

and second, the upper portion of the parapet which screens the defenders, must be destroyed by firing shot or shell against it with low charges. Hand grenades, two or three scaling ladders, with half a dozen shovels (fowrahs) and pickaxes, with perhaps a small number of sand bags, should in all cases, accompany the attacking party.

I have, &c.,  
R. H. SANKEY, Lieutenant,  
Madras Engineers, on Special Duty.

No. 10.

Lieutenant-Colonel Christie to Brigadier Carthew,  
Commanding Futtypore District.

SIR, Dhana, March 5, 1858.

I HAVE the honour to report that the moveable column under my command (consisting of detachments of corps as per margin,)\* arrived at the village of Dhana at 8 o'clock this morning.

2. On my arrival I heard that the enemy was posted in force on the opposite bank of the Jumna, at the village of Serowlee, whence they had been firing on the village of Dhana since daylight.

3. On reconnoitring their position I found that the heights and ravines leading from the town were strongly lined with skirmishers, parties of whom were also posted in villages on their flanks. A number of boats lay in the river immediately under the town.

4. I advanced the guns under a strong escort, and extended two companies of the 80th Regiment, under Brevet-Major Miller, to skirmish to our right and centre, a company of the 17th Madras Native Infantry, skirmishing to our left; these were supported by two companies of the 17th Madras Native Infantry, under Brevet-Major Gill, of that regiment; my reserve, under Captain the Honourable J. H. Browne, 80th Regiment, I left close to the village of Dhana.

5. On reaching the river's bank the skirmishers opened fire, and the guns, under Captain and Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Cadell, Madras Artillery, getting into position, shelled the town of Serowlee with considerable effect, setting fire to part of it.

6. The enemy opened with a heavy fire of gingalls and musketry, which, however, the long range of the rifles of the 80th Regiment soon checked, though they continued a dropping fire during the rest of the morning.

7. Not being able to procure boats to effect the passage of the river, I withdrew to my position at Dhana, at 10 A.M.

8. From information gathered, I reckon the enemy's force at about 1000 men, including a party of cavalry, which were distinctly seen riding off at speed. I am unable to form an estimate of their loss; but it must have been heavy; on our side I have to report the loss of

- 1 Sepoy, 17th Madras Native Infantry, killed.
- 1 Private, 80th Regiment, wounded.
- 2 Gunners, Madras Artillery, contused by spent balls.

In conclusion, I beg to report most favourably the conduct of the troops under my command.

I have, &c.,  
J. T. CHRISTIE, Lieutenant-Colonel,  
Commanding Moveable Column.

\* Artillery, Madras, 1 12-pounder howitzer, 1 6-pounder gun. Cavalry, 8th Irregulars, 70. Infantry, Her Majesty's 80th Regiment, 244; 17th Madras Native Infantry, 257.

No. 11

Nominal Return of Killed and Wounded of Moveable Column, under Command of Lieutenant-Colonel Christie.

- 1785 Sepoy Chunia Samy, 17th Madras Native Infantry, killed.
- 3207 Private James Hickey, 80th Regiment, wounded severely
- 1208 Private Peddiah, C Company, 5th Brigade, Madras Artillery, slightly contused by spent ball.
- 1708 Driver Vembly, C Company, 5th Brigade, Madras Artillery, slightly contused by spent ball.

I have, &c.,  
J. T. CHRISTIE, Lieutenant-Colonel,  
Commanding Moveable Column.

No. 12.

NOTIFICATION BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF INDIA.

Allahabad, Foreign Department,  
March 20, 1858.

No. 349.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General has been pleased to direct that the following letter from Brigadier-General G. H. Macgregor, C.B., with its several inclosures, reporting an engagement on the 5th instant, between the advanced division of Maharajah Jung Bahadoor's Army, under General Khurruk Bahadoor and the rebel Nazim Mehndee Hoossein at the Kandoo Nuddee, be published for general information.

His Lordship has pleasure in acknowledging the distinguished gallantry exhibited on this occasion by General Kurruk Bahadoor and the native officers and men of the Nepalese Force, and by Captain A. C. Plowden and the other British officers attached thereto, and in tendering his thanks to the various officers, both Nepalese and British, noticed in the report of Brigadier-General Macgregor, and also to the men composing the force, for their valuable services.

By order of the Right Honourable the Governor-General.

G. F. EDMONSTONE,  
Secretary to the Government of India,  
with the Governor-General.

No. 13.

Brigadier-General G. H. Macgregor, C.B., Military Commissioner, to the Secretary to Government with the Governor-General, Foreign Department, Allahabad.

Camp, before Lucknow, March 12, 1858.

SIR, No. 114.

IN forwarding, for the information of the Right Honourable the Governor-General, the report of Captain Plowden, the British officer in military charge of the advanced division of Maharajah Jung Bahadoor's army, under General Kurruk Bahadoor, of an action which took place on the 5th instant, at the Kandoo Nuddee, between the division and the rebel Nazim Mehndee Hoossein, resulting in the capture of the enemy's only gun, and the loss to him of nearly 600 killed, with casualties to the extent only of 1 killed and 16 wounded on our part, I have the honour to bring to the notice of his Lordship in Council the