

brigade, composed as per margin,* under the command of Senior Lieutenant J. W. Dorville of the flag-ship employed with the forces upon this occasion, in the utmost confidence that ample justice will be done to them.

Enclosed is a list of the casualties that took place in the squadron while employed upon this service, and His Excellency desires to remark that it is a subject not less of surprise than thankfulness that so few have taken place on the occasion.

I have, &c.

G. P. MARTIN.

GENERAL MEMORANDUM.

To the Captains and Commanders of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels and the East India Company's Steamers, in the Rangoon River.

Rattler, Rangoon River, April 10, 1852.

It having been determined that the squadron of steamers and transports shall commence their advance up the Rangoon River at 1:30 P.M. of this day, it is my direction that the following arrangements be observed.

The steamers will, at the hour above named, take in tow the ships and transports expressed against their names.

Tenasserim.—Her Majesty's ship Fox.
 Enterprize.—King of Ava's ship.
 Fire Queen.—Tubal Cain, Lahore.
 Moozuffer.—Atalanta, Rockliff.
 Feroze.—Sir Thomas Gresham, Hemptsyke.
 Sesostris.—Futtee Allum, Fatle Rozaek.
 Zenobia.—Bengal, Monarch.
 Berenice.—Juliana.
 Salamander.—Jessie.

The steamers not named will take up their positions in the advance as convenient.

The gun-boat has been placed at the end of the De Silva shoal to mark its position. Her Majesty's sloop Serpent and the East India Company's steamer Phlegethon have been sent to place themselves in mid-channel off the Hastings Sand, in order to point it out.

It is intended that the squadron shall anchor this evening in two divisions at the lower end of the Hastings Shoal; the first to consist of Her Majesty's ships and the East India Company's steamers from Calcutta, anchoring with their transports on the starboard hand; the second division to consist of the steamers of the Indian Navy, under the immediate charge of Captain Lynch, with their transports, are to anchor on the port hand.

The following forenoon, upon the signal to weigh being given, the steamers, with their ships and transports in tow, will proceed across the Hastings Sand, and anchor above the shoal, but not so far up as to be within range of fire from the stockades.

Directions for future movements will hereafter be given.

Particular attention is to be paid to signals, and an officer on board each ship is to be appointed to this important duty.

C. J. AUSTEN, Rear-Admiral.

* Rattler.—Senior Lieutenant J. W. Dorville, commanding; Mr T. S. Gooch, mate, (second in command); Mr O. J. Llewellyn, acting assistant-surgeon; 30 able seamen (10 lent from Hastings).

Hermes.—Mr E. A. Tweeddale, mate, and 40 seamen.

Salamander.—Mr W. H. Nurse, acting mate, and 30 seamen.

GENERAL MEMORANDUM.

To the Captains and Commanders of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels, and the East India Company's Steamers in the Rangoon River.

Rattler, Rangoon River, March 11, 1852.

THE Captains, Commanders, and Commanding Officers of Her Majesty's ships and vessels, and of the East India Company's steamers under my orders, are hereby informed of the proposed arrangements for the contemplated attack upon Rangoon.

At 4.30 A.M. to-morrow, the steamers will weigh and proceed to take up their positions off Rangoon in the following order:—

East India Company's steamers—Zenobia (headmost up the river), Moozuffer, Sesostris, Feroze. Her Majesty's ships—Fox (Commodore's broad pendant), Rattler (flag ship), Hermes (head quarters), Salamander.

The especial duty of the East India Company's steamers Tenasserim, Enterprize, Medusa, Pluto, and Maha Nuddie, will be to assist in landing the troops, by towing the boats on shore, and in such other manner as they will from time to time be directed.

The Fire Queen is to take up a position close to the flag ship, as a tender to her and the headquarters, but, upon the signal to land being given, she is to draw near the ship King of Ava, to assist in landing her troops.

The order in which it is proposed landing the men and guns comprising the land force, is as follows:—

First, Her Majesty's 51st Regiment.—Ex Feroze, 515; ex Sesostris, 380;—total, 895.

Second, Her Majesty's 18th Royal Irish.—Ex Fox, 115; ex Tenasserim, 102; ex Maha Nuddie, 81; ex Hermes, 300; ex Rattler, 100; ex Fatle Rozaek, 96;—total, 794.

Third, the 40th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry.—Ex Enterprize, 270; ex Fire Queen, 240; ex King's Ship, 550;—total, 1060.

The Artillery and Park will be landed at this time in long-boats belonging to the transports, and towed by the Medusa and ships' boats.

Artillery.—Ex Hermes, 120; ex Bengal, 120; ex Berenice, 227;—total, 517.

Ordnance.—Ex Berenice, two 24-pound howitzers, four 9-pounders; ex Lahore, two 24-pound howitzers, four 9-pounders; ex Hermes, two 24-pound howitzers.

Park.—Ex Salamander, Sappers and Miners, 160; ex Hermes, one boat for ladders and powder bags; ex Monarch, one boat for tools and materials.

There are also a few ladders on board the Fox, Monarch, Tenasserim, and Phlegethon, which it is desirable to be landed.

Finally, the Madras Infantry will be landed.

9th Regiment Madras Native Infantry.—Ex Moozuffer, 583; ex Medusa, 100;—total, 683.

35th Regiment Madras Native Infantry.—Ex Zenobia, 350; ex Sir Thomas Gresham, 350;—total, 700.

Commander E. G. Fishbourne, of Her Majesty's steam-sloop Hermes, is to be on shore at the spot which will be pointed out to him by the Commander of the Forces, to superintend the landing of the troops, and from which place a white ensign will be hoisted as a signal to the boats as the place at which to land.