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*Copy of a Letter from the Marquis de Lede written the 20th of June, from the Camp at Franca Villa, to the Count de Montemar at Palermo.*

**I** Have the Honour to acquaint your Excellency, with all the Joy you can imagine, that the Enemy having to Day attacked his Majesty's Army in three different Places, we had the good Fortune to break them, and to repulse them with very considerable Loss on their Side, but we do not yet know the Number. This Victory is owing to the Valour of the Troops, to that of the Generals, and to their Experience. The General Officers among the Wounded, are, the Chevalier de Lede, and Don Juan Caracciolo whose Wound is dangerous. Among the killed is Brigadier Don Pedro de Tanqueux. Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate this News to the Pretor and the Senate, to whom I do not write, not having a Secretary with me; but I will not fail to do it To Morrow. I desire you will order, that in Thanksgiving for the Victory with which God has blessed our Arms, Te Deum be sung. I am, &c.

The Marquis de Lede.

*Copy of two Letters from Count Mercy to Sir George Byng.*

*From the Camp at Franca Villa, June 22.*

S I R,

**I** Have the Honour to inform your Excellency, that Yesterday I took Post above the Enemy's Camp, and am possessed of all the Eminences of it, having beaten them from several; but Night being come on, and I

being dangerously wounded in the Reins, the Ball remaining till in my Body, I have been obliged to leave this Affair to M. de Zumjungen, who on Account of the Difficulties which he and the other Generals equally find, is of Opinion they cannot be attacked all at once without great Loss, and that the surer Way is to endeavour to settle our Communication with the Sea, in order to starve them, which is what they are now preparing to do. I will assist them with my Advice, being unable to act, which is a mortal Affliction to me. We have a great many Officers killed or wounded, as well as the Enemy; but nothing decisive has passed yet. The Enemy are intrenching and securing themselves as well as they can. This is all I am yet able to tell you, except the bad News of your Son's being wounded, who behaved himself with all possible Bravery. I keep him near me, and cause all imaginable Care to be taken of him, having the Honour to be most perfectly, Sir, &c.

The Count de Mercy,

*From the Camp at Franca Villa, June 23.*

S I R,

**I** Have written this Moment to M. de Furstembuft, Collonel Commandant at Melazzo, to send me two Battalions and the Recruits which may have arrived; and as he will want a Convoy, I desire your Excellency to furnish him with a Man of War for that Purpose. I hope you will forthwith send it to him; having the Honour to be, &c.

The Count de Mercy.

*Extra*

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