

July. briskly, and with so very visible an Effect on the Fortifications, that the Besiegers had the encouraging Satisfaction to see the *Revêtement*, with a great Quantity of Earth tumbling down after the firing of most of their Shot.

There were three other Batteries from the North-side of the *Barraçoy* Bridge, one of 4, one of 5, and a third of 7 Pieces of Cannon, besides 2 large *Mortars*, kept constantly playing on the West Gate and its Cavalier, where some Guns were dismounted; and at Intervals they were directed to the two remaining Ships in the Harbour, with exceeding good Effect every Way—The Officers of the Besieged have since more than once declared, that they never saw an Artillery *better served* than at this Siege—That there was hardly one of our *Shot*, that did not perform some Execution, and many of them from their judicious Direction did them as much Damage as was possible for any single Shot to do. A Battery was begun on the Left for 4 twenty-four pounders.

Every Night since the near Approach to the Walls, there was a Party of our *Light Infantry* kept without the *Lines* near the Bottom of the *Glacis*, to prevent our working Parties on the Trenches and Batteries from being surprized by any sudden *Sally* of the Besieged.

The Batteries on the Right of the Lines played upon the *Citadel Bastion* with such Effect, that a Breach was very soon expected there. Several of our *Mortars* were served with very great Success—The Town was set on Fire several times by Shells thrown from the Right—some of the very first lighted most of the *Citadel* Buildings and the *new Barracks* into a prodigious Blaze.—Our Men were not a little rejoiced when they saw the *Church-Steep*
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