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"which he uniformly displayed in the course of his "valuable life, will for ever endear the memory of SIR "RALPH ABERCROMBY to the British army. His steady "observance of discipline,—his ever-watchful attention "to the health and wants of his troops,—the persevering "and unconquerable spirit which marked his military "career,—the splendour of his actions in the field,— "and the heroism of his death,—are worthy the imita-"tion of all who desire, like him, a life of honour and a "death of glory."

His remains having been moved to Malta, were conveyed, on the 29th April, 1801, from the chapel of the palace, and deposited, with military honours, in a vault prepared for them in the bastion of St. John, at Fort St. Elmo.

On this occasion the first and second battalions of the 35th, the first and second battalions of the 40th, and the 48th regiment, assisted at the ceremonial, under the command of Colonel M'Alister, of the 35th regiment: part of the troops lined the streets, and part moved in the procession; minute-guns were fired while the body was being conveyed to the fort, and when it had been deposited in the vault, three rounds from the Royal Artillery announced that the hero's interment had been completed.

SIR DAVID DUNDAS, K.C.B.

Appointed 16th May, 1801.

THIS officer commenced his military education at the age of thirteen, in the academy at Woolwich, and afterwards became eminent for his knowledge of the principles of military tactics. At the age of fifteen he assisted in a survey of Scotland; and in 1756 obtained a commission in the fifty-sixth regiment. In 1758 he proceeded with the expedition to the coast of France as an assistant quarter-master-general; and in the following year obtained the command of a troop in a newly-raised regiment

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