

To C. W. Gardiner, Esq. Secretary to Government,
Military Department.

SIR,

I AM directed by the Commander of the Forces to request you will lay before His Excellency the Honourable the Vice President in Council, the accompanying Copies of a dispatch from Major P. Bradshaw, commanding on the frontier of Sarun and Tirhoot, detailing the progress and successful result of an attack made by the detachment under his command on the enemy's post of Burhurwa, on the morning of the 25th ultimo, and which in its immediate consequence appears to have led to the complete possession of the Teraice, and the subjection of its inhabitants to the authority of the British Government.

On this gratifying occasion the Commander of the Forces anticipates the cordial concurrence of the Honourable the Vice President in Council in those sentiments of approbation with which His Excellency regards the conduct of Major Bradshaw in the direction of the present enterprise, which appears to His Excellency to have been planned with a degree of judgment and ability no less creditable to the professional talents of that officer, than the steadiness and gallantry subsequently displayed in the execution of his orders were honourable to the officers and troops under his command.

I have the honour to be, &c.

J. GORDON, Deputy Adj.-Gen.

Adjutant-General's Office, Presidency of
Fort William, December 6, 1814.

To Major Gordon, Deputy Adjutant-General.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to forward to you, for the information of His Excellency the Commander of the Forces, a copy of a Letter, which I addressed to the Adjutant-General on the 25th instant, announcing the surprise of the Nipaulese post of Burhurwa, by the detachment of Ghorashun, under my direction. The distance between these places is 6 coss.

2. A dispatch from Captain Hay, just received, reports the capture on the same day by that officer, of the Post of Baragurhee, which the enemy evacuated on preparations being made to assault it.

3. No Nipaulese force is now in the Teraice of Chumpatun; and the military occupation of it being completed, I have proclaimed its subjection, and called upon the inhabitants to manifest their allegiance to the British power. Every symptom of a willing obedience to this notification appears in the surrounding villages, and the principal persons are coming in to give the necessary security for entitling them to trust and protection.

4. Lists of the killed and wounded on the part of the detachment, and on that of the enemy, subsequently corrected, are herewith inclosed.

(Signed) P. BRADSHAW, Major,
Commanding on the frontier
of Sarun and Tirhoot.

Camp, near Burhurwa, Nov. 27, 1814.

(True copy.)

J. GORDON, Dep. Adj. Gen.

To Lieutenant Colonel Fagan, Adjutant-General,
Head-Quarters.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to report to you, for the information of the Right Honourable the Commander in Chief, that the troops upon the boundary, under my orders, moved forward at twelve

o'clock last night to occupy the Nipaulese Teraice on this frontier, along the advance line, prescribed in your instructions. No account has yet reached me of the operation of Captain Hay's division. But I lose no time in apprising you that the result of the movement of the detachment, under Captain Sibley, was every way successful. An attack was made by it on the post of Burhurwa, in three divisions of ninety Sepoys each, led respectively by Captain Sibley, Lieutenant Boileau, and Lieutenant Thompson; and the Rissalah of irregular horse, under Cornet Hearsay, formed into two parties, covered the flanks. Pairsaram Thapa, the Nipaulese Subah of the Teraice, he who occupied this position with about four hundred men, was completely surprised: he himself was killed; one of his chief Sirdars severely wounded, was found among the slain, which is stated to amount to about fifty-one mountaineer soldiers. The exact number of the wounded is not yet ascertained, nor can it be immediately estimated what number of the enemy were drowned on being driven into the river Bagmuttee. The route of the fugitives cut off by the north, was directed for refuge to the south in Kurrubunna Garhee; but being pursued to that place, three miles from the siege of attack, it was evacuated, and they were chased across the Bagbuttee, where those who escaped being drowned or sabred, threw down their arms, and begged for quarter: among this number is the late commander of the Gurhee. Two standards of the enemy have been taken in the attack. I have the honour to transmit a return of the casualties of the detachment. Lieutenant Boileau, commanding my escort, is the only European Officer wounded. He received a deep sabre cut in a personal contest with the Nipaulese Subdah, whom he slew, and whose death hastened the success of the general attack; being myself an eye witness of the conduct of the officers and men on this occasion, and having every reason to be pleased and satisfied with the execution of their service, I beg leave to present, for the favourable notice of the Right Honourable the Commander in Chief, the testimony which I can thus bear to the zeal, courage and effort, which distinguished the exertions of the leaders of divisions, and of the Rissalah of irregular horse, and of the other officers and men, in the progress of this alert. The Subadar, whose death in the service of Government has occurred, was an officer of bravery, experience and merit. He has left a wife and two sons, whom I trust to be indulged with permission to recommend to His Excellency's consideration.

I have, &c.

(Signed) P. BRADSHAW, Major, Commanding on the frontier of Sarun and Tirhoot.

Camp near Burhurwa, Nov. 25, 1814.

(A true copy.)

J. GORDON, Deputy Adj. Gen.

Return of the Killed and Wounded on the Attack in the Nipaulese Post in Burhurwa, under Major Bradshaw, on the Morning of the 25th instant.

Killed:

1 subadar, 1 havildar, 2 horse's.

Wounded:

1 lieutenant, 1 havildar, 5 sepoy's, 14 troopers, 7

horses. Lieutenant Boileau, in command of Major Bradshaw's escort, wounded.