

a Foot shorter than the other; for if the two shortest Sides be placed parallel to each other, and next the Front, a Hollow will be thereby formed in the Rampart, so as to make it hold the Parapet Roll fast.

After the upper Ends of the Rampart Rolls are lashed firmly together, a good Quantity of Earth must be thrown up against their Bottoms, to make them stand fast, and then the Parapet Rolls must be rolled up and properly placed, having about twenty Inches Opening between each two Rolls for an Embrasure, and fitting in the Madriers at the same Time to prevent the Enemy's Shot from passing through the Embrasures. The Madriers is so well known as not to need any particular Explanation*.

When all Things are in readiness for laying the Platforms, begin with laying three Inch Planks stretching along the Rampart made of Rolls, whose Ends must butt or meet in different Places upon the Rampart; then lay other Planks, two Inches thick and eighteen Feet long, across those already laid, for the Guns to recoil upon.

Another singular Use of Rolls will be to roll along before Cannon that are advancing to cover or form an Attack; for it is easy to conceive that by the Means of such rolling Breast-Works, any Number of them may be pushed forwards under sufficient Cover as near an Enemy's Fortification as is necessary.

When a Breach is not intended to be made, six or nine Pounders, mounted on travelling Gun Carriages, will be sufficient, with rolling Breast-Works well soaked in Water between each Cannon, and a square

* The Ends of the Rolls which are to form the Parapet, ought to be beveling, in order to make the Embrasure widest on the Side next the Object intended to be battered.