

## SUPPLEMENT

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War-Department, October 18, 1855.

ORD PANMURE has this day received a Despatch and its Enclosures, of which the following are copies, addressed to his Lordship by General Simpson.

Sevastopol,

My LORD,

October 6, 1855.

MARSHAL PELISSIER having signified to me his wish that the cavalry force under General d'Allonville, at Eupatoria, should be reinforced by some English Cavalry, I at once acceded to his request, and have ordered the brigade of light cavalry, under Brigadier-General Lord George Paget, composed of the Carbineers, 4th and 13th Light Dragoons, and 12th Lancers, and one troop of the Royal Horse Artillery, under Captain Thomas, to be sent for this service.

I am in hopes that transport will be found to

convey them early next week.

I have the honour to transmit to your Lordship the copy of a report I have received from Lieutenant-Colonel Ready, with the details of an expedition undertaken against a fort and buildings on the island of Taman. The object was entirely carried out, and the troops have been enabled to supply themselves with a large amount of firewood and building materials.

Since I last had the honour of addressing you, I have seen Lieutenant-General Vivian, and I am happy to inform your Lordship that he quite approves of the decision I had formed of uniting the Contingent at Kertch. Some few thousand men have already arrived there, and every exertion is being made to ensure them their supplies of food and fuel for the winter.

The corps of General de Salles have, during the past week, pushed forward their advanced posts to the high ground on the left bank of the Belbek, overlooking Foti Sala.

Their supports occupy a ridge from this place, stretching towards the south to Markul.

The main position of the army is on high, bold ground, extending from Aitoda to Markul, with the reserves posted between the village of Urkusta and the Bridge of Tinli.

The corps is further to be reinforced with the view next week of making a strong reconnaissance of the ground from Foti Sala towards Wyenbash, on the left bank of the Katcha.

I have omitted to report that Lieutenant-General Markham has been compelled, by illness, to return to England for a few months. He sailed on the 29th ultimo.

I beg leave to enclose the lists of casualties.

I have, &c.,

JAMES SIMPSON, General Commanding.

The Lord Panmure, &c. &c. &c.

Enclosure 1.

Yenikale, September 27, 1855.

I HAVE the honour to acquaint you, for the information of His Excellency General Simpson, that three companies of the 71st Regiment, under the command of Major Hunter, 71st Regiment, embarked at Kertch on Monday last, the 24th instant, on board Her Majesty's ship Minna, at an early hour in the morning, and proceeded, in company with Her Majesty's gunboats Lynx, Snake, Arrow, and Harpy, together with about nine (9) French gunboats, conveying six companies of French infantry, to the opposite coast, and arrived about eleven o'clock A.M. opposite Taman,