

The arrangements of the Medical Department were excellent, and my thanks are due to Superintending-Surgeon Davidson, and Field-Surgeon Macfarlane.

I enclose a list of killed and wounded.

I have, &c.,

G. C. WHITLOCK, Major-General,
Commanding Saugor Field Division.

No. 34.

Colonel E. Apthorp, Commanding 3d Madras European Regiment, to Major-General Whitlock, Commanding Saugor Division.

Camp, Banda, April 20, 1858.

SIR,

I BEG leave prominently to bring to your notice the gallant conduct of Captain Macintire and his squadron of Hyderabad Cavalry, which formed part of the advanced guard I had the honour to command in the action which took place yesterday morning.

On approaching within six hundred yards of the enemy's position I formed my troops into line, and placed Captain Macintire's Ressallah on the right. After advancing a short distance I found that one or two of the enemy's guns were posted so as to enfilade the infantry as they advanced. I therefore ordered Captain Macintire to charge the guns, which was done in most gallant style. The ground to be got over was most difficult for cavalry, being intersected with deep nullahs filled with the enemy's infantry.

I consider this charge enabled the infantry to reach the enemy, who were at least 6,000 strong, with comparatively trifling loss.

The whole of the guard behaved with the greatest gallantry on this occasion.

I remain, &c.,

E. APTHORP, Colonel,
Commanding 3d Madras European Regiment.

No. 35.

Brigadier W. H. Miller, Commanding Artillery Brigade, Saugor Field Force, to the Assistant Adjutant-General, Saugor Field Division.

Camp, Banda, April 20, 1858.

No. 50.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to forward herewith a Return of Casualties in the Artillery Brigade under my command, at the battle of Banda yesterday.

2. It will be observed that these are providentially very small, a subject both of astonishment and congratulation, considering the length of time we were under fire, and the obstinate resistance of the enemy whilst defending their first position, where their artillery was chiefly brought into play against us, and which was both well and rapidly served, although, fortunately for us, their range was generally short, probably owing to the inferiority of their powder.

3. It is a source of no slight gratification to me to bring particularly to the Major-General's notice the admirable conduct of the whole of the native portion of the artillery, affording, as it did, the most ample proof of their attachment to the service and fidelity to the State. Nothing could be finer than the way in which the native troop of Horse Ar-

tillery, under Major Brice, emulated the cheerfulness, alacrity, and cool courage of their gallant comrades of the European troop under Major Mein.

4. It is not very often, I believe, that opportunities offer for artillerymen of distinguishing themselves in any line other than their own, but some such having presented themselves yesterday, were eagerly laid hold of by officers and men. Major Lavie cut down one gunner, and disarmed another flying from one of the enemy's guns taken; Major Barrow and Lieutenant Hennegan, gallantly supported by Lieutenant Blunt, of Her Majesty's 12th Royal Lancers, with a few of his men, captured another gun; Serjeant-Major Dinwiddie, F. Troop, and Serjeant Alford, D. Troop Horse Artillery (my orderly serjeant), cut down several of the enemy during the action, and the Major-General himself, I believe, witnessed the daring manner in which a gunner of the A. Troop Horse Artillery (Michael Carroll, General No. 4054) went in on a mutineer, who was fighting with the resolution of despair, and had for some time kept several men, both Europeans and Natives, at bay.

5. I cannot help wishing that Captain Palmer's fine Company of the Royal Artillery had had more opportunity of distinguishing themselves, but the effect on the enemy of the fire they did open from the 18-pounders and 8-inch howitzers, was most marked, and did them much credit.

6. The conduct during the action of every officer and man under my orders, merits my unqualified approval and highest admiration; but I would beg leave to bring more prominently to the favourable notice of Major-General Whitlock the names of the following officers, viz.:—Major Lavie, commanding Madras Artillery Division; Major Brice, commanding F. Troop, and Major Mein, commanding A. Troop, Madras Horse Artillery; Captain Palmer, commanding Royal Artillery; Lieutenant Pope, commanding No. 1 Madras Horse Field Battery; Brevet-Captain Holmes, and Lieutenant Hennegan, commanding detachments of their respective troops of Horse Artillery with the advance; Major Barrow, Commissary of Ordnance, and Brevet-Captain Harrison, acting as my Brigade Major for that excellent officer Captain Gostling, unfortunately laid up at present with small-pox.

7. The zeal, kindness, and attention, of the different medical officers of the Brigade, Doctor Macfarlane, Field Surgeon, Assistant-Surgeons Allan and Dunman, of the Madras Horse Artillery, and Assistant-Surgeon Webb, of the Royal Artillery, were most conspicuous, and, as such, well deserve especial mention being made of them.

I have, &c.,

W. H. MILLER, Brigadier,
Commanding Artillery Brigade, Saugor Field Force.

No. 36.

Major T. Oakes, Commanding Cavalry Brigade, Saugor Field Division, to the Assistant Adjutant-General, Saugor and Nerbudda Field Force.

Camp, Banda, April 20, 1858.

No. 7.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to inform you, for the information of the Major-General commanding the division, that the Ressallah and a troop of the 12th Lancers were detached with the advanced guard, the remainder of the Brigade forming the main column, when the enemy's artillery opened fire