

12. I attacked him early in the morning of the 24th instant, with the two brigades composed as per margin,* completely broke and dispersed the rebel forces, inflicting a very heavy loss upon them, and taking all the guns (seven in number) which still remained in possession of the enemy. The pursuit was pressed with great vigour till near midnight.

13. It is probable that the Rana, Beni Madho, left early in the action. He is a fugitive with a few followers, and it is supposed he has again turned northwards. I am now waiting for some exact information before taking further measures. Urgent instructions will be given to the various officers commanding posts, to act with the greatest promptitude towards preventing the rebels from again gathering together.

14. I am happy to be able to inform your lordship that, in consequence of these movements, and the hopelessness of the rebel cause, which has now become apparent to all, the talookdars and zemindars of the Byswarra country are everywhere giving in their submission.

15. The force that had left Shunkerpore, under Sir Hope Grant, did not stop at Roy Bareilly, but advanced according to instructions to Jugdespore and the Goomtee. Sir Hope Grant himself, having been ordered to Fyzabad, to take charge of the operation proceeding from that quarter, put the brigade that he had been with, under Brigadier Horsford, who is now moving leisurely up the right bank of the Goomtee towards Lucknow, and is engaged in destroying forts, and reducing that part of the county.

* Right Brigade under Colonel Eveleigh, C.B.—4 guns 1st troop 1st brigade Bengal Horse Artillery; Head Quarters 1st Sikh Irregular Cavalry; detachment Oude Police Cavalry; detachment Her Majesty's 20th Regiment; detachment Her Majesty's 80th Regiment; detachment Oude Police Infantry. Left Brigade, under Colonel Jones, 6th Dragoon Guards—4 guns Light Field Battery, Royal Artillery; squadron Her Majesty's 6th Dragoon Guards; squadron 6th Madras Light Cavalry; Head Quarters, Her Majesty's 5th Fusiliers; detachment Her Majesty's 23rd Fusiliers; 1st Belooch Battalion; 23rd Company Royal Engineers; detachment Native Pioneers; 1st company Sikh Artillery, with 4 mortars. Total, about 2,800 men of all arms.

16. Thus I think I may assure your lordship that the first half of the Oude campaign has been brought to a conclusion, in conformity with the plans I have had the honour to submit for your lordship's consideration. Although extending over a length of more than two hundred miles, each movement, and each apparently isolated attack, has been made to defend and to support what was going on to the right and left. The advance in line, stretching from the confines of Rohilcund to Allahabad and Azimghur, has compressed everything like rebellion in a large sense of the word beyond the Gogra, with the single exception of the Seetapore district, which is about being settled by the advance of Brigadier Barker. He is already across the Goomtee. The late proceedings of that officer, and of Brigadier Troup (the latter having taken Mitowlee, and beaten the rebels opposed to him in two or three actions) in the north-west, in giving execution to their several instructions towards the general plan of campaign, have been very satisfactory.

17. It is to be expected, when rebellion has been so long dominant in a very extensive country, that chiefs, whose acts have placed them beyond the pale of mercy, and bodies of plunderers, will still continue to give trouble. I trust, however, that the late operations will have so far carried out your lordship's policy, as to reduce the remaining difficulty to a matter of police, rather than of military combination, in that part of the province which has now been subdued.

I am about to march to Lucknow. A movement on Byramghat, and across the Gogra, in aid of that conducted by Sir Hope Grant from Fyzabad, will ensue very shortly.

I have, &c.,

CLYDE, General,
Commander-in-Chief, East Indies.

P.S. In these operations the conduct of the troops has been admirable, as usual; and I shall have much pleasure, hereafter, in bringing to your lordship's notice, the names of those officers and soldiers who have more particularly distinguished themselves.

[Casualty Lists published in London Gazette, January 7, 1859, page 40.]

RETURN of Ordnance captured by the Force with His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, on the 24th of November, 1858.

Camp, Badour, November 25, 1858.

No.	Nature.	Description.	Length of Piece.	Remarks.
1	Brass ...	Gun, 9-pounder	Ft. In. 6 0	British manufacture, marked "A. Wilson, 1844, Cossipore."
1	Brass ...	Gun, 4-pounder	3 9	Native manufacture, guns burst and carriage destroyed.
1	Brass ...	Gun, 3-pounder	2 5	
4	Iron ...	Guns, 6-pounder	5 6	
				The three brass guns are parked in camp, and one serviceable tumbril.

ABSTRACT.

Guns, brass	3
Guns, iron	4
Total	7

C. J. B. RIDDELL, Lieut.-Col. R. A.,
Commanding Artillery.