

breach the Wall near that Gate, or at all Events to draw the Enemy's Attention to that Quarter. Unfortunately the Iron Guns could not be moved into the Battery, notwithstanding the utmost Exertions of the Troops, and the Fire of the Brass Guns produced but little Effect.

The Fire of all these Batteries opened on the 13th in the Morning, and on the 14th at Night, the Breaches in the Walls of the Outer Fort were practicable: All the Arrangements were made for storming on this Day, Lieutenant-Colonel Kenny, of the 11th Regiment, commanded the Party for the Storm, consisting of the Flank Companies of the 94th Regiment, and of the Native Corps in Colonel Stevenson's Division, supported by the 94th Regiment, and Lieutenant-Colonel Haliburton's Brigade, with Lieutenant-Colonel Maclean's Brigade in a Reserve. At the same Hour I made Two Attacks from the Southward to draw the Enemy's Attention to this Quarter, one under Lieutenant-Colonel Wallace, consisting of the 74th Regiment, Five Companies of the 78th, and the 1st Battalion of the 8th Regiment on the Southern Gate, and one under Lieutenant-Colonel Chalmers, consisting of Five Companies of the 78th, and the 1st Battalion of the 10th Regiment on the North-West Gate. These last Attacks could be of no Service excepting to draw the Enemy's Attention from that from the North, unless they should succeed in blowing open the Gates, till they should communicate with Detachments from Colonel Stevenson's Corps, as they had no other Means of entering this Fort.

All the Troops advanced about Ten in the Morning. The Detachment under Lieutenant-Colonel Chalmers arrived at the N. W. Gate at the Moment that the Enemy were endeavouring to escape through it from the Detachment of Colonel Stevenson's Corps, which had been sent to communicate with Colonel Chalmers; and he entered without Difficulty.

The Wall in the Inner Fort, in which no Breach had been made, was then to be carried; after some Attempts upon the Gate of Communication between the Inner and Outward Fort, a Place was found at which it was possible to escalade the Wall. Captain Campbell, with the Light Infantry of the 94th Regiment, fixed the Ladders against this Place, escaladed the Wall, opened the Gates for the storming Party, and the Fort was shortly in our Possession.

The Enemy's Garrison was numerous; it consisted of Rajah Poot's and of a great Part of Bury Sing's regular Infantry, which had escaped from the Battle of Argaum, commanded by Bury Sing himself; they were all armed with Company's new Muffets and Bayonets; vast Numbers were killed; particularly at the different Gates.

This Service has been performed, I hope, with small Loss on our Side; no Officer has been killed, and none wounded, that I have heard of, excepting Lieutenant-Colonel Kenny, of the 11th Regiment, and Lieutenant Young, of the 2d Battalion of the 7th.

In the Performance of this Service all the good Qualities of British Troops have been conspicuous to a Degree which I have seldom witnessed. In bringing on their Ordnance and Stores to the Point of Attack, the Troops of Colonel Stevenson's Di-

vision performed the most laborious Work with a Zeal for the Service, and Patience and Perseverance never surpassed; and, when opposed to the Enemy, their Conduct shewed the same gallant Spirit that has carried the British Troops through so many Difficulties in the Course of this War.

I am particularly indebted to Colonel Stevenson for the Manner in which he conducted the Service entrusted to him, from the Moment of his March from Elichpoor to that of the Capture of Gauilghur; to Lieutenant Colonel Kenny for the Manner in which he led on the storming Party; to Captain Campbell, and the Light Infantry of the 94th Regiment, for the Escalade of the Inner Fort; to Major Campbell and the 94th Regiment, and to Lieutenant-Colonel Haliburton and his Brigade, which Troops supported the Attack; Captain Barke, who commanded the Artillery, with the subsidiary Force, and Captain Heitland, of the Pioneers, and Captain Johnson, of the Bombay Engineers, are also entitled to my Acknowledgments. These Two latter were sent from my Division to assist Colonel Stevenson. Upon the Occasion of mentioning the Name of Captain Johnson, I cannot omit to inform your Excellency, that throughout this Campaign that Officer has performed the most important Service in the Department of the Guides entrusted to his Charge; and I have no Doubt but that his Surveys will be a valuable public Acquisition.

Although the most laborious and most brilliant Part of this Service did not fall to the Lot of the Troops of my Division, I have to apprise your Excellency that they performed that Part allotted to them in a Manner perfectly satisfactory to me; and Lieutenant Colonel Wallace, and Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers, and Captain Beommon, commanding the Artillery, have received my Thanks for the Manner in which the Two former led their Divisions to the Attack, and the latter exerted himself to forward the Service of his Department.

I shall hereafter have the Honor of transmitting to your Excellency Lists of the Killed and Wounded, and Returns of the Ordnance and Property captured in the Fort.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) ARTHUR WELLESLEY.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) J. A. GRANT, Sec. to Gov.

MY LORD, *Camp at Elichpoor, Dec. 18, 1803.*

I HAVE the Honor to enclose a Return of the Killed and Wounded at the Siege and in the Storm of Gauilghur. Lieutenant Young died after I addressed your Excellency on the 15th.

I have likewise the Honor to enclose a Return of the Ordnance, &c. captured in Gauilghur. The Quantity of Property captured has not yet been ascertained, but I imagine that there will not be much.

After I had addressed your Excellency on the 15th Instant I received from Colonel Stevenson a detailed Report of the Proceedings of the Division under his Command in the Storm of the Fort, from which I observe that Lieutenant-Colonel Lang and Lieutenant-Colonel Dessé had Opportunities of distinguishing themselves, of which they availed themselves. In the Course of the Campaign I have more than once had Occasion to observe the Zeal of these Officers in the Service, and their Exertions to forward it; they have received my Thanks for their