

for these were empty, and many sallies were made by day and night into the ditch, to spy out the mines and set fire to the fascines and woolpacks. The wonderful energy and toil of Signor Baglione, who looked after all these matters, was never wanting in infinite devices for harassing the foe. He divided the companies between the batteries, adding at each point a company of Albanians, who proved their worth both as horse and foot soldiers.

FIRST ATTACK.

On June 21 they fired the mine under the great tower of the Arsenal, which was in charge of Janpulad bey: it shattered the wall, which was of great thickness, breached it, and brought down more than half of it, splitting also a part of the parapet which had been made to project and face an attack, and straightway a great number of Turks climbed on the ruins and reached the top with their ensigns. Captain Pietro Conte was on guard with his company which was much shaken by the explosion. I and my company were first on the spot, and they were repulsed: and though the enemy brought up fresh troops four or five times they did not attain their aim. Signor Baglione was engaged in person, and the most worshipful Bragadino and the illustrious Querini stood under arms some little distance away to encourage the men: and the illustrious Castellano with the guns of the spur inflicted great losses on the enemy throughout the attack, which lasted for five hours without a break. A great number of the Turks were killed, and we lost in dead and wounded about 100, through an accident to our fireworks which through careless handling burned many of our men. Among the dead were Count Gio. Francesco Goro, Captain Bernardino Ugubio: Signor Hercole Malatesta, Captain Pietro Conte, and other captains and ensigns, were badly wounded by stones. The following night a frigate arrived from Candia, bringing news of sure and certain aid, and spreading general joy and encourage-