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A DISPATCH has been received at the East India-House from the Governor-General in Council at Fort William, in Bengal, dated 31st January 1825, with an inclosure, of which the following is a copy:

Copy of a Letter from Brigadier-General Sir Archibald Campbell, K. C. B. to George Swinton, Esq. Secretary to the Bengal Government, dated Headquarters, Rangoon, 14th January 1825.

SIR,

SOME peasants that have come in, state Bundoolah's late army as still dispersing, and himself, with only a few thousand men, at Donabue; but using every exertion in his power, not only to stop the fugitives, but issuing orders for fresh levies, said to be little attended to.

When the Burmese grand army were here, they uncovered some of the walls of the old Portuguese fort and factory at Syriam, and, by throwing up parapets, &c. rendered it a tolerably strong post, which had since continued to be occupied by a small force of the natives of the Syriam district; and I have reason to think they had been joined by some of the men who deserted from their chiefs, when ordered to go and retake Martaban. Although this post did not offer us any annoyance whatever, yet I did not wish to leave it occupied, from the facility its contiguity to the river afforded of being troublesome to our boats, on the breaking up of the British army from Rangoon; I therefore, on the morning of the 11th instant, detached a small force against it, consisting of two hundred men from His Majesty's 47th regiment, with a detachment of seamen and marines from the Royal Navy and the Honourable Company's flotilla, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Eltrington, with orders to scour that part of the country, as far as

Syriam Pagoda, of any enemy to be met with. The Lieutenant-Colonel in the course of a few hours came before the fort, and the bridge over the nullah leading to it from the landing-place having been broken down, much labour and some delay was occasioned in repairing it, during which the enemy, from behind the works, kept up a smart and well directed fire on the head of the column, which caused some loss; but no sooner were the troops able to cross, than they rushed on, and gallantly carried the place by storm. The Lieutenant-Colonel afterwards went on to the Syriam Pagoda, also found to be occupied by a small force of the enemy, who fled after the discharge of one volley, and seeing the British troops rush on to the assault.

Lieutenant-Colonel Eltrington speaks in the highest terms of the gallant and good conduct of every individual composing his little detachment, and the Lieutenant-Colonel himself merits my best thanks for the performance of this duty.

To prevent the enemy from again finding security in those posts, the chief Engineer is now employed in blowing them up.

Herewith I beg to enclose a return of killed and wounded, and also of the ordnance captured on this occasion.

I have, &c.

A. CAMPBELL, Brig. Gen.

General Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing of a Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant-Colonel R. G. Eltrington, in the Attack on the Factory and Stockades of Syriam, on the 11th and 12th January 1825.

Rangoon, 14th January 1825.

His Majesty's 47th Regiment—1 ensign, 1 rank and file, killed; 2 captains, 1 serjeant, 15 rank and file, wounded.