

tachment of his Majesty's troops, and reduced the Province to the King's obedience.

THAT Sir James Wright the Governor, Mr. Graham the Lieutenant Governor, and the other Civil Officers then in England, were commanded by his Majesty to return to Georgia, and to resume the exercise of their respective offices; which order they readily complied with, and arrived there in July 1779; when many of the Loyal inhabitants returned to the Province, and others submitted to the King's authority, and the legal constitution was restored.

THAT in the month of September following, an attack was made upon the Province by the French General Compte D'Estaing, with a very formidable fleet and army, aided by a considerable body of American troops under General Lincoln, who together laid siege to the town of Savannah; and failing in other respects, after a siege of fifteen days*, attempted to reduce it by storm on the 9th of October, in which they were

* The French landed the 12th of September, about fourteen miles from Savannah, and on the 15th Compte D'Estaing sent a summons; which not being complied with, it took them from that time till the 24th to bring up their artillery, &c. &c. On the 24th, they broke ground, and next day some guns were fired against the town; which was continued till the 3d of October, when, in the night, they began to bombard; and on the 4th, at the firing of the morning gun, a most furious bombardment and cannonade began.

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