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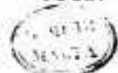
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INTRODUCTION.

At the period that the "Convenio of Vergara" took place, I was serving in the 18th Spanish Infantry, and in consequence of the articles of that treaty, by which the Carlist officers were incorporated into the regiments of Isabella II., it became impossible for any one who acted from principle, to remain under the command of those, who had supported the cause of despotism, and had in many instances been the inhuman and cold-blooded murderers of our friends and companions in arms.

From wounds received I passed the Medical Board as unfit for service in the Infantry, and although, according to the Spanish Articles of War, I was entitled to be passed to a cavalry regiment, yet I declined solely for the above reasons, as I should have been equally under the command of my former antagonists. I therefore retired from the service, with the full intention of proceeding to Tegedempt to join the Emir Abd-el-Kader, whose glorious resistance against the united power of the French nation, inspired me with admiration, at that time only considering him in the light of an Arab chief.

In pursuance of my resolution thus formed, I went to Madrid, and from thence was proceeding to Gibraltar, when the celebrated "Pronunciamiento" of September 1840 took place. I had at this period reached Benamehi in Andalusia, but after having so long defended the cause of liberty, I found this was not the time to desert my colours,

and consequently assisted Colonel Don José Poviano and General Mendez Vigo to the utmost of my abilities, and did not leave them until the present Regent of Spain, the brave Duke of La Vittoria, openly acknowledged the Junta of Madrid.

Continuing my journey I arrived at Algueciras, where I became acquainted with Mr. Mannucci, at that time *chargé d'affaires* to His Royal Highness the Emir Abd-el-Kader, and accepted the appointment of chief of the Emir's staff. On my arrival at the court of the Emir, I soon became so great an admirer of His Royal Highness's liberal policy, that I considered I should render him a far more important service by remaining at the Esmaila, and giving the world at large a correct account of the state of his country, than by being engaged at his side in active service; more especially as, had I acted openly in direct hostility against the French, I should then have become liable to the Act of Council prohibiting British subjects entering into