

Our loss, I am sorry to say, has been above 80, of whom 12 killed, 5 officers wounded. I am happy to say, hopes are entertained that Lieutenant Conolly will recover, but his wound is dangerous.

I will have the honour of transmitting to your Lordship a list of officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates, whose conduct attracted special notice. That of the piquets excited general admiration.

To Major-General Pennesfather and Brigadier-General Adams I was, as usual, greatly indebted. Of Lieutenant-Colonel Dacres, Lieutenant-Colonel Fitzmayer, Captains Turner, Yates, Woodham, and Hemlin, and the whole of the Royal Artillery, we are under the greatest obligation.

Lieutenant-Colonel Herbert, A. Q. M. G., rendered the division, as he always does, highly distinguished and energetic services. Lieutenant-Colonel Wilbraham, A. A. G., while serving most actively, I regret to say, had a very severe fall from his horse. I beg leave also to recommend to your Lordship's favourable consideration, the excellent services of Captains Glasbrook and Thompson, of the Quartermaster-General's department, the Brigade-Majors Captains Armstrong and Thackwell, and my personal staff, Captains Allix, Gubbins, and the Hon. W. Boyle.

I have, &c.

DE LACY EVANS.

Lieutenant-General.

To General the Right Hon. Lord Raglan, G.C.B.

&c. &c. &c.

No. 86.

Before Sevastopol,

MY LORD DUKE,

October 28, 1854.

I HAVE nothing particular to report to your Grace respecting the operations of the siege, since I wrote to you on the 23rd instant. The fire has been somewhat less constant, and our casualties have been fewer, though I regret to say that Captain Childers, a very promising officer of the Royal Artillery, was killed on the evening of the 23rd, and I have just heard that Major Dalton of the 49th, of whom Lieutenant-General Sir De Lacy Evans entertained a very high opinion, was killed in the trenches last night.

The enemy moved out of Sevastopol on the 26th with a large force of infantry, cavalry, and artillery, amounting, it is said, to 6000 or 7000 men, and attacked the left of the 2nd Division, commanded by Lieutenant-General Sir De Lacy Evans, who speedily and energetically repulsed them, assisted by one of the batteries of the 1st Division, and some guns of the Light Division, and supported by the brigade of Guards and by several regiments of the 4th Division, and in rear by the French Division commanded by General Bosquet, who was most eager in his desire to give him every aid.

I have the honour to transmit a copy of Sir De Lacy Evans' report, which I am sure your Grace will read with the highest satisfaction, and I beg to recommend the officers whom he particularly mentions to your protection.

Captain Bayly of the 30th, and Captain Atcherley of the same Regiment, and Lieutenant Conolly of the 49th, all of whom are severely wounded, appear to have greatly distinguished themselves.

I cannot speak in too high terms of the manner in which Lieutenant-General Sir De Lacy Evans met this very serious attack. I had not the good fortune to witness it myself, being occupied in front of Balaklava at the time it commenced, and having only reached his position as the affair ceased, but I am certain I speak the sentiments of all who witnessed the operation, in saying that nothing could have been better managed, and that the greatest credit is due to the Lieutenant-General, whose services and conduct I have before had to bring under your Grace's notice.

I inclose the return of the losses the army has sustained since the 22nd.

I have, &c.

RAGLAN.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle,
&c. &c. &c.

*Return of Casualties from 22nd to 26th October,
1854, both days inclusive.*

CAVALRY.

Staff—2 officers killed; 4 officers wounded.

4th Light Dragoons—2 officers, 5 serjeants, 3 drummers, 24 rank and file, 50 horses, killed; 2 officers, 1 serjeant, 21 rank and file, wounded.

8th Hussars—2 officers, 3 serjeants, 23 rank and file, 33 horses, killed; 2 officers, 2 serjeants, 1 drummer, 14 rank and file, wounded.

11th Hussars—2 serjeants, 30 rank and file, 72 horses, killed; 3 officers, 3 serjeants, 20 rank and file, wounded.

13th Light Dragoons—3 officers, 3 serjeants, 1 drummer, 20 rank and file, 76 horses, killed; 2 serjeants, 12 rank and file, wounded.

17th Lancers—3 officers, 1 serjeant, 32 rank and file, 99 horses, killed; 4 officers, 1 serjeant, 2 drummers, 31 rank and file, wounded.

4th Dragoon Guards—1 rank and file, 1 horse, killed; 2 serjeants, 3 rank and file, wounded.

1st Royal Dragoons—2 rank and file, 10 horses, killed; 4 officers, 1 serjeant, 1 drummer, 5 rank and file, wounded.

2nd North British Dragoons—2 rank and file, 14 horses killed; 4 officers, 5 serjeants, 48 rank and file, wounded.

6th Dragoons—2 rank and file, 2 horses, killed; 3 serjeants, 10 rank and file, wounded.

5th Dragoon Guards—2 rank and file, 19 horses, killed; 2 officers, 9 rank and file, wounded.

Royal Artillery—1 officer, 2 serjeants, 4 rank and file, killed; 2 officers, 1 serjeant, 23 rank and file, wounded.

Royal Engineers and Sappers and Miners—3 rank and file, wounded.

Total—13 officers, 16 serjeants, 4 drummers, 142 rank and file, 381 horses, killed; 27 officers, 21 serjeants, 4 drummers, 199 rank and file, wounded.

J. B. BUCKNALL ESTCOURT,
Adjutant-General.