3418	Private P. McDiarmaid
3846	E. Butler
3990	M. Dyer
3307	E. Hurt
3430	J. Purcell
3737	W. Slater
2263	S. Meaden
3786	J. Hitch
3762	J. Rourke
3776	J. Huckle
3280	J. Bryan
3799	T. Denham
3363	P. Edge
3477	T. McDougall
2591	W. Moorman
3667	M. Melaney
3631	A. Payne
2698	W. Fuller
3050	J. Currey
2943	A. Kippen
3580	E. Boreham
1866	D. Donaldson
3423	J. Anderson
3517	C. Bell
3936	J. Breadmore
3403	H. Murphy
1185	A. Sheilds
3405	· W. Stewart

	97TH REGIMENT OF FOOT.
2785	Colour Serjeant James Danger
2072	Serjeant Daniel Shea
2325	Michael Cullum
2555	Thomas Walker
2569	Corporal Thomas Duffy
1369	William Moore
1129	William Wilson
3495	Private John Brown (2)
	William Bungey
3889	Hiram Blunt
3484	Samuel Blackmore
3663	John Clay
1607	George Čook
3543	Daniel Casey
3649	John Donovan (2)
1505	James Donnelly
1765	John Donohue
3353	William Gammon
3441	Maurice Goolden
3863	Robert Hainton
1926	William Hough
3225	Edward Horton
2171	Thomas Johnston
3084	Bartholomew Keefe
2781	Thomas Lee
3099	Robert Little
1925	James Merle
2275	James Marsden
2483	John Murin
1454	Thomas Murphy
2078	Jonathan McCormick
3217	Edward Ramsley
3727	John Russell

3521	Private Stephen G. Robinshaw
3 <del>4</del> 31	James Ratcliffe
3641	Walter Watkins
3464	Michael Waterhouse
3632	Josiah Wilton
3829	Frederick Wilmens

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## Admiralty, September 26, 1855.

DESPATCH, of which the following is a copy, has been received from Rear-Admiral Sir Edmund Lyons, Bart., G.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean and Black Sea.

Royal Albert, off Sevastopol, September 15, 1855. No. 771. SIR,

THE Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty will have been already informed by my letters from Kertch of last June, and by my recent telegraphic messages from hence, that the Rus-sians had annihilated their fleet in this part of the world, leaving the Allies undisputed masters of the Sea of Azof, as well as of the Black Sea; that they had blown up and abandoned their last holds on the coast of Circassia, and that after a gallant defence against an unparalleled siege they had been defeated and obliged to evacuate the south side of the Harbour of Sevastopol, on which are situated the naval and military arsenals, the public buildings, and the town.

2. I have now to request you to acquaint their Lordships that the enemy has not succeeded in his endeavours to destroy all the forts on the south side. Fort Paul, it is true, is literally blown to atoms, and Fort Alexander is very much damaged, but the Quarantine Fort has not suf-fered considerably by the explosion of the magazine, the sea face remaining perfect, and most of the guns being fit for use, few of these being even spiked. At Fort Nicholas the preparations for blowing it up had not been completed, and though the flames have made some havoc in the interior, the stone work appears to be uninjured, and the earth works on the sea-defences remain in a perfect state.

3. The five docks and the adjoining basins are magnificent, and together with the steam machinery for filling them from the Tchernaya and for pumping them out, are in excellent order; and the resources of all kinds still remaining after the enormous expenditure during the siege, showed very plainly the importance the enemy attached to having a large depôt at the threshold of the Bosphorus.

4. The bottom of the splendid harbour is now encumbered with more than 50 sunken vessels, including 18 sail of the line and several frigates and steamers, whose menacing attitude but a short time ago materially contributed to bring

on the war in which we are now engaged. EDMUND LYONS.

(Signed)

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