

53rd, and those of the Quartermaster's department under Captain Marshall, were everything I could wish.

The total number of the enemy was reported to be about 4000 men, 2000 of whom were Sepoys, who fought in their uniform. Their loss was estimated at above 300 killed.

I have, &c.
WILLIAM PEEL, Captain R N.
Commanding.

I have the pleasure to inform his Excellency that the remaining gun of the enemy, with three tumbrils, were brought in this evening by the police, having been abandoned by the rebels in their flight about 8 miles beyond Kudjwa, and that the Sepoys have dispersed in all directions pursued by the villagers.

India Board, January 4, 1858.

THE following despatches have been received from India.

No. 1.

Captain Boileau to Lieutenant-Colonel Gordon.

SIR, *Azimghur, September 20, 1857.*

I HAVE the honor to report, for the information of Colonel Gordon, commanding the district, that, having been reinforced by the arrival of the Shere regiment of the Goorkha force from Jaunpore, at 6 P.M., yesterday, I determined to attack the largest body of insurgents in our neighbourhood at once.

2. At half-past one o'clock, A.M., I accordingly moved out against them, and reached their position at the village of Mundree, 10 miles from this, a little after sunrise.

3. I found them strongly posted, the village covering their centre, and extensive fields of sugar-cane (now at its greatest height) protecting both their flanks, with a grove of mangoe trees in rear.

4. They had received no notice of my approach, and I am told that many parties had quitted their camp in search of plunder; the number left amounting to not less than 1000 men with three (3) guns.

5. When within a quarter of a mile of their position, the Goorkhas broke into 5 columns, and advanced with great rapidity and spirit to the attack, rushing straight to the guns, receiving their fire, and capturing them in less than 10 minutes after the first shot was fired.

6. The insurgents retreated at once, and were pursued for nearly 3 miles, losing men at every step. They finally dispersed in the sugar cane. The country is covered with fields of this plant, and afforded an admirable shelter to the enemy, whose loss on this account was much less than it would otherwise have been. We were also unable to make use of our guns against them, as, owing to the rapidity of the advance, they were unable to keep with the troops.

7. I would estimate the loss of the rebels at from one hundred and fifty (150) to two hundred (200) killed; and many wounded must have crept into the sugar cane.

Our loss is two (2) killed and twenty six (26) wounded: I annex a return. Lieutenants Dunbar and Hay, and Assistant-Surgeon Wright, were present in the field, and Messrs. Wynyard, of the Civil Service, and Venables, Deputy-Magistrate, volunteere cr services, and accompanied the

troops throughout, the latter gentleman killing 3 of the enemy with his own hand.

I have the honour, &c.,
BOILEAU, Captain,

In Military Charge, Goorkha Detachment
Azimghur.

Forwarded to Major-General Mansfield, Chief of the Staff, for submission to his Excellency, the Commander-in-Chief, by his obedient servant,

P. GORDON, Lieutenant-Colonel,
Commanding at Benares.

No. 2.

*Assistant-Surgeon Wright to Captain Boileau,
Commanding at Azimghur.*

SIR, *Azimghur, September 21, 1857.*

I HAVE the honor to forward, for your information, a memorandum of the casualties which occurred in the action yesterday.

The unusual number of severe cases is in consequence of the large proportion of gunshot wounds, 23 out of the 26 wounds having been from gunshot, and most of them from grape.

It is not unlikely that several slight wounds may be under the treatment of the Baidas attached to the force.

I have the honor to be, &c.,
T. P. WRIGHT, Assistant-Surgeon,
With Goorkha Force.

No. 3.

*Return of Killed and Wounded in the Goorkha
Force engaged at Mundree, September 20,
1857.*

Guness Dutt Regiment.—Killed, 1; dangerously wounded, 1; severely wounded, 6; slightly wounded, 2.

Subhuz Regiment.—Killed, 1; dangerously wounded, 1; severely wounded, 9; slightly wounded, 2.

Shere Regiment.—Dangerously wounded, 1; severely wounded, 3; slightly wounded, 1.

Total.—Killed, 2*; dangerously wounded, 3; severely wounded, 18; slightly wounded, 5.

T. P. WRIGHT, Assistant-Surgeon,
With Goorkha Forces at Azimghur.

No. 4.

*Captain C. W. Bannister, Commanding at Neemuch,
to the Adjutant-General of the Army, Bombay.*

*Camp, Neemuch,
October, 24, 1857.*

SIR, I have the honor to report that, on the morning of the 23rd instant, Captain Simpson, commanding at Neemuch, marched out with a force, strength as per margin,† to attack some rebels reported to be at a village, or walled town, called Jeerun, about ten miles distant from Neemuch. It had been ascer-

* I did not see a dead man, but I am told there were two killed as above.

† 2nd Cavalry, 6 officers and 255 rank and file; Her Majesty's 83rd regiment, 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, Bengal Native Infantry (attached), 50 rank and file; 12th regiment Native Infantry, 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 21st Native Infantry (attached), 100 rank and file; 2 9-pounder guns and one mortar under Lieutenant Barnes Bengal Horse Artillery; the whole force commanded by Captain Simpson commanding at Neemuch.