

22d November 1813.

THE rain which commenced on the 11th inst. continued, almost without interruption, till the 19th at night, and has left the roads and country in such a state, as to be at this moment impracticable for any general movement of the army.

Lieutenant-General Sir Rowland Hill reconnoitred the enemy's posts at the tête-de-pont at Cambo, on the 12th, and again on the 16th; the enemy withdrew from it on the latter day, having blown up the bridge.

Nothing of importance has occurred since, excepting, that on the 18th instant, the enemy reconnoitred Lieutenant-General Sir John Hope's advanced posts, on which occasion Brigadier-General Wilson was unfortunately wounded.

Marshal Sir William Beresford, on the same day, drove the enemy's posts across the bridge of Urdains, and established his there. On the following morning, before day-light, the enemy made an attempt to drive them in and destroy the bridge; they failed in both attempts, and the Marshal praises the conduct of the 9th Portuguese regiment, under Colonel Sutton, in the first operation, and that of the 11th Caçadores, under Colonel Duersback, in both.

My last reports from Catalonia are dated the 3d of November, and nothing of importance had occurred.

28th November 1813.

NOTHING of importance has occurred since I addressed your Lordship on the 22d instant.

The situation of our line required that the advanced posts of the light division should be pushed more forward than they were, which was effected on the 23d; but the troops having gone rather more forward than was intended, and having got under the fire of the intrenched camp near Bayonne, it was necessary to withdraw them, in doing which some loss, of which I enclose a return, was incurred, and Captain Hobkirk, of the 43d, was made prisoner.

My last reports from Catalonia are of the 18th, at which period no change had taken place.

Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing of the Army under the Command of His Excellency Field-Marshal the Marquess of Wellington, K. G. on the 23d November 1813.

43d Foot, 1st Batt.—1 lieutenant, 1 serjeant, 15 rank and file, killed; 1 lieutenant, 7 serjeants,

40 rank and file, wounded; 1 captain, 14 rank and file, missing.

95th Foot, 1st Batt.—1 lieutenant, 1 serjeant, 3 rank and file, wounded.

95th Foot, 3d Batt.—1 serjeant, 2 rank and file, wounded.

Total British Loss—1 lieutenant, 1 serjeant, 15 rank and file, killed; 2 lieutenants, 9 serjeants, 45 rank and file, wounded; 1 captain, 14 rank and file, missing.

Total Portuguese Loss—1 rank and file killed.

Name of Officer killed.

43d Foot, 1st Batt.—Lieutenant Mackay Hugh Baillie.

Names of Officers wounded.

43d Foot, 1st Batt.—Lieutenant Alexander Steele, severely.

95th Foot, 1st Batt.—Lieutenant John Sitwell, slightly.

Name of Officer missing.

43d Foot—Captain Samuel Hobkirk, wounded and taken prisoner.

(Signed) E. M. PAKENHAM, Adj. Gen.

Westminster, December 10, 1813.

THIS day, the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Deputy Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorised by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, for declaring His Majesty's Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

An Act for raising the sum of ten millions five hundred thousand pounds by Exchequer Bills for the service of Great Britain for the year 1814.

An Act for charging an equalizing duty on Scotch salt brought to England.

An Act for repealing the duties of Customs on Madder imported into Great Britain, and for granting other duties in lieu thereof, to continue in force until the 5th day of January 1817.

An Act for further continuing until the 25th day of March 1815, certain bounties and drawbacks on the exportation of sugar from Great Britain, and for suspending the countervailing duties and bounties on sugar, when the duties imposed by an Act of the forty-fifth year of His present Majesty shall be suspended.

An Act for punishing mutiny and desertion, and for the better payment of the army and their quarters.

An Act to enable His Majesty to accept the services of the Local Militia out of their Counties,