

Return of the Iron and Brass Ordnance, taken and spiked by the British Force under the command of Major-General D'Aguilar, C.B., on the 2d, 3d, and 5th April, 1847.

Forts of the Bocca Tigris.

Arrunghoy—194 iron ordnance, 14 brass ordnance; total 208.

N. Wantang Island—140 iron ordnance, 10 brass ordnance; total 150.

S. Wantang Island—101 iron ordnance, mounted, 3 iron ordnance, dismounted, 5 brass ordnance; total 109.

Forts of the Staked Batteries of the River.

Pachow Fort, right bank—35 iron ordnance, mounted, 29 iron ordnance, dismounted; total 64.

Wookongtap, left bank—35 iron ordnance, mounted, 6 iron ordnance, dismounted; total 41.

Rapier's Island—48 iron ordnance, 1 brass ordnance; total 49.

Whampoa Creek—63 iron ordnance, 2 brass ordnance; total 65.

Forts of the City of Canton.

French Folly—38 iron ordnance; total 38.

Dutch Folly—23 iron ordnance; total 23.

Ruge Fort—26 iron ordnance; total 26.

Zigzag Battery—20 iron ordnance; total 20.

Segment Battery—30 iron ordnance; total 30.

Shaneen Battery—56 iron ordnance; total 56.

Total 847 iron ordnance, 32 brass ordnance.
Grand total 879.

Time did not admit of taking the calibres of the guns in their several forts; their bores were found to be of unusually large diameter, some of nearly thirteen inches, and none under five inches. All were mounted upon new garrison carriages, on the English construction, and with iron truck wheels.

WM. BRERETON, Lieut-Col. R.H.A.,
Commanding Royal Artillery.

GENERAL ORDER,

By Major General D'Aguilar, C.B. Commanding the Troops.

*Head Quarters, Victoria, Hong Kong,
10th April 1847.*

THE Major General congratulates the troops on the success that has crowned their exertions; he congratulates them still more on the discipline observed by them in the course of their late short but arduous operations; and, above all, he congratulates them on the praiseworthy manner in which they have abstained from every act of injury or outrage that could tarnish the honour of the British arms.

In the course of a few days, the Bogue Forts, and all the principal works and batteries on the Canton river, have been taken possession of, some of them by assault, and eight hundred and seventy-nine pieces of cannon, by the latest return, spiked or rendered otherwise unserviceable.

The Chinese have received a lesson, in return for their frequent acts of aggression on the persons of British subjects, that will not be lost upon them.

They have submitted to all the demands of Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary without reserve, and have yielded, happily for themselves, just in time to arrest the course of an assault that would have been attended with fearful loss of life to them, and the inevitable destruction of their provincial capital.

When such advantages have been obtained, let it be one more source of congratulation to British soldiers to reflect, that they have been purchased, under Providence, without bloodshed, and that the honour of the British arms has been proudly maintained, without one act of violence or one departure from the principles of humanity.

In recording these acts, so honourable in themselves and so deserving of approbation, the Major General desires to impress on the handful of men by whom they have been achieved, this great and most important of all lessons, "*It was discipline alone that could effect them,*" and while this first duty of a soldier continues to be practised, that the troops can never fail in fulfilling their duty to their Sovereign and maintaining the honour of their country.

By order,

J. BRUCE, Captain,
Assistant Adjutant General

Admiralty, 25th June 1847.

DISPATCHES have been received at this Office, from Rear Admiral S. H. Inglefield, C. B. dated Penang, 8th May 1847, and addressed to H. G. Ward, Esq. Secretary of the Admiralty, of which the following are copies:

*Her Majesty's Ship Vernon,
Penang, 8th May 1847.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to enclose, to be laid before the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the report from Captain M'Dougall, of H. M. Steam Ship Vulture, the Senior Officer at Hong Kong, relative to the combined naval and military expedition up the Canton river, in the early part of last month, which I have but this moment received, and I beg you will assure their Lordships, that it is only my unwillingness to detain the mail longer than may be absolutely necessary, which prevents me from calling their Lordships' more particular attention to this well executed and bold enterprise, which reflects so much credit upon the Hon. Major General D'Aguilar, Captain M'Dougall, and the whole of the Officers and men under their respective orders.

I have, &c.

(Signed) S. H. INGLEFIELD,
Rear Admiral and Commander in Chief.

To Henry G. Ward, Esq. M. P.
Secretary of the Admiralty,
London.