

gun-boats in tow, not far off; this most novel and unexpected sight of a Russian man-of-war for once clear of a stone wall, and to all appearance inclined to give us a fair and honest fight, created the greatest enthusiasm amongst the men and officers.

I directed Mr. Hale, commanding the Ruby, to open fire on her at once, but she very soon retired out of range, having, I think, received some damage. We had now reached the entrance of the sound; Viborg was in sight, and a fair prospect of attacking three large gun-boats, lying with another steamer under an island about one mile off. We were here brought up by a barrier, impeding the passage of the gun-boat and launches.

At this moment, a masked battery on the left bank, not more than 350 yards off, opened on us a heavy fire of musketry, round, and grape; this was instantly returned and kept in check by a rapid and well directed fire from the Ruby and all the boats. The enemy's steamer and gun-boats then came from under the island and also opened fire on us.

As it was impossible to get the Ruby through the barrier, I returned towards Stralsund, the enemy's riflemen following us along the banks, but driven from their positions as fast as they took them by the fire from the Ruby and boats.

An explosion took place in one of the Arrogant's cutters, which swamped the boat; the men were saved, but I regret to say that Mr. Story, the midshipman in command of her, was killed.

In endeavouring to save the crew, the boat drifted close to the battery, and would have fallen into the hands of the enemy, had not Lieutenant Haggard, of this ship, and Lieutenant Dowell, R.M.A., of the Magicienne, in the Ruby's gig, with a volunteer crew, towed her out under a very heavy fire.

I cannot sufficiently praise the conduct of all the officers and men who were engaged in this affair, where their cool and determined courage enabled them to handle most severely, and keep in check for upwards of one hour, the enemy far superior in number, with the advantage of local knowledge and a good position.

I beg to enclose a list of the casualties, and also a list of the officers in the boat.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) H. R. YELVERTON,
Captain.

Rear-Admiral the Hon. R. S. Dundas,
&c. &c. &c.

List of Casualties in the Officers and Men of Her Majesty's ship Arrogant, while engaged in the boats with the enemy, off Viborg, on the evening of the 13th of July, 1855.

KILLED.

Mr. George E. Story, Midshipman

WOUNDED.

George Hitches, Gunner's Mate, dangerously (since dead)
Edward Coleman, Coxswain of Cutter, dangerously
William West, Private R.M., severely
H. B. Woollcombe, Lieutenant, slightly
George Ingouville, Captain of Mast, slightly
Harle Ford, Ordinary, slightly
William Cowell, Private, R.M., slightly

(Signed) JOHN GALLAGHER, M.D.,
Surgeon.

Approved.

(Signed) H. R. YELVERTON,
Captain.

List of the Officers and Boats belonging to Her Majesty's ships Arrogant and Magicienne, engaged with the Enemy, in the Viborg Channel, on the 13th July, 1855.

Arrogant.—

Launch—

Lieutenant Henry V. Haggard.
Mr. Regd. T. Clark, Mate
Lieutenant Ponsonby R. Holmes, R.M.
Mr. George O. Siddal H. Dresser.

Barge—

Lieutenant Henry B. Woollcombe.
Honourable James Fitzmaurice, Acting
Mate

Pinnace—

Mr. Clayton Mitchell, Midshipman.

1st Cutter—

Mr. Algernon J. Montagu, Midshipman.

2nd Cutter—

Mr. George E. Story, Midshipman
(killed)

Magicienne.—

Pinnace—

Lieutenant Henry B. King.

List of the Men Wounded belonging to Her Majesty's ship Magicienne, on the 13th of July, 1855.

WOUNDED.

Victor Hannen, Ordinary, gun-shot wound, severe, through the right leg.
James Cunday, Stoker, gun-shot wound, slight, on the head.
John Bishop, A.B., contusion of left ankle from splinter.

ROBERT CLARKE, M.D.,
Surgeon.

(Signed) R. VANSITTART,
Captain.

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