

manner meriting the warmest approval of Government, and upheld the character of the British and Native Army of Her Majesty.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) S. J. BROWNE, Lieut.-Gen.,
Commanding the 1st Division, Pesháwar
Field Force.

P.S.—I append a return of casualties and of the ordnance captured.

Return of Casualties in the 1st Division of the Pesháwar Field Force in the Attack and Capture of the Fort of Ali Masjid, 21st November, 1878.

I Battery, C Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery.—1 rank and file killed; 1 trumpeter, 3 rank and file wounded; 1 doolie bearer missing. Total 6.
11 Battery, 9th Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery.—1 sergeant, 4 rank and file wounded. Total 5.
51st King's Own Light Infantry.—1 rank and file killed; 1 rank and file wounded. Total 2.
14th Bengal Native Infantry.—2 sergeants, 6 rank and file killed; 1 British officer, 3 sergeants, 1 drummer, 12 rank and file wounded. Total 25.
20th Bengal Native Infantry.—1 rank and file wounded. Total 1.
27th Bengal Native Infantry.—2 officers, 3 rank and file, 1 bheestie, killed; 1 sergeant, 5 rank and file wounded. Total 12.
1st Sikh Infantry.—1 rank and file missing. Total 1.
Total.—16 killed; 34 wounded; 2 missing. Total 52.

Killed.

Major H. H. Birch, Bengal Staff Corps, Officiating Commandant, 27th Native Infantry.
Lieutenant T. O. FitzGerald, Bengal Staff Corps, Quartermaster, 27th Native Infantry.

Wounded.

Captain J. G. Maclean, General List Infantry Wing Commander, 11th Native Infantry, severely.

List of Ordnance captured in Ali Masjid and its Positions on the 21st November, 1878.

Right Position.—2 brass and 4 iron mountain 7-pr.; 1 gun and carriage totally destroyed.
Right Centre Position.—2 brass mountain 7-pr.

The Knoll.—Ali Masjid.

Top Battery.—5 brass field ordnance 6-pr.; 1 brass 5½-in. howitzer; 2 iron mountain 7-pr.; 1 ammunition wagon, one wheel destroyed.
Half-way Battery.—2 brass field ordnance 6-pr.; 1 ammunition wagon.
Foot Battery.—1 brass field ordnance 9-pr.
Left Centre Position.—2 brass field ordnance 6-pr.; 1 brass 5½-in. howitzer; 1 ammunition wagon.
Left Position.—1 brass 7-pr. mountain. I have since heard that a gun has been discovered in a cave on the extreme left of the position.
Total.—1 9-pr. and 9 6-pr. brass field ordnance; 2 5½-in. brass howitzers; 5 brass and 6 iron mountain 7-pr.; 3 ammunition wagons, all well supplied with ammunition.

These are, to the best of my belief, the correct numbers and calibres of the several pieces of ordnance in their several positions. I had no means of weighing the shells, &c.

(Signed) S. J. BROWNE, Lieut.-General,
Commanding 1st Division Pesháwar
Field Force.

Ali Masjid, the 22nd November, 1878.

*Education Department, Whitehall,
January 24, 1879.*

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued orders this day for the formation of School Boards in the under-mentioned Parishes:—

Little Dunmow ...	Essex
North Kyme ...	Lincoln
Stirchley ...	Salop

*Education Department, Whitehall,
January 24, 1879.*

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued orders this day for the compulsory formation of School Boards in the undermentioned Parish:—

Lydd ...	Kent
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and in the undermentioned United District:—

North-East Holland Fen (comprising the parishes of Brothertoft, Coningsby (two detached parts), Ferry Corner Plots, Fosdyke detached, Harts Grounds, North Forty Foot Bank, Pelham's Lands, and Swineshead detached) ... Lincoln

(S. & C. 162.)

*Board of Trade, 1, Whitehall,
January 27, 1879.*

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Despatches from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, reporting that the export of cereals from the Sandjak of Cazai Arbaa, of wheat from the Sandjak of Jerusalem, and of grain from Bussorah has been prohibited; also that barley is comprised in the cereals prohibited to be exported from Constantinople.

Admiralty, 24th January, 1879.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Lieutenant Francis Pringle Taylor has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 21st instant.

Admiralty, 27th January, 1879.

Acting Staff Commander Henry James Stanley, having on his return to England passed the necessary examination in pilotage, has been confirmed as Staff Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 15th May, 1873.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
28th January, 1879.*

1st Life Guards, Sub-Lieutenant Reginald Brooke to be Lieutenant. Dated 5th June, 1878.

13th Hussars, Captain and Brevet Major George Croft Huddleston retires on a pension. Dated 29th January, 1879.

Scots Guards, Lieutenant the Honourable North de Coigny Dalrymple to be Adjutant, vice Lieutenant and Captain F. L. Campbell, who resigns that appointment. Dated 1st January, 1879.