OFFICIAL PAPERS

REFERRING TO

THE ANNEXED STATEMENT.

COPY OF A DISPATCH

From Brigadier General Doyle to General Hutchinson

Lybian Desert, 17th May, 1801.

" SIR,

"I beg leave to congratulate you upon the Success of the Enterprize which you did me the Honour to entrust to my Charge, and I forward for your Approbation, the Terms upon which the French Commander has surrendered his Force, and the Convoy accompanying it, to my Detachment.

"Agreeably to your Orders, I proceeded into the Desert in pursuit of the Enemy (stated by the Arabs at Two Thousand), with such of the Cavalry as I could find in Camp, amounting to Two Hundred and Fifty Dragoons, leaving Directions with the Infantry of my Brigade to follow with as much celerity as the great Heat and the deep Sand would permit. I pressed forward with the Cavalry as fast as I could without blowing the Horses, and after a pursuit of Four Hours in the Desert, I came up with the Enemy, who had formed a hollow Square, in the centre of which he had placed his Convoy of Five Hundred Camels, his Cannon, and his Colours.

"As we came near, a File-firing commenced by the Enemy, when a Flag of Truce was sent in by that gallant and zealous Officer, Major Wilson, of Hompech's Dragoons (who volunteered his Services upon the Occasion), summoning them to surrender.

"It is impossible to say too much of the Zeal and Perseverance of the Troops, who marched the whole Day in the Desert, without Provisions or Water, preserving their usual Cheerfulness. I cannot express my Obligations to Colonel Abercrombie, for his animated Zeal, and I consider that the Success of the Enterprize was greatly owing to his Activity and Intelligence. Lieutenant Sutton, of the Minorca Regiment (acting as my Aid-de-camp), was extremely useful in encouraging a small Body of Arabs to hang upon the Enemy's flanks, and in restraining their Impetuosity during our Parley.

"I thank you, Sir, for having afforded me the Opportunity of manifesting my Zeal for His Majesty's Service, which is all I have to boast,

" I have the Honour to be,

46 SIR.

"Your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) "J. DOYLE,
"Brigadier General

To the Hon. Major General Hutchinson, &c. &c. &c.

"Return of Prisoners, Stores, &c. taken from the Enemy, by a Detachment of Cavalry under the Command of Brigadier General Doyle.

Cavalry 8 -	Rank and File	Horses	Camels
Artillery 1 - Infantry 19 -		- 0 -	
Total 28	569	200	460

3

"One Four-pounder and a Stand of Colours, taken at the same time.

"One Hundred Horses and Dromedaries (Private Property) not included.

" CAPITULATION.

"Conditions aux quelles les Troupes aux Ordres du Chief de Brigade Cavalier, commandant le Regiment de Dromédaires chargé de l'escort d'un convoi allant au Kaire, se rendent aux Troupes Angloises commandés par le General Doyle.

ARTICLES:

- "1 Les Troupes recevront tous les Honneurs de la Guerre, les Officiers conserveront leurs Armes, et le Soldats ne les deposeront qu'au Quartier-General des Troupes Angloises.
- "2 Les Officiers et les Soldats seront Conduits en France Libres de Meurs Personnes.
- "3 Tous les Effets appartenant aux Officiers, Soldats, et autres Personnes à la Suite de la Colonne, leur seront conservés.
- "4 Il sera permis aux Troupes Françoises d'envoyer au Kaire et au Alexandrie chercher les Effets qui leurs Apartiennent.
- " 5 Les Officiers de santé et employés à la Suite de la Colonne seront Egalement conduits en France.
- "6 Les Chevaux, les Chamaux, et les Effets des Officiers, leur seront conservés.
- "7 Tout ce qui appartient au Gouvernement Françoise sera remis au Commandant Anglois.

"Fait dans la Desert à la hauteur du Village Comnerhirié, le 27 Floreal, An 9 de la Republic Françoise, repondant au 17 Mai, 1801.

" CAVALIER, (Signé) " Chef de Brigade.

" J. DOYLE,

" Brigadier-General.

" Approuvé par le General Commandant en Chef,

"J. H. HUTCHINSON."

OFFICIAL REPORT,

From Brigadier-General Doyle to Major-General Craddock.

"Camp before Alexandria, 17th August, 1801.

" DEAR SIR,

"I HAVE the Honour to enclose you a Return of the killed and wounded of the Brigade under my Command, in the Affair of this Morning.

" As you were a Witness of the gallant Conduct of the Troops, and the several Movements of the Day, it is unnecessary for me to trouble you with any Details, had I even Time to give them.

"Colonel Spencer was so good as to take Charge of that Column of the Brigade destined for the Attack of the Enemy's right Work; and you are too well acquainted with the Character of our gallant Friend to be surprized at his judicious and spirited Conduct during the Day. He speaks in the highest Terms of Lieutenant-General Lockhart, of the 30th Regiment, who, under Colonel Spencer's Direction, charged and repulsed a very superior Body of the Enemy.

"The Captains Hamilton and Gray, of the 30th Regiment, were particularly distinguished for their Exertion.

"I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed)

Major-General Craddock, &c. &c. &c.

" J. DOYLE, " Brigadier-General." 5

" Camp near Alexandria, 18th August, 1801.

"Return of the killed, wounded, and missing, of the 4th Brigade, under the Command of Brigadier-General Doyle, in the Affair of the Green Hills, 17th August, 1801.

	Killed Rank and File				Sub.			Serjts.			Wounded Rank and File				Total			
30th Regiment -	1-	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	22	-	-100	-	28
60th ditto	-	0	2 days	-	-	0	-	-	-	0		. 400	-	1	-	-		1
92d ditto	-	0	-	1-9	-	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
A. I. Fencibles	-	1	-	- 12	-	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	1
		4				1			19	2			47	26			MARCHAEL STATES	53

(Signed) "J. DOYLE, " Brigadier General."

