

*General Statement*¹²

	<i>Whites.</i>			<i>Slaves.</i>		
	Dead	Wounded	Prisoners	Dead	Wounded	Prisoners
Misisipi	15	6	11	7	1	13
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	15	6	57	7	1	13

This information is sent Your Excellency for your guidance. I shall take care to report to Your Excellency any news henceforth, not only of this post but also of all others in the colony.

Our Lord preserve the valuable life of Your Excellency.

Your Excellency, Your most obedient servant kisses Your Excellency's hand.

MARTIN NAVARRO.

NUEVA ORLEANS, August 18, 1780.

His Excellency Senor Don José de Galvez.

[Response to preceding letter, from same source.]

The King has been greatly pleased at the vigorous defense made by Captain Don Fernando de Leiva and Lieutenant Don Francisco Caravona in repulsing the English Captain Esse who intended to surprise them and dislodge them from the post of San Luis de Ylinoeses; and in proof of his sovereign gratitude he has decided to confer upon the first the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and on the second that of Captain, commissions for whom I enclose to Your Lordship that you may arrange to communicate them to the interested parties. His Majesty was unable to look with less grief upon the unhappy lot which those

¹² For the British report of the number of killed and captured, see *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xi, p. 156. Their estimate of casualties largely exceeds that of the Spanish. The prisoners on the Mississippi were probably in part those taken at the lead mines—*Ibid.*, p. 151; also those captured with Gratiot's boat—*Ibid.*, p. 151, note 1; see also Billon, *Annals of St. Louis*, pp. 209-214, and the report of William Brown, captured by the Winnebago Indians, in *Missouri Hist. Colls.*, ii, No. 6, pp. 44-46.—Ed.