

Malta - F. W. S. Bellerophon - 1. Feb^{ry} 1843

"The letter informing me that you knew Col. Shultz, who so gallantly commanded the defence of here, came. I am sorry to say too late to enable me to introduce myself & offer my services to him, which might have been of use. - We had left Syria - but shortly before our departure I saw Col. Shultz at the Hospital Beyrout in a board adjoining an old friend of mine. The Colonel proved a good & gentlemanly of profession - Our Surgeon was the first who attended to his wounds which were numerous & severe - it was at his suggestion that the Col. was sent to Hospital & not hurried on to Constantinople which might have been attended with serious results. I wish I had known earlier that you were acquainted with him, as I might have been of service, - however he is I trust all right now; as he was fast recovering I am happy to say. - It is rather singular that Col. S. was not aware of the sad catastrophe at the principal Magazine till the termina-

time of the Bombardment. It is to me
astonishing that he was not killed, for
the whole place was completely riddled
through.