

THE ARMY.

BRIGADE ORDERS.—SEPT. 18.

The Commander-in-Chief having laid before the King the proceedings of a General Court-Martial, held in Portman-street Barracks, on the 13th and 14th September, 1822, for the trial of Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Gore, of the Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards, who was arraigned upon the undermentioned charge, viz:—

For having on the 2d of August last, at a public-house in Oxford-street, associated with, and joined company with and drank beer with, Corporal Samuel George, of the Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards, such conduct being unbecoming the character of an Officer and a Gentleman, and to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

Upon which Charge the Court came to the following decision:—

The Court having taken into consideration the evidence adduced before them in support of this prosecution, and likewise the evidence received by the Court on the part of Lieutenant-Colonel Gore in his defence against the charge preferred against him, are of opinion:—

That the charge exhibited in this case against Lieutenant-Colonel Gore, is FALSE, WICKED, and SCANDALOUS, and they do most fully and honourably acquit him thereof.

His Majesty was pleased to approve and confirm the finding and sentence of the Court.

By command of his Royal Highness,

(Signed) H. TAYLOR.

ORDERS

INSPECTING OFFICERS EMBARKING FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM FOR A FOREIGN STATION.

Officers, on their arrival at any sea-port, for the purpose of embarking, are immediately to report themselves to the General or other Officer in the command of the troops (of a rank superior to themselves), and to consider themselves under his command until they sail.

They must constantly appear in their proper uniforms during their stay, and must, in every particular, conform to the regulations and discipline of the garrison. This order applies equally to Officers, who, after embarking, may occasionally obtain leave to land from their vessels.

In all cases where officers obtain for themselves the means of proceeding to join their regiments on foreign service, or where they do not embark under the immediate orders of a General, or other Officer by whom regular reports are made, they are required to report to the Adjutant-General, the day on which they embark, and the name of the vessel in which they take their passage. They are to make similar reports to the Officers commanding the depots of their regiments, through the Adjutant-General, in order that they may be correctly accounted for in the Regimental Returns.

APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL (DIRECTED BY ORDERS) OF STAFF OFFICERS.

An Officer shall not be allowed to fill any Staff Appointment (that of Aide-de-Camp excepted), until he has been one year in the service.

A Subaltern Officer shall not be considered eligible to hold the appointment of Aide-de-Camp, until he has been present with his regiment at least one year.

Aides-de-Camp (excepting those attending his Majesty and the Commander-in-Chief) must not be effective Field-officers of Regiments.

The appointments of Assistant Adjutant-General, and Assistant Quarter-Master-General, shall be held exclusively by officers having the rank of Field Officer; the appointments of Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, and Deputy Assistant Quarter-Master-General, shall be held by Officers having the rank of Captain; or by Subaltern Officers, who having been four years in the Army, and having a perfect knowledge of their Regimental Duties, may be specially recommended for such appointments.

An Officer under the rank of Captain is not eligible to hold the situation of Major of Brigade; nor most effective Field Officers of Regiments be employed as Majors of Brigade, or as Fort or Town Majors.

Officers for the Staff of the Army are to be selected exclusively from the Regular Forces, and no Regiment or Battalion shall be required to furnish more than two Captains and two Subalterns for Staff situations.

All appointments of Aide-de-Camp, Brigade-Majors, and other Staff Officers, are to be notified in Orders.

General Officers in command are expected to be extremely circumspect in their recommendation of Officers for Staff appointments of any kind; and are responsible that the Officers, in whose behalf they interest themselves, are, by their previous personal services, as well as by their acquirements and character, qualified to discharge, with advantage to the Service, the duties attached to the station for which they are recommended.

Officers in the command of Regiments or Battalions are responsible that no Officer is permitted to be absent from his regimental duty for the purpose of holding a situation upon the Staff of the Army, until he shall have attained a complete knowledge of his duty as a Regimental Officer.

Officers holding Staff situations in Great Britain or Ireland (those only excepted who are appointed by his Majesty's special authority) shall, on their regiments being ordered on foreign service,

relinquish their situations on the Staff, in order to embark with their regiments.

Officers holding Staff situations in foreign garrisons (those only excepted who are appointed by his Majesty's special authority) shall, on their regiments quitting the station, relinquish their situations on the Staff, in order to accompany their regiments.

Officers serving upon the Staff of the Army at home are not to be removed without the authority of the Commander-in-Chief. Those serving upon the Staff of foreign stations are not to be removed without the previous authority of the General Officers commanding.

MR. BENJAMIN CONSTANT.

This Deputy has addressed the following letter to the Editor of the Constitution:—

Paris, Sept. 14, 1822.—SIR—I have this day read the deposition of M. de Carriere, Sub Prefect of Saumur. The explanations which I am just publishing as to that affair having been completed before that deposition reached me, I have not been able to speak of it. That omission I supply by this letter, which I pray you to insert liberally. I render myself responsible for the facts and the expressions.

M. de Carriere says that I arrived at Saumur in the night. This is a lie. Pray do not change the words; it is the only proper one. I arrived at three o'clock in the afternoon, and M. de Carriere knew it immediately, for at four o'clock the Police were at my door.

He says, that during the night a consultation took place, and that the public tranquillity was threatened. It is a lie. During the night no consultation took place, and no tranquillity was threatened. The letter of the Mayor of Saumur, which is to be published, states the fact. M. de Carriere says that he was supposed to be the author of the letter, who it is presumed would fight me, should not break it in prematurely. Several Magistrates of Saumur, and M. Bodin, Deputy of Maine-et-Loire, will attest these facts.

M. de Carriere says, that I promised to set out early in the morning. This is a lie. When, after having suffered the house where I lived to be surrounded for three hours, hoping that I should go out by a private way, I declared that I would not fly like a rabbit, and I would depart only in full day. M. de Carriere wished it to be thought that the population of Saumur feared to be left in the town. Hence his tolerance to the rioters who threatened his hosts as well as M. de Carriere has spoiled with his lies as well as with mine, to have his satisfaction.

This was reckoned on, for the Quotidienne publishes a narrative of my flight, and of the services M. de Carriere had rendered me. These services were limited to the exposing me, as well as those who had entertained me, to be assassinated. The attempt being at eight o'clock, M. de Carriere arrived at eleven, and when he says that the National Guard resisted authority, it is in fact that the National Guard, not being able to obtain an authority to protect their fellow-citizens and me, came without orders round the house to save our lives.

M. de Carriere says, that I alluded to a reason for not setting out, to the health of my wife. This is a lie. I had declared that I would not set out till near mid-day, and when M. de Carriere returned to press me, he may recollect that the conversation was short and clear.

He concludes by a *Apollie*, so much the less explicable as public notoriety demonstrates its insincerity. He wishes to have it believed that I travelled with a female other than Madam B. Constant, that I made her assume that name. I cannot be in a manner of an imposition so easy to confound, and to throw back on its author.

However, M. de Carriere and his accomplices should insult no man. The excess of meanness is naturally allied to the excess of ferocity. This genus had been lost since 1793.

I set aside the denunciations which do not personally concern me—against the Mayor of Saumur, his relations, the national guard, and the citizens. M. de Carriere bears down on an unfortunate man whose private life all the witnesses had respected. So affect a spirit 'blasts' itself without imposing the labour of doing so on others.

I repeat, I take on myself the responsibility of this letter, and I beg you to accept the assurances, &c. BENJAMIN CONSTANT.

CLOSING OF THE MASONIC LODGES IN RUSSIA.

The following Imperial Decree is extracted from the last Hamburg journals:—

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—The rescript directed by his Majesty on the 13th inst. to the Minister of the Interior, Count Katschberg, respecting the dissolution of all secret societies and Freemasons' lodges is as follows:—

Count Pawlowitch.—The troubles and disorders which have arisen in various other States through the existence of secret societies, some of which, under the name of Freemasons, were at first founded for charitable purposes, and others secretly pursued political objects, have induced some Governments to pay stricter attention to them; and, in the end, wholly to prohibit such secret associations. As I always direct particular attention to the creation of a firm bulwark against everything that may be injurious to the empire, and especially at a time like the present, when, unhappily, so many states offer and examples of the ruinous consequences of the philosophical subtleties now in vogue, I have found it necessary to the general good to command as follows, with respect to the above-mentioned secret societies.

1. All secret societies, under whatever names they exist (as well as the Freemasons' Lodges) shall be closed, and the establishment not to be allowed.

2. All the members of such societies, as soon as they shall be informed of this measure, are to engage in writing to take no part henceforward, under any pretext, in any secret society, under whatever well meaning name it may exist, either in the empire or in foreign countries.

3. As it does not become officers in the public service to bind themselves by any oath but that which the laws determine, the Ministers and Authorities are bound to require from those subordinate to them a frank declaration whether they belong to any Freemasons' Lodge, or other secret society, in or out of the empire, and what that society is.

4. A written engagement is to be taken from the members of them, that they will break off all intercourse with them; and if they refuse to sign such an engagement shall be dismissed from the public service.

5. The Authorities in the Governments are strictly enjoined to take care that no lodges subsist or be created, any where, or under any pretext whatsoever.

6. That all persons employed in the public service engage by their signatures, according to the 2d and 4th sections, not to belong to any secret society, either now or in future. Without having signed such an engagement they cannot be employed in our service.

I am convinced that you will neglect nothing to effect the due execution of my order; and that you will communicate this to the other Ministers, that they may co-operate with you for this purpose. (Signed) ALEXANDER.

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We received last night the Paris Papers of Thursday by express.

The *Constitutionnel*, in commenting on a gloomy account of the affairs of the Greeks in the *Allgemeine Zeitung*, furnishes us with a hope which appears to receive confirmation from various quarters, are not founded in truth. The French Journal, on the authority of letters from the Legation of the 23rd September, states, that an Ionian vessel, Captain Vidali, who left Spetzia on the 18th August, and arrived at Ierapetra on the 1st Sept., brought the confirmation of Wednesday last. The news in question, our readers will recollect, were favourable to the Greeks. The Turks had been twice defeated, and forced to fall back on Corinth. This intelligence, as is well observed by the *Constitutionnel*, is later by several days than any yet furnished by the German Papers. It promises to give in the paper of the succeeding day, the *Bulletin of the Greek victories*. In our present state of uncertainty, we confess we are extremely anxious to see any thing like an official statement from either of the belligerents. This Captain Vidali, who contradicts a piece of intelligence favourable to the Greeks, in the *Allgemeine Zeitung*, the defeat of the Turkish fleet on the 13th of August, to the South of the Morea. It is said that he saw this fleet leave Hydra on the 16th August, so that it could not possibly be to the South of the Morea on the 13th.

But even if the Turks were in complete possession of the Morea, we should not give up the spirit cause as lost. When we call to mind the spirit and enterprise of the Islanders, the extraordinary exertions which they have made in a great part of the Greek population of the Continent (however inferior to that of the Islands in intelligence and civilization), and the mountainous nature of the country, which affords great facilities for guerilla warfare, we cannot suppose the conquest of the Morea to be the termination of the instruction. The Greek nation has entered too generally and too ardently into the struggle, and prosecuted it amidst the greatest difficulties too long, to abandon its object so lightly. As for several of the Islands, we do not believe it will be possible for the Turks ever to regain them.

The *Courier*, we would therefore fain hope, has been somewhat premature in its exultation, on account of the destruction of the Greeks. "The real friends of humanity he tells us will have reason to rejoice." Oh, yes, abundant cause for rejoicing there would be for those who see a relief for the frequent repetition of such scenes as were exhibited at Scio. It must be delicious enjoyment to see the Turks appropriate boys and girls to themselves, after the manner of the pagans, for the gratification of their lust. How human it would be to deprive the gallant Mussulman of the pleasures of this description. How they have to long been in the enjoyment. How they have to long been in the enjoyment. How they have to long been in the enjoyment.

But two reasons are specified why the subjugation of the Greeks should cause us to rejoice. "One is, that the first direct movement made by any Cabinet in Europe to espouse their cause would be the signal for general discord." The other is, that the expulsion of the Turks from Europe "would only be displacing one set of barbarians to make room for another, not perhaps quite so ferocious, but in every respect unfit to assume the station which their advocates would assign them."

With respect to the rival pretensions, we suppose this means that the Members of the Holy Alliance are so benevolently disposed towards the Greeks, that in their rivalry with each other they should do good, they might fall by the ears, they are obliged to do nothing at all. We cannot suppose The *Courier* would so ungenerously as to insinuate that any of the Members of the Holy Alliance could possibly entertain selfish views. He knows they have exerted their word for that. We know that Austria holds Italy, and Russia Poland, with great reluctance.

The second argument, however contemptible, has long been a standing argument against political emancipation in every part of the world. A people are barbarous, and therefore they must remain under a Government to which they owe their barbarism, and which must keep them in their barbarism. But in this particular case, the reasoning is more not, perhaps, quite so ferocious as another set, and therefore the less ferocious set must be placed under the control of the more ferocious set. The value of this kind and generous indulgence is greatly enhanced by the consideration, that these lands were set so recently as March, 1820.

INTERESTING SPECTACLE.

The Public will this day have the gratification of witnessing the launch of a fine new Schooner, of 121 tons, the building of which has just been completed at Mr. White's Ship Yard, at the opposite side of the River. She will go off the stocks at half past eleven.

ment of contumacy against the fugitives accused of having taken part in the plot of Barton and his associates. The different decrees of the Courts were then read (which we have given before) against the following persons:—Grand-marshal, surgeon at Rossica, near Samour; Jean Guichard and Francois Chauvet, of Samour; Victor Chappry, Felix Cousin, Julien Toussaint Olivier Hureau, Louis Moreau, Clouzel Riviere, Edouard Delon, Jean Jacques Riviere, Augustin Monet, Louis Marlos Baudet, and Augustin Maloret.

The Advocate-General prayed for punishment of death against Grand-marshal, Guichard, Moreau, Delon, Chappry, Cousin, Hureau, Riviere, Monet, Riviere, Saunoy, and Delon. The Advocate-General required the sentence of non-revelation to be awarded against Delon, for five years imprisonment, and a fine of 2000 francs; that Baudet and Monet should be condemned for one year to prison, and a fine of 16 francs. He then prayed for an acquittal for Gourin. He then prayed for an acquittal for Gourin. He then prayed for an acquittal for Gourin.

Yesterday the whole of the Foreign Ambassadors and Ministers in town paid visits of congratulation to Mr. Secretary Canning, at his Office, in Downing-street, on his being appointed Secretary of State for the Foreign Department.

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### CAPTURE OF A SMUGGLER.

A fine cutter, of 86 tons register, called the *Irish*, and from Flushing, was brought up here yesterday morning, in charge of part of the crew of the *Richmond* Revenue Cutter, Lieutenant Morris, by which vessel she was taken on Saturday night or Sunday morning off Annetown, Co. Waterford, and taken between the Saltee and Tucker, after a chase of about six hours, during which she suffered so much damage in her rigging from the fire of the *Richmond* as to render her escape impossible. She was also injured slightly in her hull. The number of persons taken (including the supposed Captain, who calls himself Garrett de Porter, and says he is a passenger) was fifteen, the greater part apparently foreigners, who have all been committed to goal, and are to be re-examined this day. Of these, six were found on board the smuggler, and nine in her boat, then about 200 yards distant, in which a keg of gunpowder was also found. A man who said his name was Patrick M'Carthy, from Kinsale, but who was sworn to before the Mayor as a fisherman named Peter Whelan, from the Island of Linn, west of Tralee, was also in the boat; he was yesterday liberated, however, the evidence against him being insufficient to prove, in the positive manner required by the law, that the boat in which he was taken was actually coming from the vessel. Three hundred and twenty-five half-hundred of tobacco, of 600s, each, and seventeen kegs of gunpowder, were found on board, all snugly made up, with a small rope attached to each, for the convenience of carriage. The whole has been lodged in the Custom-house stores. It was at first reported that part of her crew had been killed in the chase, and that she had offered a formidable resistance to the Revenue Cutter; these statements, however, were unfounded—no arms of any description were found on board. She now lies off the lower end of the Parade.

Your Memorialists beg leave further to state, that more than twenty counties in England and Wales are nearer to Waterford than to Dublin; and nine counties in Ireland are nearer to Milford than to Holyhead. The trade with the most important ports in the Bristol Channel, and on the southern coast of England, is of the greatest advantage to the South of Ireland. If the Milford Packet, which is now in the hands of the Government, were discontinued, this trade and communication between those counties will be not essentially injured, and a delay, in most instances, of more than two days, will be incurred in the transmission of a letter through the Post-Office. This delay will necessarily lead to the creation of the postage, by forwarding letters through other channels, and will deprive the South of Ireland of many of its benefits, which might otherwise be derived from its vicinity to some of the most important Commercial Cities in the Empire.

It has been stated to your Memorialists, that a Company has been offered to deliver the Mail in Steam Packets, for the same sum which is now paid to the Contract of the sailing Packets. Your Memorialists are fully convinced of the propriety of leasing all matters of mere commercial arrangement to private competition; but in the present case all competition has been excluded by the present regulations, and it is a matter of regret that the Government should not have sought for the best source of public information.

Your Memorialists will not further trespass on your Lordship's attention, but by expressing their dissent to the numerous benefits, in addition to those which they have attempted to enumerate, which the establishment of Post-Office Steam Packets on the Milford station would necessarily confer on the Southern districts of this United Kingdom.

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