

was quite what I should have expected from the gallantry and zeal of these very meritorious officers.

I have, &c.

(Signed) H. GOUGH, Lieutenant General,
Commanding Expeditionary Force.

To The Right Honourable the Earl of
Auckland, K. G. C. B. Governor Ge-
neral of India.

SIR, Ningpo, 10th March 1842.

I HAVE the honour to report, for the information of Lieutenant General Sir H. Gough, that the enemy approached Chinhae during last night. The garrison was alarmed this morning at day-break by their firing ginjalls against, and endeavouring to force, the west gate, before which time they were not discovered. The 55th was under arms immediately, and I proceeded to drive the enemy out of the suburbs.

This was effected in a few minutes by the Light Company, 50 strong, under Capt. Daubeney.

On arriving at a Joss house, about a mile outside the walls, I found them posted in a body, about 1,200 strong. Capt. Daubeney, supported by three companies under my command, immediately attacked them, and put them to flight, pursuing them with as much celerity as he could; but as they were better acquainted with the nature of the ground than he was, the whole country being intersected, like a labyrinth, with canals, and as they took the precaution to destroy the bridges, which consist merely of loose planks of wood, in their retreat, he was unable to inflict so severe a loss upon them as might have been otherwise expected.

We have captured thirteen ginjalls, with a quantity of other weapons, and destroyed a boat-load of powder.

I write this in very great haste, as the steamer is about to start, and beg to recommend Capt. Daubeney to your favourable consideration for the able and gallant manner in which he led his men into action.

Two mandarins and about 30 men were killed, but the greater number of the wounded were carried off by the peasants.

I have, &c.

(Signed) T. H. SCHOEDDE,
Colonel, Commanding Chinhae.

To the Deputy Adjutant General.

Extract of a Letter addressed to Lieut. General Sir Hugh Gough, K. G. C. B. by Lieut. Colonel Morris, dated

Ningpo, 11th March 1842.

I HAVE to report to your Excellency that this city, the garrison of which you did me the honour to place under my command on your departure for Chusan, on the 3d instant, was attacked before day-light on the morning of the 10th by the enemy, in great force, at two points, namely, at the south and west gates, and I have much pleasure in informing you that both these assaults were repulsed,

although sustained with considerable daring, with immense loss on the part of the assailants.

I had received information that an attack was meditated, and at about two A. M. in the morning of the 10th, the reports of cannon were heard on the river, and which proved to be from H. M. ship Columbine, which was anchored before the town, and against which, and the rest of the shipping, fire rafts had been sent down the river by the enemy.

Not a moment was lost in getting the troops under arms, but as the morning was extremely dark it was impossible to ascertain the precise points on which the attack was made, although the report of musketry was heard in the directions of the south and west suburbs.

At about four A. M. the officer commanding the south gate guard reported to me that he had been attacked in such force as to be compelled to fall back. I immediately ordered Capt. M'Andrew, of H. M.'s 49th regt. with his company to proceed down the street leading to the south gate, and if he found the gate in possession of the enemy to retake it, and which service that officer performed in the most gallant style. Captain M'Andrew reports to me, that upon gaining the street, he found that the enemy were not only in possession of the south gate, but had penetrated, in great force, as far as the market-place, in the very heart of the city. He instantly commenced street-firing, and also made several charges with the bayonet on the head of the enemy's column, and finally succeeded in driving them out of the city with a very heavy loss.

As soon as the dawn had appeared I ordered Lieut. Michell, with the grenadiers of the 49th regt. to proceed in the direction of the west gate, and act as circumstances might require, and shortly after I followed myself in the same direction, with another company of the 49th regt. under the command of Lieut. Montgomery. The grenadiers of the 49th regt. arrived at the west gate very opportunely as they found the guard under the command of Lieut. Armstrong, 10th Royal Irish, and Lieut. Grant, of the 49th regt. whom I had some time before dispatched, with a small party to reinforce the west gate, hotly engaged with the enemy, who were endeavouring in heavy masses to force the gate, and several of whom had actually scaled the walls. A private party of the 18th Royal Irish, under Lieut. Murray, as also Lieut. Colonel Montgomerie, C. B. commanding Madras artillery, with two field-pieces, arrived much about the same time, and by their united exertions succeeded in repulsing the attack with a considerable loss to the enemy. Lieut. Colonel Montgomerie, C. B. having been joined by Lieut. Colonel Mountain, C. B. Deputy Adjutant General, with a small party of the 26th Cameronians, proceeded through the west gate in pursuit.

Upon arriving at the west gate, and finding how matters stood, I immediately followed the party in advance, and upon reaching the centre of the suburb the carnage was perfectly frightful.

The enemy having at length extricated himself from the suburb, fled along the bank of the canal,