

A general attack began between six and seven in the evening. Two guns of Captain Ramsay's troop, and two nine-pounders of Captain Dubour-dieu's, under an escort of Captain Childer's troop of the 16th Light Dragoons, and of the advance of Colonel Halkett's light battalions, were brought rapidly forward on the Chaussée, and fired with effect against several formed bodies of the enemy in the plain near the town; while the column, consisting of the German light battalions, the brigade of Guards, and a Spanish division of General Giron's, continued to advance by the Chaussée.

Two Spanish battalions, and one Portuguese, forming a separate column on the left of the Chaussée, passed quickly on the left on the town.

General Bradford and the line battalions of the Germans driving in the enemy on their front, by the Pampeluna road, and Colonel Longa from the side of the mountains still more on the right, turning and forcing, from very strong positions, all the posted bodies of the enemy on the right of the town.

Still the enemy held possession of the town, which was much more capable of defence than had been represented.

The Vittoria gate was barricaded, and also the Pampeluna gate on the bridge; and both were flanked by convents and other large buildings occupied by the enemy, and the town was nowhere open. A nine-pounder was therefore brought up under cover of the fire of the light battalion, close to the gate, which was thus burst open.

It was now dark, and it was not possible to distinguish the troops of the different nations engaged, which gave the enemy, now flying from every point, an opportunity of escaping with much less loss than he must have suffered, had we had daylight.

The conduct of all the troops concerned in this attack was highly creditable; that of the line battalions on the Pampeluna road, and of the light battalions at the Vittoria gate, was such as was to be expected from these distinguished corps, and the column of the left did equal honour to the Spanish and Portuguese arms.

Col. Longa's corps, after a repetition of long and severe marches, undertook and executed, with the greatest spirit, the fatiguing duty of this day, and behaved in the most gallant manner. The battalions sent from Arpeyton by Lieut.-General Mendizabel repulsed, with great steadiness, an attack of the enemy, and afterwards pursued him down from the mountains, taking a good many prisoners.

I have not yet got the return, but I believe above two hundred prisoners were taken by the two Spanish corps, and many wounded men were left here. The enemy's loss in killed, too, must have been considerable.

This place has, besides the defences at the gates, new towers to flank the exterior wall, and a strong wood block-house in the square, which shews the importance the enemy attached to its occupation.

It would be unjust to the troops employed in this assault, not to mention their exemplary conduct when in possession; there was no excess committed. The German Legion, and Colonel Longa's corps passed on, and formed immediately beyond the town.

I have the honour to enclose a return of the killed and wounded of the British and Portuguese in these two days, which, considering the nature of the service, could not have been expected to be less than considerable.

The Spaniards lost several Officers killed and wounded yesterday, but I have not had any return of them.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) T. GRAHAM, Lieut.-Gen.
The Marquess of Wellington, &c. &c. &c.

Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing, of the Allied Army under the Command of His Excellency General the Marquess of Wellington, K. G. in Action with the Enemy on the 24th and 25th June 1813.

24th June 1813.

1st Light Batt. King's German Legion—5 rank and file killed; 2 lieutenants, 2 serjeants, 30 rank and file, wounded; 1 rank and file missing.
2d Ditto—2 rank and file killed; 1 major, 1 lieutenant, 2 drummers, 12 rank and file, wounded.
Portuguese Loss—1 serjeant, 11 rank and file, killed; 1 captain, 1 serjeant, 1 drummer, 2 rank and file, wounded.

25th June 1813.

1st Line Batt. King's German Legion—1 rank and file killed; 1 lieutenant, 6 rank and file, wounded.
2d Ditto—5 rank and file killed; 2 captains, 1 lieutenant, 1 serjeant, 23 rank and file, wounded.
5th Ditto—3 rank and file killed; 1 captain, 1 serjeant, 25 rank and file, wounded.
1st Light Batt. King's German Legion—5 rank and file killed; 2 captains, 3 lieutenants, 2 drummers, 24 rank and file, wounded.

Portuguese loss—1 lieutenant, 1 ensign, 2 serjeants, 22 rank and file, killed; 1 lieutenant-colonel, 2 captains, 1 lieutenant, 7 ensigns, 7 serjeants, 1 drummer, 131 rank and file, wounded; 1 ensign, 43 rank and file, missing.

General Total Loss on the 24th and 25th June:

Total British—21 rank and file killed; 1 major, 5 captains, 8 lieutenants, 4 serjeants, 4 drummers, 120 rank and file, wounded; 1 rank and file missing.

Total Portuguese—1 lieutenant, 1 ensign, 3 serjeants, 33 rank and file killed; 1 lieutenant-colonel, 3 captains, 1 lieutenant, 7 ensigns, 8 serjeants, 2 drummers, 152 rank and file, wounded; 1 ensign, 43 rank and file, missing.

Grand total—1 lieutenant, 1 ensign, 3 serjeants, 54 rank and file, killed; 1 lieutenant-colonel, 1 major, 8 captains, 9 lieutenants, 7 ensigns, 12 serjeants, 6 drummers, 272 rank and file, wounded; 1 ensign, 44 rank and file, missing.

(Signed) E. PAKENHAM, Adj. Gen.

Names of Officers killed, wounded, and missing.

24th June 1813.

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