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Sommario/riassunto

Robert Batty, wrote a number of books on his battlefield experiences as a young subaltern, in the 1st battalion Grenadier Guards during the Napoleonic wars, notably this volume concerning the period 1813-1814. Even leaving studies in medicine at Ciaus College Cambridge in order to join the British Army. He served through out the campaigns in 1814 and also at Waterloo, achieving the rank of Colonel below leaving the service. An acclaimed artist who was to exhibit his work widely and became a Fellow of the Royal Society, his artistic eye is to the fore in these memoirs. Unlike some of his contemporaries he is honest enough to disclaim the attempt to describe those events that he did not witness, which leads to an uncommon reliability. He describes the siege of San Sebastian, and the advance of the Allied army as it outflanked each successive river position that the courageous French under Marshal Soult attempted to bar the way in excellent detail. The battles of Bayonne and Toulouse are pictured vividly. Author- Colonel Robert Batty [????-1848] of the First, or Grenadier, Guards, F.R.S.; Member of the Imperial Russian Order of St. Anne.