

1ST DIVISION.

Captain the Honourable K. Stewart.
 Captain George S. Hand.
 Commander J. F. C. Hamilton.
 Commander G. A. C. Brooker.

	Officers.	Men.
Sybillé	8	153
Nankin	9	208
Sampson	3	48
Racehorse	3	49
Elk	3	45
Inflexible	3	52

Sybillé's and Nankin's boats' crews to form a Company.

First division to wear white frocks outside their blue frocks.

2ND DIVISION.

Captain A. C. Key, C.B.
 Commander A. W. A. Hood.
 Commander J. F. Slight.

Calcutta	} Officers and Men 504.
Sans Pareil	
Actæon	
Acorn	
Macao Fort	

The Rev. J. Bussell, Chaplain of Calcutta,
 The Rev. P. Rogers, Chaplain of Sans Pareil, for general service of the brigade.

Calcutta's and Sans Pareil's boats' crews to form a Company.

Second division will wear blue.

3RD DIVISION.

Captain Sir Robert McClure, Knt.
 Captain the Honourable A. A. Cochrane, C.B.
 Captain Sherard Osborn, C.B.
 Commander W. M. Dowell.
 Commander Charles Fellowes.

	Officers.	Seamen.
Esk	6	104
Niger	4	65
Highflyer	5	64
Hornet	4	65
Cruizer	4	65
Furious	10	70

Third division will wear white trousers over blue trousers.

Grand Total 1554

Captain C. F. A. Shadwell, C.B., to take command of the forces in the Factory Reach, including the magazines and depôts on Honan.

Captain W. T. Bate to be attached to the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief, and Lieutenant Colin Campbell, commanding the Opossum, to be attached to the Staff of Major-General Van Straubenzee, C.B., Commanding the Forces. Commander Wilmshurst to take charge of the ships and transports below the barrier in Whampoa Reach. Commander W. A. J. Heath to take charge of the ships and transports in the Macao and Blenheim Passage Reach. Mr. J. S. Hill, Master of the Flag-ship, will superintend the landing of the boats at the landing-place, assisted by the Master of the Hesper; and two or more gun-boats will be told off to cover them.

M. SEYMOUR, Rear-Admiral and
 Commander-in-Chief.

To the Commodore, Captains, Commanders, and Commanding Officers, of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels, Canton River.

MEMORANDA.

ON the 1st day the 59th Regiment is to be told off for the attack on Fort Lin, supported by a battalion of the French Brigade.

Fort Lin is afterwards to be occupied by Colonel Holloway's Brigade.

The following morning, the whole of the 59th Regiment and 38th Madras Native Infantry are to form the covering party to keep down the fire from the walls.

The ladders of the French, Centre, and Naval Brigades having been placed on the first night as near the ditch as practicable, the parties told off for them will, when ordered, advance, and form the storming party, the remainder being in support.

The French Brigade will escalate as near as possible to the north side of Blind Man's House, the British Naval Brigade 600 yards to the north and the Centre Brigade between the two.

After entering the place, the French Brigade will form on the open ground inside the wall, advancing southwards, to take, close, and occupy the Eastern Gate. This accomplished, the remainder of the Brigade will move northward along the wall.

The British Naval Brigade will form on the wall, and advance northward along the ramparts, taking the North-East Gate, which they will open for the Artillery, and continue to hold.

Lieutenant-Colonel Lemon will form his Battalion on the wall, and will follow and support the French Naval Brigade.

Colonel Graham, having formed the 59th Regiment, so soon as the walls are in our possession, will order it to advance in support of the British Naval Brigade, unless he should see that the French Brigade requires support, in the attack on the East Gate, when it will be his duty to afford it.

Each Battalion will leave one company on the wall to assist in mounting on the ramparts such howitzers and field pieces, as may not be in position outside the walls. They will afterwards rejoin their respective brigades.

The whole force is to bear in mind that the principal object is to capture the heights within the city; no move is therefore to take place, after the capture of the two northern gates, Magazine Hill, and five-storied Pagoda, until special orders be given.

No soldier is, on any account, to be permitted to leave the ranks.

Colonel Holloway's Brigade, being in reserve, he will superintend the forwarding of the reserve ammunition, and the protection of the wounded, and see that such artillery as may be in position is properly supported. He will occupy so much of the first position, vacated by the other brigades as he may deem necessary, with a view to oppose any attack that may be made from the hills on our flank and rear.

The mot d'ordre or parole, throughout the operations will be "France and England." The guns on the walls and on the captured forts and gates will be turned on the city, except the northward ones, which will be directed on Gough's and the adjacent forts.

CAPTURE OF CANTON.

No. 358.
 SIR,

Head Quarters,
 December 29, 1857.

IT is with the highest feelings of satisfaction that I have the honour to report, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that the city of Canton was assaulted this morn-