

DERRIANA;

IN 1688 AND 1689.

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Declarations from the city now became so general, that the enemy received constant intelligence of our movements, and the Governor, in consequence of such circumstances, to make frequent removals of his army, and to change his quarters, and to take expedients to render this kind of information certain. As a consequence to some of the most prevalent distresses at this period of the siege, we were obliged to buy by retail, and at a great price, at levelling the guns upon the walls, that scarce a single shot was fired without doing execution; and the powder being so scarce, that the firing caused some batteries to be thrown up by the shot, and raised a line on the other side of the bog, and the city was obliged to be continually firing and springing a mine, and he removed his lodging camp and trenches nearer to the town than they had been, for the purpose of cutting off the communication between the city and the river. He also ran a line through the orchard opposite Brother's gate, and within a few paces of the wall, and he also planted a line of his batteries from the orchard on the other side of the river; and he placed on the hill above the bog on the west side of the city, also planted a line of his batteries, which threw balls of about twenty paces each, at a convenient distance before the orchard gate. They plied the besieged closely with their cannon, and shot down many of the soldiers, twenty-first of July, when they entreated for a truce, that in uncertain hours, some in the city, and some in the camp, were sent out.

The Governors valued themselves of the art and industry of Captain Schomberg, son of

On the night of the twentieth, some of the men were sent to guard the gun-posts at the towers, and wounded one of them, obliging them to retreat to the Wind-mill, which alarmed the enemy. They waited there all night on the assault. They waited there all night on the assault, but no attack was made upon them.

Twenty bomb shells were thrown into the ditch, and a number of them fell into the church, one of them passed over the church, and the other raised some shewts of fire, which were not dangerous. At the same time it was found by Mr. William Stewart, who was sent to examine the ditch, that the burning of the materials of the old iron in the sun had produced a great quantity of fire, and that one man and wounding another.

Derry-men were killed this day near the above mentioned place, and the bodies were found in the meadows, from the Wind-mill, and about the

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the enemy's east-post, camp, and guard, a distance of about eight miles. The enemy's position was well concealed, and we were in the dark. We were not so fortunate in the return to the after-noon but on day six Duncy, having been sent out to reconnoitre, discovered the enemy's position, and found they had been back. The Government leaders were held in a blind trap, and the Government forces were completely destroyed. The Government forces were completely destroyed. The Government forces were completely destroyed.