

*His Majesty's Ship America, off Genoa,*  
SIR, April 18, 1814.

I HAVE the honour to inform you that, in pursuance of my communication of the 31st ultimo, from Leghorn Roads, I sailed from thence on the 7th of April with His Excellency Lieutenant-General Lord William Bentinck on board. After various communications with the troops at Spezia and other parts of the coast, we anchored off Recce, in the Gulf of Genoa, on the 11th. The Honourable Captain Dundas had, with the Edinburgh, Rainbow, and some of the flotilla, during my absence, co-operated with the advance of the army with his usual activity and zeal.

On the 13th, the transports having arrived from Sicily, the troops were immediately landed, and the ships and gun-boats moved on in advance with the army.

On the 17th, every preparation being made for the attack, at daylight the army moved forwards to drive the enemy from their positions, without the town of Genoa. The gun and mortar-vessels, with the ships' boats, armed with carronades, were advanced along the sea line to attack the batteries; the greater part of the marines, under the command of Captain Rea, royal marines, were also embarked in the transports boats, ready to land as occasion might require. As soon as the troops advanced, the whole of the gun-vessels and boats opened their fire with such effect, that on the landing of the seamen and marines, and preparing to storm, the enemy deserted their batteries, and the whole of the sea line without the walls, which were instantly taken possession of, and soon turned on the place; by this means drawing off a considerable portion of the enemy's fire. The arrival of the Calédonia afforded you, Sir, an opportunity of witnessing the remaining operations, and the spirited fire which was kept up at the battery, under the directions of Lieutenants Bazalgette and White, against a very superior one of the enemy, by which, I regret to state, that Lieutenant Bewick, of the Pylades, an officer of much promise, was killed.

My warmest thanks are due to the whole of the Captains, officers, seamen, and marines, which I had the honour to have placed under my orders, for their zealous and active co-operation while under my command. I was particularly indebted to Captain Brace, for his able assistance; he was so good as to direct the advance of the boats and gun-vessels. Captains Dundas and Hamilton had, as usual, been most assiduous in forwarding the operations of the troops; and my thanks are due to Captains Power and Wemyss, for their ready assistance. Captain Flin had volunteered to head a party of seamen, which were landed with scaling ladders, to storm one of the hill-forts, had it been necessary. Captain Thompson, in the Aboukir, who, assisted by the ships and vessels as per margin\*, blockaded the fort, conducted with much effect a false attack to the westward of the town, which drew off a considerable number of the enemy's troops. I have again occasion to notice the good conduct of the Sicilian flotilla, which were well led by Lieutenant Pengally. I beg that I may be permitted to bring to your notice Lieute-

\* Aboukir, Iphigenia, Furieuse, Swallow, Cephalus.

nant Bazalgette, senior of this ship, whose services I have long had reason to appreciate. The active officer, Lieutenant Mapleton, of the Edinburgh, I am sorry to say, has been wounded, while on service with the army. I am indebted to Lieutenant Bailey, principal agent of the transports, for the zeal and ability with which he has conducted the service of that department.

I beg leave to enclose a return of killed and wounded of the ships and vessels of the squadron.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) JOS. ROWLEY.

To Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Pellew,  
Bart. Commander in Chief, &c.

*Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing of Seamen and Marines, employed in an Attack on Genoa, 17th April, 1814.*

AMERICA.

*Wounded.*

Edward M'Dermott, ordinary seaman, dangerously.

Jan Vansemaun, able seaman, badly.

John Cartledge, private marine, slightly.

BERWICK.

*Killed.*

William Mills, able seaman.

*Missing.*

John Campbell, landman, supposed to have fallen from the rocks.

*Wounded.*

John Cook (1), private marine, severely.

PYLADES.

*Killed.*

Mr. John Bewick, Lieutenant:

EDINBURGH.

*Wounded.*

Mr. David Mapleton, Lieutenant.

Gilbert Collier, able seaman.

CURACOA.

*Wounded.*

Patrick Doyle, able seaman.

RAINBOW.

*Wounded.*

John Quail, captain of the foretop, severely.

Total—2 killed, 8 wounded, 1 missing.

(Signed) JOS. ROWLEY, Captain.

N. B. Two wounded in Sicilian gun-boats, not included.

*List of the Enemy's Ships and Vessels of War captured at Genoa, on the Surrender of that Fortress, 18th April 1814.*

Brilliant, of 74 guns, ready for launching.

Courcur brig, of 16 twenty-four-pounders and 2 long nine-pounders.

Renard brig, of 14 twenty-four-pounders and 2 long nine-pounders.

Endymion brig, of 14 twenty-four-pounders and 2 long eight-pounders.

Sphinx brig, of 18 guns, new, equipping.

Unknown, of 74 guns, in frame.

EDWARD PELLEW.