

a degree; nor must I omit to mention the labours of Captain Henderson and Lieutenants Outlaw and Boileau, with their hardy little band of sappers, whose labours enabled the heavy 8-inch howitzers to come up into action.

To Captain Blenkins, the service is indebted for the ablest arrangements in the Commissariat Department.

The exertions of the Officers of the Medical Department, under Inspecting-Surgeon Bell, were very laudable.

Lieutenant Leeson well arranged the baggage close up to the line, and merits thanks, for the duty of a Baggage-Master, with an Indian army, is Herculean.

I will not close the list of those to whom I am indebted, without mentioning that brave and indefatigable Arab Gentleman, Ally Akbar, to whose ability and activity I am much indebted.

Many, my Lord, have been the acts of individual valour performed by Officers and private soldiers (both European and native), and the account of them shall hereafter be laid before your Lordship.

The Beloochee infantry and artillery fought well; their cavalry made no stand, and 5000 disciplined soldiers were not to be long resisted by a barbarian force, even though that force were nearly five to one.

From the accounts which have come in since writing the above, there is reason to believe, that the loss of the enemy has been very great; about 500 bodies have been counted upon the field of battle; and, it is said, that the neighbouring villages are filled with dead and wounded men. Eleven pieces of cannon were taken in position on the nullah, and seventeen standards.

It gives me great satisfaction to say, that some prisoners have been taken, and though the number is small, it is still some advance towards a civilized mode of warfare, for I cannot help thinking that the desperate resistance generally made by wounded Beloochees has arisen from their own system of warfare, which admits of no quarter being given in action.

We are at present employed in collecting the wounded Beloochees within our reach, in order to render them medical assistance.

I have deeply to regret the loss of the brave and excellent Captain Garrett, of the 9th light cavalry, who fell honourably in the battle; and also the fall of Lieutenant Smith, of the Bombay artillery; with unsurpassed and desperate valour he galloped in front of his battery, and rode up upon the top of the nullah (filled with enemies) to see where his guns could bear with greatest effect—here this hero fell. Many of the Sindian people (who are all in great delight at the destruction of their Beloochee oppressors) have come into camp from different parts, and bring assurances that the Beloochee force is wholly dispersed, and that Meer Shere Mahomed has fled into the desert with his family and about 40 followers; but, as Emaum Ghur has been destroyed, the heat will soon force him to quit this temporary refuge where there is no protection, from the sun; he

will therefore probably endeavour to reach Moul-tan. I have written to his Highness Ali Morad to arrest his progress in that direction, if possible, and to make him prisoner.

Three Beloochee Chiefs fell in the action; one of them was the great promoter of the war, Hoche Mahomed Seedee; and, I have every reason to believe, that not another shot will be fired in Sinde.

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C. J. NAPIER, Major-General,
Commanding in Sinde and Beloochistan.

Casualty Roll of Killed and Wounded in the Action near Hyderabad, on the 24th March 1843.

- 1st Troop Horse Artillery—1 lieutenant killed; 3 rank and file wounded.
2d Company 2d Battalion Artillery—1 camel killed; 2 camels wounded.
3d Company Golundauze—1 lieutenant, 1 syce, 1 horse, wounded.
3d Regiment Light Cavalry—1 rank and file, 3 horses, killed; 9 rank and file, 12 horses, wounded.
9th Regiment Light Cavalry—1 captain killed; 3 rank and file, 1 syce, 9 horses, wounded.
Poona Horse—3 rank and file, 7 horses, killed; 1 lieutenant, 17 rank and file, 8 horses, wounded.
Sinde Horse—13 horses killed; 1 havildar, 17 rank and file, wounded.
C. Company Madras Sappers—1 rank and file wounded.
Her Majesty's 22d Foot—23 rank and file killed; 4 lieutenants, 1 ensign, 6 havildars, 2 drummers, 111 rank and file, wounded.
1st Grenadier Regiment—2 rank and file killed; 1 rank and file wounded.
8th Regiment N. I.—1 rank and file wounded.
12th Regiment N. I.—1 rank and file killed; 1 rank and file wounded.
21st Regiment N. I.—1 trumpeter, 3 rank and file, killed; 2 lieutenants, 1 subadar, 1 jemadar, 1 havildar, 21 rank and file, wounded.
25th Regiment N. I.—3 rank and file killed; 3 jemadars, 3 havildars, 16 rank and file, wounded.
Staff—1 lieutenant wounded.
Total—1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 1 trumpeter, 36 rank and file, 23 horses, 1 camel, killed; 9 lieutenants, 1 ensign, 1 subadar, 4 jemadars, 11 havildars, 2 drummers, 201 rank and file, 2 syces, 30 horses, 2 camels, wounded.
Grand Total—267 killed and wounded.

Names of Officers killed and wounded.

- 1st Troop Horse Artillery—Lieutenant J. C. Smith, killed.
3d Company Golundauze Battalion—Lieutenant T. C. Pownoll, wounded slightly.
9th Regiment Light Cavalry—Captain C. Garrett, killed.
Poona Horse—Lieutenant Tait, wounded slightly.