

their position was surrounded by an impenetrable barrier of trees and brushwood; and the only road open to their retreat was by the one they had advanced.

9. The force was collected, and measures were adopted for retiring. The wounded were numerous, and were conveyed to the boats by the seamen; for many of the dooley-bearers had decamped. To bring away the two field-pieces was impossible, for every spare man was required to carry the wounded. They were consequently spiked, and their carriages destroyed. The enemy kept up a distant fire for several hours after the retreat was commenced; but never dared to approach the rear, which was ably and well supported by the grenadier company of the 67th Regiment.

After twelve hours' fatiguing march the forces reached Donabew. The seamen and marines embarked in their boats, and a steamer was placed at the disposal of the officer in command of the troops, of which he availed himself for the conveyance of his men back to Rangoon.

I herewith inclose a list of the killed and wounded. (No. 2.)

Commander Lambert speaks in the highest terms of all who served with him, and received valuable assistance from Lieutenant Horatio Nelson. He particularly mentions Lieutenants Glover and Bushnell; also Messrs. Hinde and Wilson, mates. These officers, although severely and painfully wounded, endured the fatigue of a long march, encouraging their men, who were nearly exhausted from the heavy burden they had to bear in carrying the wounded.

Captain Loch expired, on board the Phlegethon, about forty hours after he had received his wound.

This officer's character is so well known that it scarce requires a comment from me; but his having served on two stations under my immediate orders, I may add, that it would be impossible to find a more gallant, intelligent officer, devoted to his profession, which, by his untimely death, has lost one of its highest ornaments.

I have, &c.,

G. R. LAMBERT, Commodore, 1st Class,
Commander-in-Chief.

Enclosure No. 1.

List of the Naval Force under the command of Captain G. G. Loch, C.B., of Her Majesty's Ship Winchester, in action with the Burmese Force on the 4th of February, 1853.

Her Majesty's Ship Winchester.

Gig—6 seamen; Captain Loch, C.B.; Mr. Slade, Assistant Surgeon; and an Interpreter;
Launch—20 seamen; 10 marines; Lieutenant Bushnell; Mr. Hinde, Mate; Lieutenant Gill, Royal Marines;
Barge—15 seamen; 5 marines; Lieutenant H. Nelson; Mr. Round, Mate; and an Interpreter;
Pinnace—14 seamen; 5 marines; Mr. Wilson, Mate; Mr. Barnardiston, Midshipman;
1st Cutter—14 seamen; 4 marines; Mr. Lomax, Mate; Mr. Saunders, Assistant Surgeon;
2nd Cutter—11 seamen; 3 marines; Mr. Bond, Mate; Mr. Robinson, Midshipman;
Landing Party—19 seamen; 9 marines; Mr. Underhill, Master's Assistant.

Total from H.M.S. Winchester...99 seamen, 36 marines, and 14 officers.

Her Majesty's Ship Fox.

Gig—6 seamen; Commander Lambert;
Launch—15 seamen; 6 marines; Lieutenant Kennedy; Mr. Lucas, Midshipman;
Pinnace—15 seamen; 4 marines; Mr. Hudson, Midshipman; Mr. Blackett, Midshipman;
Barge—13 seamen; 4 marines; Mr. Rasen, Midshipman;
2nd Pinnace—11 seamen; 6 marines; Mr. Pocock, Mate; Mr. Craven, Midshipman;
Total from H.M.S. Fox...60 seamen, 20 marines, 8 officers.

Her Majesty's Steam-sloop Sphinx.

2 Paddle-box boats—26 seamen; 6 marines; Lieutenant Glover; Mr. Morphy, Master's Assistant; Mr. Johnson, Assistant Surgeon.
Winchester—99 seamen, 36 marines, 14 officers;
Fox—60 seamen, 20 marines, 8 officers;
Sphinx—26 seamen, 6 marines, 3 officers;
Total...185 seamen, 62 marines, 25 officers.

Left in charge of boats when the force advanced—18 seamen, 1 officer;

Detached in Fox's boat to Pantano—11 seamen, 2 officers;

Detached in Sphinx's boat to Pantano—13 seamen, 2 officers;

Total...42 seamen, 5 officers.

Total number advanced on the Burmese Force—143 seamen, 62 marines, 20 officers.

J. L. SOUTHEY,
Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief.

Enclosure No. 2.

Return of the Killed and Wounded in the Naval Brigade under the command of Captain Granville G. Loch, C.B., in the engagement on the 4th of February, 1853.

Her Majesty's Ship Fox.

Killed.

C. B. D. Kennedy, aged 33, lieutenant, left dead on the field.

George Mills, aged 24, corporal of marines, left dead on the field.

Wounded.

George Mills, aged 28, A.B., dangerously, fractured skull.

Charles Lillywhite, aged 26, coxswain of launch, dangerously, right thigh and cheek.

John Faucet, aged 30, A.B., severely, left shoulder.

James Gale, aged 21, ordinary seaman, slightly, right arm and side.

Henry Deviznols, aged 29, captain of mizen-top, dangerously, right arm, left arm, and side.

James Byrnes, aged 20, ordinary seaman, slightly.

John Lamphire, aged 26, A.B., slightly.

Thomas Percival, aged 23, private marine, severely, left arm.

Charles Hounsom, aged 36, private marine, severely, right breast.

Thomas Stears, aged 24, private marine, severely, left thigh and back.

George Fry, aged 27, private marine, severely, left arm.

Her Majesty's Ship Winchester.

Killed.

John Hockey, aged 27, A.B., left dead on the field.

Barnard Connell, private marine, left dead on the field.

George Stanton, private marine, left dead on the field.