

all their property; five pieces of artillery and three horses belonging to the three chief commanders were specially named. That all the inhabitants should in like manner be free to move with their families and property whither they would, but those who remained should be safe in their persons, their property and their honour from the insolence of the troops. Thus in a single day the conditions of surrender were discussed, arranged and ratified. The Turks appeared to wish to carry them out quickly and strictly, and sent at once into the harbour about forty vessels, upon which the sick and wounded were first embarked, while the able-bodied soldiers kept their posts on the second line of defence, and allowed the Turks to make no forward movement. But as soon as our men got beyond the trenches, and saw, and were seen by, the enemy's host, it would be difficult to describe the wonder begotten by causes altogether different in one and the other army. Our men were staggered at the prodigious number of the force they saw in the Turkish camp. For over three miles from the city it stretched over a vast circuit, and was everywhere so full of troops that the turbans, which on every side showed white above the trenches, covered the ground like snow-flakes. The Turks, on the other hand, when they saw the defending force so small in numbers, the emaciated bodies and pale faces of our soldiers, who seemed as though they could hardly stand, much less offer so long and gallant a resistance to a foe, marvelled at their courage, and felt some touch of shame. They let natural pity, and the generous workings of true courage, have their way; they began to offer them refreshments, to speak courteously, to praise their steadfastness, and to encourage them to hope for the best.

Meanwhile the Greeks and Albanians were ready to embark with their families, and other detachments of soldiers were already on board other vessels, so that on the fourth of August the city was left free to the Turks. As soon as they entered they began to use all kinds of violence towards the citizens. Bragadino informed Mustafa of this, and complained, and prayed that he would show that he observed the conditions, and respected his plighted faith, by putting some check on the insolence of his soldiery. He begged that more ships might be sent to take the rest of the people, and promised that he would then come himself to bring him the keys of the city. This message was entrusted to Nestore Martinengo, a youth of great spirit, who from the beginning of the war had served in Famagusta under the banner of his uncle Girolamo Martinengo, and had been employed on various duties, always earning high praise for his intelligence and courage. He went to the Pasha, and obtained forthwith an order to the soldiers who had entered the city to abstain from all violence, and a promise that two other vessels should be sent at once into the harbour to embark our soldiers. He was desired to tell Bragadino that Mustafa would be glad to see him: he wished to know in person and face to face a man of whose great worth he had had such proof, and to whose valour he would everywhere warmly testify.

Without further delay, on the evening of the same day, leaving Tiepolo in the city, all the other principal officers, to wit, Bragadino, Baglione, Martiueno and Antonio Quirini, a noble Venetian, accompanied by other captains and a few Greek gentlemen, went out on horseback, attended by forty musketeers on foot. The General Bragadino rode in front of the rest under a red umbrella, dressed in purple with the ordinary robes of his office, and followed by the others named. When they arrived at the pavilion of the Pasha they were received with great ceremony, and, their arms being laid aside, they were introduced into the presence of Mustafa. He conversed with them for some time on various matters, dissembling his inmost thoughts. But at last, trying to find some pretext for giving effect to the savagery which his fierce spirit had conceived, he required some guarantee that the vessels which he sent them would be sent back. Bragadino replied that he was not bound