

All these guns were mounted, and in five of the batteries a quantity of ammunition of all kinds found in the magazine. This was destroyed and the guns spiked, several thrown down the precipice, and the buildings burnt.

THOMAS COCHRANE,
Rear Admiral and Commander-in-Chief.

List of Killed and Wounded at the Attack on the Fort of Bruné, Borneo Proper, on the 8th of July 1846.

Agincourt—John Lillie, seaman, killed; Walter Power, seaman, severely wounded (arm since amputated); John Gomerson, seaman, slightly wounded on face and leg; Robert Doharty, seaman, slightly wounded in arm; John Lensar, seaman, slightly wounded on thigh.

Phlegethon—William Kind, carpenter, severely on face; Kala Chand, cook, severely wounded (since dead); Baboo, cook, slightly wounded on arm; Moon Chally, stoker, slightly wounded on thigh.

Marines—None.

(Signed) J. WATT REID, Surgeon,
H. M. S. Agincourt, Superintending Expeditionary Force.

SIR, *Spiteful, River Bruné,
Borneo Proper, July 20, 1846.*

HAVING received such information as to the retreat of the Sultan, as to hold out some hope of his capture, I directed Captain Mundy to take under his command, in addition to the gun-boats, one hundred and fifty marines, and a detachment of seamen, small-arm men and rocket party, and to proceed in the direction pointed out to him in pursuit of his Highness.

I have the honour to inclose a letter I have received from Captain Mundy, narrating his proceedings during a period of six days; and although the object of our pursuit has escaped us, it has offered an opportunity for the display of further zeal and cheerful obedience on the part of the officers and men, in a situation altogether novel to them; and afforded a gratifying proof of what their conduct would have been had their exertions been rewarded by the presence of an enemy.

I have the honour, &c.
THOS. COCHRANE,
Rear-Admiral and Commander-in-chief.

P. S.—The guns on the islands of Cherimon and Coin Arrang, alluded to in my letter No. 113, of the 9th instant, have since that date been sunk in deep water, and the batteries razed to the ground.

T. C.

The Secretary of the Admiralty, London.

*Honourable Company's steam vessel Phlegethon,
off City of Borneo, July 19, 1846.*

SIR,

I HAVE to acquaint your Excellency, that on the morning of the 10th instant I moved up the river Borneo, with the force which you did me the honour to place under my command; the strength of which, including the gun-boat division, I herewith annex (A).

Having understood from your Excellency that it was the intention of Mr. Brooke to accompany the expedition, the main object of which was to endeavour to penetrate into the interior as far as the village of Damuan, distant about thirty miles from this city, where it was reported the Sultan had fixed his head quarters, and with a body of five hundred men was determined to make a stand; I consulted Her Majesty's agent as to the best mode of carrying out your orders; and he coinciding in my opinion, that as rapid a march as possible should be made towards the Damuan district, I decided on carrying this plan into effect as soon as we could discover a place of disembarkation.

As your Excellency accompanied the expedition ten miles up the river, I shall commence my report from that time.

The boats, nineteen in number, containing nearly 500 men, on parting company with your Excellency, at 10 A.M., continued to ascend the river for half a mile, when they turned abruptly into a small creek on the left bank, which the native guides assured Mr. Brooke led to a village called Kabirun Battoo, where Hadji Assim, an adopted son of the Sultan, and one of the principal enemies of civilization, had retreated the day before the capture of the city.

After paddling and tracking the boats for three hours through intricate windings, with mangrove swamps on either hand, and overhanging trees level with the water's edge, affording constant work for our pioneers, and, owing to the rapid current, presenting considerable difficulty to the advance, particularly of the paddle-box boats laden with the detachment of royal marines, we finally gained a landing-place, the depth of water admitting the division of boats of the greatest draught to maintain their stations.

Having disembarked the party, we commenced our march without loss of time; a body of marines, forty strong, under the orders of Lieutenant Alexander, R.M.A., and a detachment of pioneers, advancing through the jungle in Indian files, about a hundred yards in advance of the main body, Mr. Brooke, myself, and two guides accompanying former. After a walk of twenty minutes, to our great surprise, the guides informed us that on emerging from the jungle we should be close on the village of Kuberan Battoo. This report we found correct; and having gained the open ground, I threw out flanking parties to the right and left, and surrounded the principal mansion—a building of considerable size, erected on piles, according to the Dyak fashion. It turned out to be deserted by the owners, but was full of valuable property