williamson.

*Wounded.*

Major-General Craufurd, severely.

Major-General Vandeleur, slightly.

Royal Engineers—Lieutenant Thomson, severely.

43d Foot—Captain Fergusson, slightly.

52d Foot—Lieutenant-Colonel Colborne, severely; Major George Napier, lost an arm; Lieutenant Gurwood, slightly.

77th Foot—Captain M'Lean, severely (lost a leg).

88th Foot—Lieutenant Beresford, slightly.

95th Foot—Captain Uniacke, severely.

1st Portuguese Artillery—Captain Queerle.

*3d Division.*

50 non-commissioned officers and rank and file killed; 70 ditto wounded.

*Light Division.*

14 non-commissioned officers and rank and file killed; 60 ditto wounded.

*General Pack's Brigade.*

9 non-commissioned officers and rank and file wounded.