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THE Earl of Clarendon has received a Despatch from Brigadier-General Williams, Her Majesty's Commissioner with the Turkish Army in Asia, of which the following is a copy :

Kars,
September 29, 1855.

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordship that General Muravieff, with the bulk of his army, at day-dawn this morning, attacked our intrenched position on the heights above Kars, and on the opposite side of the river. The battle lasted, without a moment's intermission, for nearly seven hours, when the enemy was driven off in the greatest disorder, with the loss of 2,500 dead, and nearly double that number of wounded, who were, for the most part, carried off by the retreating enemy. Upwards of 4,000 muskets were left on the field.

Your Lordship can, without a description on my part, imagine the determination of the assailants, and the undaunted courage of the troops who defended the position for so many hours.

The Mushir will, doubtlessly, at a future moment, bring before his Government the conduct of those officers who have distinguished

themselves on this day, a day so glorious for the Turkish arms.

On my part, I have great gratification in acquainting your Lordship with the gallant conduct of Lieutenant-Colonel Lake, Major Teesdale, and Captain Thompson, who rendered the most important service in defending the redoubts of Veli Pasha Tabia, Tahmasb Tabia, and Arap Tabia. I beg to recommend these officers to your Lordship's protection.

I also beg to name my Secretary, Mr. Churchill, an Attaché of Her Majesty's Mission in Persia. He directed the fire of a battery throughout the action, and caused the enemy great loss.

I also beg to draw your Lordship's attention to the gallant bearing of Messrs. Zohrab and Rennisson, who, as interpreters to Lieutenant-Colonel Lake and Major Teesdale, rendered very effective service. Dr. Sandwith has been most active and efficient in the management of the ambulances and in the hospital arrangements.

We are now employed in the burial of the dead, and I will have the honour by the next messenger of detailing the movements of this eventful day.

Our loss was about 700 killed and wounded.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) W. F. WILLIAMS.

The Earl of Clarendon, &c., &c., &c.

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