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**A** DISPATCH has been received at the East India-House from Mr. Chamier, Chief Secretary to the Governor in Council at Madras, dated 19th April last, of which, and of its enclosures, the following are copies:

*To Peter Auber Esq. Secretary at the East India-House.*

SIR,

I AM directed by the Governor in Council to transmit to you, for the information of the Honourable the Court of Directors, the accompanying two copies\* of this day's Gazette, containing copies of dispatches relative to the military operations in Coorg, with copy of a letter† just received from the Adjutant-General of the army, forwarding, with reference to his letter of the 15th instant, published in the Gazette now sent, Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart's report of the operations of his column.

I have the honour to be, &c,

HY. CHAMIER, Chief Secretary.

Fort St. George, April 19, 1834.

*To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George.*

SIR,

1. IN continuation of my letters of the 7th, 8th, 9th, and 12th instant, the Commander in Chief has directed me to request you will submit to the Right Honourable the Governor in Council the accompany-

\* No. 2 in the packet.

† 16th April 1834, No. 3 in the packet.

ing copies of further despatches, as per margin,\* from Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. commanding the Coorg Field Force; no report has yet been received of the operations of Lieutenant-Colonel G. M. Stuart's column, but, private accounts describe its exertions and successes as highly satisfactory and creditable to its commanders.

2. Referring to my letter of the 7th instant, I have the honour, by his Excellency's orders, to express his entire satisfaction and approbation of the gallantry, perseverance and zeal of the troops composing the columns under the personal command of Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. and of Colonel Foulis: the judgment displayed by those Officers in conducting their respective services, and surmounting the formidable obstacles to which their exertions were opposed, reflects great credit on them and the Officers and soldiers under their respective commands.

3. The Commander in Chief has not yet the means of forming his judgment of the causes which led to the disastrous disappointments of the northern and western auxiliary columns, but his Excellency trusts he will soon be enabled satisfactorily to explain the reasons of failure, and to place the services of their leaders in the same conspicuous degree of claim to the approbation of Government as the other distinguished leaders.

4. The Commander in Chief requests the orders of Government for the disposal of the ordnance, ammunition, and small arms captured from the enemy.

5. The Commander in Chief fully concurs in the sentiments Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. has expressed,

\* 9th April, 9th April, 9th April, 10th April, 10th April, 10th April, 11th April, 11th April, 11th April.

of the valuable services and meritorious exertions of his Staff, Departments, and Officers commanding corps, and also with Colonel Foulis' commendations of the Officers and troops of his column; the general gallantry, perseverance, and spirited exertions of all the Officers and troops employed upon this service is a pleasing subject of congratulation, and the Commander in Chief feels assured, will be duly appreciated and noticed by the Governor-General and the Right Honourable the Governor in Council.

6. In conclusion the Commander in Chief deems it to be his particular duty to bring to the notice of Government the judgment, decision, and energy with which Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. has conducted this important service to so early and satisfactory close; and, considering the period of the year, the difficulties of the country, and the advantages the enemy possessed in its defence, the experience and talents of the Brigadier have been judiciously and usefully directed to the advantage of the public service.

7. A general return of killed, wounded, and missing from the commencement of hostilities to the present time, except that from Lieutenant-Colonel Stewart's column, is annexed.

I have the honour to be, &c.

T. H. S. CONWAY,

Adjutant-General of the Army.

Head-Quarters, Adjutant-General's Office,  
Camp Bangalore, April 15, 1834.

*General Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing of the several Columns of the Coorg Field Force, between the 2d and 7th of April 1834.*

*Eastern Column.*

H. M. 39th Foot—1 private wounded.  
4th Regt. N. I.—1 drummer, fife, or bugler, 1 private, wounded.  
Sappers and Miners—1 private, native, wounded.

*Northern Column.*

Artillery—2 privates, Europeans, wounded.  
H. M. 55th Foot—1 lieutenant-colonel, 3 serjeants, 1 corporal, 1 drummer, 23 privates, killed; 1 captain, 2 lieutenants, 1 adjutant, 4 serjeants, 3 corporals, 1 drummer, 60 privates, wounded.  
Sappers and Miners—1 private, European, 1 havildar, 4 privates, natives, killed; 11 privates, natives, wounded.  
Rifle Company—1 private killed; 1 private wounded.  
9th Regt. N. I.—1 ensign, killed; 1 store serjeant, 1 naigue, 1 drummer, fife, or bugler, 4 privates, wounded; 1 private missing.  
31st Light Infantry—1 ensign, 1 jemadar, 1 naigue, 8 privates, killed; 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 1 subadar, 1 havildar, 1 naigue, 20 privates, wounded.

*Officers killed and wounded.*

*Killed.*

H. M. 55th Foot—Lieutenant-Colonel Mill.  
9th Regt. N. I.—Ensign Robertson.  
31st Regt. L. I.—Ensign Babington.

*Wounded.*

H. M. 55th Foot—Captain Warren, Lieutenants Robertson and Brooke, slightly; Lieutenant and Adjutant Heriot, severely.

31st Regt. L. I.—Captain Hutchinson, slightly; Lieutenant Martin, severely.

N. B. One man of H. M. 55th Foot, reported killed, since rejoined, badly wounded.

*Western Column.*

Staff—1 captain wounded.

H. M. 48th Foot—1 lieutenant, 4 privates, Europeans, 1 dresser, native, killed; 1 lieutenant, 1 serjeant, 1 corporal, 14 privates, wounded.

Artillery—1 serjeant, 1 corporal, 1 private, Europeans, wounded.

20th Regt. N. I.—2 privates killed; 2 privates wounded.

32d Regt. N. I.—3 privates killed; 8 privates wounded.

Sappers and Miners—1 private, native, killed; 5 privates, natives, wounded.

*Officers killed and wounded.*

*Killed.*

H. M. 48th Foot—Lieutenant Erskine.

*Wounded.*

Captain Butterworth, Assistant-Quartermaster-General.

H. M. 48th Foot—Lieutenant Gibbs.

*Western Auxiliary Column.*

Detachment H. M. 48th Foot—1 serjeant, 8 privates, killed; 1 lieutenant, 6 privates, wounded.

40th Regt. N. I.—1 ensign, 2 havildars, 1 drummer, fife, or bugler, 17 privates, killed; 1 havildar, 28 privates, wounded.

*Officers killed and wounded.*

*Killed.*

51st Regt. N. I.—Ensign Johnstone, doing duty with 40th Regt. N. I.

*Wounded.*

H. M. 48th Foot—Lieutenant Smith.

*In Wynaad.*

51st Regt. N. I.—3 privates killed; 3 privates wounded; 1 havildar, 7 privates, missing.

Total Killed and Wounded—Europeans, 1 lieutenant-colonel, 3 captains, 6 lieutenants, 3 ensigns, 1 adjutant, 1 store serjeant, 10 serjeants, 6 corporals, 2 drummers, 120 privates; natives, 1 subadar, 1 jemadar, 6 havildars, 8 naigues, 3 drummers, fife, or buglers, 131 privates, 1 dresser.

*Abstract.*

Killed—Europeans, 5 commissioned officers; 44 non-commissioned, rank and file; natives, 1 commissioned officer, 45 non-commissioned, rank and file and dressers.—Total Europeans and natives, 6 commissioned, 89 non-commissioned, rank and file and dressers.

Wounded—Europeans, 9 commissioned officers, 95 non-commissioned, rank and file; natives, 1 commissioned officer, 90 non-commissioned, rank and file and dressers.—Total Europeans and natives, 10 commissioned, 185 non-commissioned, rank and file and dressers.

Missing—Natives, 9 non-commissioned, rank and file and dressers.

**Grand Total**—Killed and wounded, Europeans, 14 commissioned officers, 139 non-commissioned, rank and file; natives, 2 commissioned officers, 144 non-commissioned, rank and file and dressers. Total Europeans and natives, 16 commissioned officers, 283 non-commissioned, rank and file and dressers.

N. B. Native followers with H. M. 48th Regt.—4 killed and missing, 2 wounded.

Since the above, 12 bearers of the Dooly Department, attached to H. M. 48th Regiment, are reported missing.

T. H. S. CONWAY,  
Adjutant-General of the Army.

Head-quarters Adjt.-General's Office, Camp  
Bangalore, April 15, 1834.

*To the Adjutant-General of the Army, Fort St. George.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to inclose an extract from field division orders published the day before the column under my immediate command entered the Coorg country, which I request you will lay before his Excellency the Commander in Chief,

I have the honour to be, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel

Commanding Coorg Field Force.

Head-Quarters, Camp near Madkerry,  
April 9, 1834.

*Extract from Field Division Order by Brigadier  
Lindesay, C. B. Commanding Coorg Field Force.*

Camp Bettadpore, April 1, 1834.

THE Brigadier announces to the troops under his command that the force will probably encounter the enemy to-morrow: it is his desire to press upon all ranks that this is not a war of extermination, but against that part only of the Coorg nation which may be actually in arms in support of the Rajah, whom for his cruelties it is the determination of the British Government to depose, and that the people are to be considered as enemies only so long as they offer opposition; Colonel Lindesay expresses his anxious hope that the war may be conspicuous for a spirit of humanity becoming the character of the British nation.

It is hereby proclaimed and is to be explained to natives of all ranks, including followers, that it is the Brigadier's determination to suppress at once by the severest punishment the slightest attempt to plunder or oppress the inhabitants. All supplies are to be immediately paid for upon the spot, or to be allowed to be taken away without any offer of violence on the part of the troops, or followers of the force. Those of the inhabitants who may come in and manifest a disposition to submit to the British authority, are to be kindly received, and such immediate and effectual protection afforded them, as may tend to encourage and extend that inclination on the part of the inhabitants of the country.

(A true extract).

SAML. HICKS,

\* Assistant Adjutant-General, Coorg Field Force.

*Bivouac one mile and a half in advance  
of the Huggul Ghaut, Three P. M.  
April 4, 1834.*

The Assistant Adjutant-General Coorg Field Force.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you, that I arrived within two miles of the Stoney river, on the forenoon of the 2d instant. At two o'clock I ordered out a party to feel for the enemy; they were found two hundred yards within the Company's territories, were drawn across the river, their position known, and their strength well approximated. On this occasion I regret the death of Lieutenant Erskine, His Majesty's 48th regiment, a promising Officer, and the only casualty in this affair.

2. In the morning at six I marched, gave the stockade three rounds of cannister and grape, and then stormed and carried it with trifling loss.

3. From this time until half past three P. M. we had to fight our way every inch; stormed two regular stockades and two breastworks; besides felled trees without number; the last stockade was so strong that if we had not attacked in reverse as well as front our loss would have been serious. Our light companies were out in the jungle on the right, and kept down the fire of the Coorg skirmishers.

4. At four P. M. as the men were much exhausted I took up my position for the night at Stoney Nullah, three miles and a half from the bottom of the Ghaut, pushed on a strong advanced post with a gun and mortar, and established our flank companies on the hills to the right which commanded our position, and bivouacked for the night. Our advanced post was attacked by skirmishers; but an occasional alert and gun kept them in good order.

5. At six I marched in advance, and within a quarter of a mile of our camp met a flag of truce with a letter to my address from the Rajah, the original of which I have the honour to enclose.

The Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General wrote, by my orders, an answer to this effect, that if the Rajah's troops did not fire we should not, but that as my orders were to go up the Ghaut, go I would; they brought a portion of their troops in front of us; allowed the flag of truce to remain, and then we marched until my advanced flank companies passed through the last Ookuda at Huggul, at two P. M. on this ground, where I told them I should remain until to-morrow morning, they brought out grain for the troops which was acceptable, as the far greater part of our supplies were in the rear. As the impediments of stockades, breastworks, and felled trees are at every hundred yards, our guns cannot be up until to-morrow, when I march to Verah Chenderpett.

6. Our casualties are about fifty, but half my sepoys are in the rear, I have not been able as yet to get returns. No Officer was killed on Thursday.

It will afford me the highest gratification to bring particularly to the notice of the Officer commanding the force, and his Excellency the Commander in Chief, the noble manner in which I was supported by my Staff, Officers, and soldiers employed in this column. At this moment the fatigue and suffering of every person in my force is such that I hope

the Officer commanding will pardon the want of details.

I have the honour to be, &c.

D. FOULIS, Colonel, commanding  
western column Coorg Field Force.

*To the Assistant Adjutant-General Coorg Field Force.*

SIR,

With reference to the last paragraph of my dispatch from my bivouac in advance of Huggul Ghaut (4th April), I have now to perform the just and pleasing duty of bringing to the notice of the Brigadier General commanding the force, the noble manner in which I was supported.

To my personal Staff I am greatly indebted for the success we have met with, especially to Captain Butterworth, who led the attacks on the stockades, and the first that entered them, receiving three slight ball wounds, also for the reconnoissance which he made on the 2d, by which the situation and strength of the enemy on the lower stockade were ascertained, and which led to our speedy success next day. Captain Butterworth's choice of ground and his plan of encampment have met with my entire satisfaction; and his knowledge of military dispositions I shall be happy to have brought to the notice of his Excellency the Commander in Chief.

To Captain James Macdonald, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, who was most forward on all occasions, and to whose energy and exertions I am equally indebted with Captain Butterworth, as well as on the evening of the 2d, as on the attacks on the 3d. Captain Macdonald led the light company 48th and grenadiers 32d regiment, to take the last stockade in reverse; the ascent was steep, and the enemy defended every tree. Captain Macdonald received the Rajah's vakeels, translated the letters, and contrived, without allowing the Rajah's title, to keep them in good humour and give us supplies.

To Officers commanding corps he is greatly indebted for the steady manner in which they led their men, especially to Captain Cortlandt Taylor, commanding the artillery, who in the most gallant manner brought his guns to bear within seventy yards of the first stockade, and ensured the capture which followed. The unwearied exertions of this Officer (though suffering from a sprained ankle) in always having his guns up a steep Ghaut and prepared for action.

There are many I would wish to notice, but where all have done their duty it would perhaps be invidious to particularize, yet I cannot forbear to notice, that the brunt of the fighting fell on the flank companies, especially on those of His Majesty's 48th regiment.

I should also be wanting in the feelings of a commander and a soldier, did I fail to bring to the notice of the Brigadier-General (in the hopes that he will bring the same to his Excellency the Commander in Chief) volunteer Thomas Bell, the son of Lieutenant-Colonel Bell, of His Majesty's 48th regiment; this young man was conspicuous in every attack and skirmish of the enemy.

Subadar Mooneah and Wapuldar Paup Naick, the Ex-Rajah's vakeels, allowed their loss on the Huggul Ghaut to have been about 250 men, including four

chiefs. Our casualties about 50 shall be reported in a separate letter of this evening.

I have the honour to be, &c.

D FOULIS, Colonel,  
commanding western Coorg Field Force.  
Camp, Mootoodanoor, April 7, 1834.

*List of Casualties in the Attack, &c. of the Huggul Ghaut.*

Staff—1 captain wounded.

H. M. 48th Reg.—1 lieutenant, 4 privates, and 1 dresser, killed; 1 lieutenant, 1 serjeant, 1 corporal, 14 privates, wounded.

Artillery—1 serjeant, 1 corporal, 1 private, wounded. 20th Reg. N. I.—2 privates killed; 2 privates wounded.

32d Reg. N. I.—3 privates killed; 8 privates wounded.

Sappers and Miners—1 private killed; 5 privates wounded.

Grand total—48 killed and wounded,—1 captain, 2 lieutenants, 2 serjeants, 2 corporals, 40 privates, 1 dresser.

N. B. Names of officers killed and wounded.

H. M. 48th Reg.—Lieutenant Erskine killed; Captain Butterworth and Lieutenant Gibbs slightly wounded.

JAS. MACDONALD, D. A. A. Gen.  
W. C. C. F. F.

Camp, Mootramoody, April 7, 1834.

*To the Assistant Adjutant-General Coorg Field Force.*

SIR,

I do myself the honour to acquaint you, for the information of Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. commanding the Coorg Field Force, that the column under my command, pursuing its march yesterday, came upon a strongly fortified position (Buck) of the enemy, situated on the brow of a steep ascent, the passage to which (a narrow defile through a dense jungle) was obstructed by felled trees. The defile being impassable to artillery until the position should be carried, the advance\* was strengthened, and divided into two parties, with instructions to make sufficient detour on each flank to take the position in reverse; from the density of the jungle, and not having view of the work, the two parties closed to the centre much sooner than was desirable, and met at the same moment, immediately opposite to the front of the position, from which a most destructive fire was opened upon them; that did not however deter them rushing to the assault, which proving wholly unsuccessful, they took advantage of the best cover that circumstances would admit, and the commanding Officer, Major Bird, sent for a reinforcement and further instructions; I directed an addition of 40 Europeans and 100 Native Infantry, with the remainder of the Sappers and Miners, to be immediately forwarded; for this purpose Lieutenant-Colonel Mill was directed to detach the Europeans,

\* 80 Europeans; 160 Native Infantry; 80 Sappers and Miners.

instead of which he headed them himself, and was followed by the whole detachment, who passed unperceived into the wood and made the best of their way to the position. Major Bird was directed to use his utmost endeavour to carry the position, but should it be found impracticable to withdraw. His report is herewith enclosed.

The circumstance of the whole of the Europeans having thus irregularly been taken to the assault, which I have not failed to notice in such manner as to prevent the recurrence of any future deviation from orders, while it establishes beyond a doubt, the impregnability of the enemy's position, since nothing could exceed the determined gallantry of the endeavour, deprived me of the means of pursuing any further measures at the time, had there been a prospect of success from my doing so.

During the attack the line although placed under the best cover that circumstances would admit, at the opening to the defile, was exposed to a galling fire from the jungle, which the skirmishers or artillery could not keep under, occasioning considerable loss.

When the advance retired from the assault, after an endeavour that lasted four and a half hours, the enemy gave a shout of victory, an increasing fire was kept up from the woods; I made such disposition of the column as enabled it to retire to the ground it quitted in the morning, distant two and a half miles, without any loss of stores or baggage.

I regret to say the loss has been most severe, a return of which shall be transmitted as soon as it can be correctly ascertained. Lieutenant-Colonel Mill, His Majesty's 55th Reg. Ensign Robertson, of the 9th Reg. N. I. Ensign Babington, 31st Reg. T. L. I. killed, and six Officers wounded, the Adjutant of the 55th Reg. severely.

The severely wounded could not possibly be removed from the position, an attempt to bring off the body of Lieutenant-Colonel Mill entirely failed, two of the carriers being killed.

I have the honour to be, &c.

G. WAUGH, Colonel,

Comg. Northern Column Coorg Field Force.

Camp at Cubbattah, April 4, 1834.

*To the Assistant-Adjutant of the Northern Column.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to report to you, for the information of the Officer commanding the force, that in obedience to orders, I proceeded, as Field Officer of the day, with the advance picquet, and having suddenly fallen on a strong stockade and breastwork (the outer work was a very strong bamboo defence, staked with large trees and flanked, commanding the approach in every direction; the inner was strong and substantial, built of stone and mud, and surrounded with a deep ditch, and having innumerable loop holes, and the access to it apparently impracticable for guns), every exertion was made to carry it by assault, and which, though repeated, I regret to say failed. After having been exposed to a most severe and raking fire for four hours and a half, which we endeavoured to check, and finding it altogether impracticable I had a consultation with the senior Officers of the picquet, and decided on retiring, which

was effected with the greatest difficulty. Whatever means were required for reinforcing the picquet I feel fully satisfied were afforded. The nature of the country in which we were engaged, and the position of the work so strong, that doing more was impracticable; nothing could have exceeded the steadiness and bravery of both Officers and men, and I regret to say the loss of both has been very heavy. For want of food, and the excessive fatigues of the march latterly, my men were so much jaded that they could scarcely pull their triggers, although evincing every inclination to do so, and worked to the last.

I have the honour to be, &c.

C. M. BIRD, Major 31st Regt. L. I.

Field Officer of the day coming off duty.  
Camp, April 4th, 1834.

*Return of the Killed, Wounded, and Missing of the Second or Northern Column of the Coorg Field Force, Camp at Hamgoad, April 5, 1834.*

Artillery—2 European privates wounded.

H. M. 55th Regt.—1 lieutenant-colonel, 3 serjeants, 1 corporal, 1 drummer, 23 privates, killed; 1 captain, 2 lieutenants, 1 adjutant, 4 serjeants, 3 corporals, 1 drummer, 60 privates, wounded.

Sappers and Miners—1 European private, 1 havildar, 4 privates, natives, killed; 11 privates, natives, wounded.

Rifle Company—1 private killed; 1 private wounded.

9th Regt. N. I.—1 ensign killed; 1 store serjeant, 1 naigue, 1 drummer, fifer, or bugler, 4 privates, wounded; 1 private missing.

31st Light Infantry—1 ensign, 1 jemadar, 1 naigue, 8 privates, killed; 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 1 subadar, 1 havildar, 1 naigue, 20 privates, wounded.

Total Killed—Europeans, 1 lieutenant-colonel, 2 captains, 3 lieutenants, 2 ensigns, 1 adjutant, 1 store serjeant, 7 serjeants, 4 corporals, 2 drummers, 86 privates; natives, 1 subadar, 1 jemadar, 2 havildars, 3 naigues, 1 drummer, fifer, or bugler, 50 privates.

*Officers killed and wounded.*

*Killed.*

H. M. 55th Regt.—Lieutenant-Colonel Mill.

9th Regt. N. I.—Ensign Robertson.

31st Regt. T. L. I.—Ensign Babington.

*Wounded.*

H. M. 55th Regt.—Captain Warren, Lieutenants Robertson and Brooke, slightly; Lieutenant and Adjutant Heriot, severely.

31st Regt. T. L. I.—Captain Hutchinson, slightly; Lieutenant Martin, severely.

N. B. One man of H. M. 55th regiment, reported killed, since rejoined, badly wounded.

G. WAUGH, Colonel,  
commanding 2d or Northern Column.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
commanding Coorg Field Force.

*To the Adjutant-General of the Coorg Field-Force.*

SIR,

I HAVE to report to you, for the information of

Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. commanding the Coorg Field Force, that, in consequence of information received yesterday evening, I detached this morning two serjeants and forty rank and file of His Majesty's 48th Regiment, together with a company and a half of Sepoys, the whole under the command of Captain Noble, attended by the Brigade Major. They moved forward to Bullary Pett at daybreak this morning, for the purpose of reconnoitring the position of a stockade about five miles in advance of this; in the midst of a dense jungle, about two miles distant on the march, we fell in with an abandoned post of the Rajah's people, but on arriving within less than half a mile of the stockade several of the Rajah's people were seen lurking, but they retreated amongst the bushes, and made no attempt to oppose us; shortly afterwards the stockade appeared in view from a sudden turn in the road, but apparently none of the Rajah's people were behind it; Captain Noble and the Brigadier-Major pushed forward with the advanced guard, and approached within fifty yards of the gateway, the road was apparently clear, but bounded on the left by hills covered with an impenetrable jungle, separated from us by a deep jungle gully. The ground to the right commanded us and was crowned by stockading from the gateway, and which flanked the road for about eighty yards, when it followed the bend of the hill and retired from our left flank. We were in the act of returning when it was considered necessary to examine a small pathway on the right flank, but a shot from that quarter appeared to be the signal for a general running fire, which extended even to the rear of our flanks, and it was here the detachment suffered the heaviest loss, from the Rajah's people occupying the thick and impenetrable jungle which surrounded us on every side. Immediately on the fire commencing, the guides deserted us, and as the road is of the very worst kind, and some parts merely a footpath with several of a similar nature diverging from it, the detachment very soon became entangled amongst them; it was some time before they found the main road, on regaining which, although closely pressed by the enemy from the hill-tops and jungle, our loss became less severe, notwithstanding the extreme fatigue undergone, when within about a mile and a half of the camp we fell in with two strong parties sent out to support us, when as the men were fatigued they were immediately marched in, under cover of the supports by whom the enemy were effectually checked. I regret to say that our loss in killed and wounded has been severe, owing to the nature of the country and the excessively bad road; every valley as well as hill by which we passed on our advance and return, commanded us on the flanks, which, from knowledge of the country, the leader of the Rajah's people was enabled to use to great advantage, there were some horsemen and two guns accompanying them.

I beg leave to submit to you the impracticability of forcing this stockade without the aid of artillery, as from the nature of the country there appears no method of turning it, and it is flanked on every side by an impenetrable jungle; in fact, the whole road from this place to the stockade is either on the sides of hills or in the valleys surrounded by jungle, every inch of which may be defended against an attack-

ing force. The party opposed to us on our retiring amounted I should consider to about three hundred.

I beg herewith to annex a return of the killed and wounded.

I have the honour to be, &c.

G. JACKSON, Lieut. Col.

commanding western auxiliary column.

Camp, Moodunur, 24 miles beyond

Coombla, Head Quarter W. A. C.

C. C. F. F. April 3, 1834.

#### *Abstract of Killed and Wounded.*

Detachment H. M. 48th Reg.—1 serjeant, 8 rank and file, killed; 1 subaltern, 6 rank and file, 3 severely and 3 slightly, wounded.

40th Regt. N. I.—1 subaltern, 2 serjeants or havildars, 1 drummer, 17 rank and file, killed; 1 serjeant or havildar, 28 rank and file, wounded.

Total—1 subaltern, 3 serjeants or havildars, 1 drummer, 25 rank and file, killed; 1 subaltern, 1 serjeant or havildar, 34 rank and file, wounded.

Native followers with H. M. 48th Regt.—4 killed and missing, 2 wounded.

#### *Names of Officers killed and wounded.*

##### *Killed.*

Ensign Johnstone, 51st Regt. doing duty with 40th N. I.

##### *Wounded.*

Lieutenant Smith, H. M. 48th Regt.

Since the above, 12 bearers of the Dooly Department, attached to H. M. 48th Regiment, are reported missing.

R. W. CLEVERTY, Brigade Major,  
West Aux. Col. C. F. F.

#### *To the Assistant Adjutant-General, Coorg Field Force.*

SIR,

FOR the information of Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. Commanding Coorg Field Force, I have the honour to report the safe arrival at the Field Hospital Kessame Hooscottah of the whole \* of the sick and wounded of the column under my command, and that the several wounded cases are doing remarkably well.

By the laudable exertions of Captain Laurie commanding the dépôt, due provisions has been made for their accommodation in temporary buildings within the fort, the construction of which commenced prior to my leaving on the 1st instant, according to arrangements which I made with the Fouzdar of the district.

I have the honour to be, &c.

G. WAUGH, Colonel,  
Comg. 2 or North. Col. C. F. F.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
Comg. Coorg Field Force.

Camp, Madkerri, April 10, 1834.

\* To the 6th instant inclusive.

*To the Adjutant-General of the Army, Fort Saint George.*

SIR,

WITH reference to my letter of the 6th instant, I have the honour herewith to transmit a return of ordnance, &c. &c. found in the fort of Madkerry.

I have the honour to be, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
Comg. Coorg Field Force.

Head Quarters, Camp near Madkerry, April 10, 1834.

*Return of Ordnance, &c. &c. captured at Madkerry, the 8th April 1834, by the eastern column, under the immediate command of Brigadier Lindesay, C. B. commanding Coorg Field Force.*

Brass Ordnance—Guns, 1 one-pounder, 1 seven-inch mortar.—Total 2.

Iron Ordnance—Guns, 1 twelve-pounder, 2 nine-pounders, 2 eight-pounders, 2 six-pounders, 3 three-pounders, 3 one and a half-pounders, 13 one-pounders, 22 wall pieces.—Total 48.

Grand Total—Guns, 1 twelve-pounder, 2 nine-pounders, 2 eight-pounders, 2 six-pounders, 3 three-pounders, 3 one and a half-pounders, 14 one-pounders, 1 seven-inch mortar, 22 wall piece.—Total 50.

Muskets, matchlocks, and pistols, 42.

Matchlock barrels, 52.

Iron round shot of different calibres, 1062.

Cannister shot of different calibres, 287.

Gunpowder, loose and in cartridges, 1200 lbs.

A great number of spears of different kinds.

Swords, Coorg knives, &c.

R. S. SETON, Capt. Horse Arty.

Comg. Artillery C. F. F.

P. LINDESEY, Col.

Commanding Coorg Field Force.

Camp, Madkerry, April 8, 1834.

*To the Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General Coorg Field Force.*

SIR,

I do myself the honour to report to you, for the information of the Officer commanding Coorg Field Force, that, on the night of the 9th of April, my advanced guard and picquet were attacked by three bodies of the enemy's troops, and I regret to say, the picquet were cut up before the fresh guards came up to the enemy, when they retired immediately. I was unable to pursue them into Coorg itself, as a column of the enemy went off through the jungle to the S. E. of my position with the intention of surprising Manantoddy.

After in vain endeavouring to meet with the enemy, I pushed in here last night to defend this post.

I hope to receive intelligence to-day, and will prevent their getting into the interior of Wynaad, but I regret to say, I got no assistance from the inhabitants, who evidently sided with the enemy.

I have the honour to be, &c.

F. MINCHIN, comg. in Wynaad.

Manantoddy, April 5, 1834.

P. S. I find several of the enemy were killed,

but under cover of the night they carried off the dead bodies of their comrades, so I have not been able to learn the exact number.

*Return of the Killed, Wounded, and Missing, of the Light Company 51st Regt. N. I.*

3 privates killed; 3 privates wounded; 1 havildar, 7 privates, missing.

Total—I havildar, 13 privates.

I have the honour to be, &c.

F. MINCHIN, comg. in Wynaad.

*To the Adjutant-General of the Army, Fort Saint George.*

SIR,

I have the honour to report, for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that the Rajah of Coorg surrendered himself unconditionally to the force under my immediate command at twelve o'clock last night, and is now a prisoner in the fort of Madkerry under safe custody.

I have the honour to be, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
commanding Coorg Field Force.

Head-quarters, Camp near Madkerry,  
April 11, 1834.

*To the Adjutant-General of the Army, Fort St. George.*

SIR,

I HAD the honour of reporting yesterday that the Rajah Verarajander Woodyer had surrendered himself a prisoner, and was secured in the Fort of Madkerry.

As this desirable event may be looked upon as the termination of hostilities, I deem it a proper occasion to acquaint the Commander in Chief with the sense I entertain of the services of the Staff and other Officers his Excellency was pleased to appoint to the force.

To the unwearied exertions of Major Steele, the Deputy Quartermaster-General, I am entirely indebted for the information and arrangement which, by enabling me to concentrate the force on the capital, so speedily and satisfactorily effected the object for which it was so employed. Lieutenant Mackenzie Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General has performed the minor duties with great credit. The willing activity of Captain Byham, of the Artillery, a volunteer attached to the department, has been conspicuously useful.

Lieutenant Hicks, the Assistant Adjutant-General, has conducted the numerous duties of his department with zeal and attention; while Captain Forbes, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, of His Majesty's 39th Regiment, an excellent and intelligent Officer, attached to myself, has afforded me very valuable assistance.

Colonels Foulis and Waugh, Lieutenant-Colonels Stuart and Jackson, commanding the different columns, have, I am assured, used their utmost exertions to carry into effect the operations entrusted to them.

The respective reports which I have already had

the honour to transmit, will have put his Excellency in possession of their opinions of the services and merits of the troops under their orders.

It remains therefore for me only to bring to the notice of his Excellency the excellent conduct of that part of the eastern column which has been acting under my orders. To Major Poole, of His Majesty's 39th Regiment, whom I placed in immediate command of the Infantry Brigade, to Captain Seton, commanding the Artillery, and Captain Underwood, the Chief Engineer, I have been indebted for the most zealous and able assistance, and I do but justice in reporting that the Officers and soldiers of every rank and degree have, under all circumstances and in all respects, merited my most perfect approbation.

I have the honour to be, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
commanding Coorg Field Force and Brigadier.  
Camp, at Madkerry, April 11th, 1834.

P.S.—I feel it due to the Commissariat Department to add that, notwithstanding the extreme difficulties of the roads the troops have never been without supplies, which I attribute to the attention of Lieutenant Robertson, Sub-Assistant Commissary-General, and to the excellent instructions under which he has acted.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel.  
T. H. S. CONWAY, Adjt.-General of the Army.

[Received in a former Dispatch.]

To the Adjutant-General of the Army.

SIR,

I DO myself the honour to report to you, for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that the head quarter division of the eastern column of the Coorg Field Force under my command, this morning entered the Coorg territory, crossing the Cauvery at Hebhauly.

The passage of the river was slightly defended by a party of about two hundred men, who disappeared as soon as the head of the column had reached the middle of the ford.

No casualties occurred on our side, and as far as I can learn none on the part of the enemy.

I have not as yet received the report of the operations of the other columns.

I have the honour to be, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
commanding Coorg Field Force.  
Head Quarters, Camp Hebhauly, April 2d, 1834.

To the Adjutant-General of the Army.

SIR,

I have the honour to report to you for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that the head quarter division of the eastern column of the Coorg Field Force under my command, this morning attacked and took the pagoda at Ramasamy Gurnaweye, and effected a passage across the Ghaut. The enemy made rather more resistance than I had reason to expect.

They again made a stand at a difficult barrier,

situated in a thick jungle, the approach to which was much obstructed, but the troops speedily dislodged and drove them off.

I am happy to be able to state that the casualties on our side have been very few; I herewith transmit a return; the enemy are said to have lost eight or ten people. We took one gun and twelve prisoners.

I have as yet received no report from the other columns.

I have the honour to be, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
commanding Coorg Field Force.  
Head Quarters, Camp Arungey, April 3d, 1834.

*Return of Killed and Wounded of the Head-Quarter Division Coorg Field Force, in Skirmishes with the Enemy on the 3d April 1834.*

*Killed.*

1 horse, shot under Lieutenant Hicks, Assistant-Adjutant-General.

*Wounded.*

H. M. 39th Regt.—1 private, severely.  
4th Regt. N. I.—1 private, 1 drummer.  
Sappers—1 private. P. LINDESAY, Colonel.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour, by order of the Commander in Chief, to forward, for submission to the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, copy of dispatch received at three A.M. this day from Brigadier Lindesay, C.B. commanding Coorg Field Force.

The Commander in Chief has announced the surrender of Madkerry at this station by a royal salute.

The Brigadier speaks in all his dispatches of the admirable conduct of the troops in all respects, and of the exceeding fatigue they have cheerfully undergone in dragging the guns and tumbrils over mountains where the bullocks could do nothing.

I have the honour to be, &c.

T. H. S. CONWAY,  
Adjutant-general of the Army.  
Adjutant-General's Office, Head-quarters,  
Camp, Bangalore, April 9, 1834.

To the Adjutant-General of the Army, Fort St. George.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to report, for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that the head-quarter division of the eastern column of the Coorg Field Force marched to Madkerry, the capital of the Coorg country, this morning, and took possession of the fort without any opposition, on the walls of which the British flag has been displayed under a royal salute, and it is now occupied by the light company of H. M. 39th regiment.

The fort was vacated by orders from the Coorg Rajah previous to our arrival, and it is expected that he will deliver himself into our hands to-morrow.

The troops were much harassed the last two



marches in consequence of the natural difficulties of the road, which were much increased by large trees being thrown across, and caused much delay in removing them, and yesterday we could only advance five miles in fourteen hours. We met with no other obstructions from the enemy, all the stockades having been deserted, or the occupants delivering themselves up on the approach of the column, and placed themselves under our protection.

I am happy to say that the troops continue extremely healthy, and nothing could exceed their exertions in overcoming the difficulties they had to contend with, under the most trying circumstances, and I request you will express my sentiments of their good conduct, European and Native, to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
commanding Coorg Field Force.

Head-quarters, Camp, Madkerry,  
April 6, 1834.

*To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George.*

SIR,

WITH reference to my letter of the 15th instant, No. 30, I have now the honour, by order of the Commander in Chief, to forward, for submission to Government, Lieutenant-Colonel G. M. Steuart's report of the operations of the eastern column of the Coorg Field Force, with an additional return of wounded.

I have the honour to be, &c.

T. H. S. CONWAY,  
Adjutant-General of the Army.

Head-quarters, Adjutant-General's Office,  
Camp, Bangalore, April 16, 1834.

*To the Adjutant-General of the Army, Fort St. George.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to transmit copy of the report of the operations of the second division of the eastern column Coorg Field Force, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Steuart, which I request may be submitted to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have, &c.

P. LINDESAY, Colonel,  
commanding Coorg Field Force.

Head-quarters, Camp, near Madkerry,  
April 13, 1834.

*To the Assistant Adjutant-General of the Coorg Field Force.*

SIR,

IN compliance with the instructions conveyed in your letter of the 6th instant, I proceed to report to you the operations of the column under my command; and beg leave, in the first place, to state in explanation, that my only reason for not having done so earlier, arose from my having been so constantly employed from the morning of the 2d until the evening of the 5th, that I imagined, that so long as

the Brigadier commanding was put in possession of all occurrences, it would be immaterial through what department my letter was forwarded.

In obedience to instructions, I marched from Periapatam on the morning of the 2d, and about ten o'clock reached the Cauvery, and found that the enemy were in considerable force on the opposite bank. I immediately ordered up a gun, and in the meantime a fire had opened across the river between the enemy and the rifle company of the 36th Regiment, which lay on the hither bank of the river. I then directed two companies to form on the left, to cross the river, and outflank the enemy on that side, whilst another party took them on the right flank. There were several shots fired from the gun with admirable execution, and the enemy quitted this strong barrier as our men reached the opposite bank. Their number probably amounted to about 300 men. They fled in every direction, leaving about 10 of their number dead on the field.

The bed of the river, even at the ford, being so rocky and difficult of passage for guns, &c. I was obliged to encamp in the vicinity of the river, and the enemy, at periods, fired on us from the woods, without however doing any mischief, except harassing the troops, whom I felt necessitated, in consequence, to order to sleep on their arms.

I was next day prevented breaking up my camp until after mid-day, in consequence of the commissariat supplies not having been brought over the river the evening before, a delay which I was quite unprepared for, as no report of the circumstance has been made to me by the overseer in charge until the moment I was about to order the assembly. The guides furnished to the column having made off the day before I quitted my encampment much perplexed me as to the route to be pursued. After marching about two miles, a fire was opened upon the advanced guard from a high stockade, but at such a distance as to prevent their doing any mischief, only a few spent balls reaching the men at the head of the column. A gun was brought up and served with the usual precision by Lieutenant Montgomery, whilst a party was detached from each flank to carry the break-work and barriers.

The success of the manoeuvre was as complete as I could have desired; the enemy evacuated their post as our men reached the crest of their immense barriers, rising one above another to the height of about fifty feet, overgrown with thorns, and so steep as to be very difficult of access. The enemy here lost 7 or 8 men, and amongst them a mogul or putan, named Kurreem Khan, who had reinforced the place the evening before with a detachment of 300 men, in consequence, as we have understood, of our having forced the passage of the cauvery the day before, and on whose desperate valour I have every reason to suppose the Rajah put the utmost confidence for the defence of this important post, which would appear to be the key of the country between the Ramagawny Cannawye and Seedepoor, having in its rear a high road in excellent order direct to Madkerry. This road is not mentioned in the instructions, so I suppose has been hitherto unknown; nor is there any road leading from the river up to the stockade.

From an accident happening to one of the gun

carriages, I was unable further to prosecute any route, and encamped beyond the stockade, which is a large square place measuring about half a mile across it, having in the first place destroyed some of the defences made on the Madkerry road, at first from ignorance of its being the wrong road, and afterwards from a desire to delude the enemy as to the route to be pursued in the morning.

The next morning, as I was breaking ground, an Arab came in with a white flag, requesting me to halt my column at this place. I, of course, dismissed him, and declined receiving another individual, whom he represented as having a letter from the Rajah. This day (the 4th) there were a few shots occasionally exchanged, during the march, between the enemy and our skirmishers, but without any loss, I believe, on either side.

The next day (the 5th), I reached Veerajenderpett, without having been molested, and with scarce any cases of sickness in the camp.

A list of individuals who have suffered from wounds is forwarded herewith; and I can only attribute the smallness of their number to the regularity and precision with which my orders were invariably carried into execution.

The whole of the troops under my command behaved with the utmost steadiness and gallantry on every occasion.

The detachment of His Majesty's 39th Regiment surmounting all difficulties with the characteristic behaviour of British soldiers, nor were the Native troops of the 36th and 48th less forward in maintaining their good name.

Since the first day of operations I have been deprived of the services of Captain Smyth, of His Majesty's 39th Regiment, who, although severely wounded in the foot, continued to lead on his men throughout the day, after forcing the passage of the river.

To Major Wiggins, of the 36th Regiment, I feel myself most particularly indebted for his gallantry before the enemy, as well as for his unremitting and

zealous exertions during the few days we have been in the field, by forwarding my wishes and the weal of the public service in every possible manner, in all of which he has been well supported by the men and officers of the regiment under his command.

The small detachment of sappers under Captain Green have at all times cheerfully performed their constant and arduous duties.

To my two Staff Lieutenants, Considine and Maclean, I deem myself to lay under great obligations, not only for the zealous manner in which their official duties have been performed, but for the spirited manner in which they accompanied the columns of attack.

In conclusion, I beg leave to observe, that I should not have allowed myself to run into such prolixity of detail, were it not that I felt it due to individuals, who have so cheerfully and ably seconded my wishes in the performance of four days harassing duties.

I have the honour to be, &c.

G. M. STEUART, Lieutenant-Colonel,  
commanding the 1st or Eastern Column  
Coorg Field Force.

Camp at Sudapoor, April 11, 1834.

*A List of Individuals in the Eastern Column of the Coorg Field Force, who have been wounded since the Commencement of Operations on the 2d of April 1834, on the Bank of the Carvery.*

H. M. 39th Regt.—1 captain, 2 privates, wounded,  
36th Regt. N. I.—3 privates wounded.  
48th Regt. N. I.—3 privates wounded.

*Name of Officer wounded.*

H. M. 39th Regt.—Captain H. Smyth, severely, but not dangerously.

THOMAS MACLEAN, Lieut. Depy.  
Assist. Adjt. Gen. E. C. Coorg Field  
Force.

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