

No. 10.

Return of Ordnance captured from the Rebels by the Force under Command of Brigadier-General J. Jones, C.B., in action near Meerungunge, on the 5th May 1858.

No. 1. Brass 3-pounder, native made, with carriage and limber.

No. 2. Brass 6-pounder, native made, with carriage and limber.

No. 3. Brass 6½-pounder, native made, with carriage and limber.

Total—Guns 3, carriages 3, and limbers 3.

F. W. STUBBS, Lieut. Bengal Artillery,
Comdg. Heavy Ord., Roorkee Field Force.

Camp, Bareilly, May 6, 1858.

Return of Ordnance captured by the Force under Command of Brigadier-General J. Jones, C.B., in action at Bareilly, on the 6th May 1858.

No. 1. Brass 1½-pounder, native made, with carriage, brought in by the Sappers.

No. 2. Brass 6¼-pounder, native made, carriage and limber.

No. 3. Iron 1-pounder, native made, with carriage.

One cart laden with shot and grape.

The powder was blown up at the bridge leading into the city.

Total—Brass guns 2

Iron do 1

Ammunition cart 1

Carriages 3

Limber 1

F. W. STUBBS, Lieut.

Commanding Heavy Ordnance, Roorkee
Field Force.

Camp, Bareilly, May 6, 1858.

No. 11.

Allahabad, May 31, 1858.

No. 174 of 1858.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General of India is pleased to direct the publication of the following Despatch from the Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army, No. 342 A, dated 23d May 1858, forwarding a communication from Major-General Sir Hugh Rose, K.C.B., Commanding Central India Field Force, detailing his operations against, and the capture of the fortress and town of Jhansi.

His Lordship entirely concurs with the Commander-in-Chief in the satisfaction his Excellency has expressed at the manner in which this fortress has been captured by Major-General Sir Hugh Rose, and in his Excellency's high estimation of the services of the Major-General, and of the officers and men under his command.

No. 12.

The Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, with the Governor-General.

Head-Quarters, Camp, Shahjehanpore,
May 23, 1858.

SIR,

No. 342 A.

I HAVE the honour, by direction of the Commander-in-Chief, to enclose, for submission to the

Right Honourable the Governor-General, copy of a Despatch,* dated the 30th ultimo, from Major-General Sir H. Rose, K.C.B., commanding Central India Field Force, detailing the operations of the troops under his command, against the fortress and town of Jhansi.

2. His Excellency desires to express his cordial satisfaction with the manner in which the capture of this important place was effected, and his perfect appreciation of the services of Sir H. Rose and those under his command, and he begs to recommend all to the favourable consideration of his Lordship, especially those who have been more prominently mentioned by the Major-General.

I have, &c.

H. W. NORMAN, Major,
Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army.

No. 13.

No. 176 of 1858.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General is pleased to publish, for general information, the following Despatch from the Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army, dated 24th May 1858, forwarding copy of one from Major-General Sir J. Hope-Grant, K.C.B., reporting his operations between the 10th and 13th instant, with returns of casualties, and of ordnance captured.

No. 14.

Major-General Sir J. H. Grant, Commanding Lucknow Field Force, to the Chief of the Staff, Head-Quarters.

Camp, Nuggur, May 14, 1858.

SIR,

No. 9858.

I HAVE the honour to report, that on the morning of the 10th instant, the column under my command arrived at Doundea Keira, which is a strong mud fort in the midst of jungle, belonging to the rebel Ram Buksh. On my arrival at this fort I found it deserted. Three guns were found concealed in wells, one a brass 32-pounder howitzer. I had the fort destroyed as much as possible, and the principal buildings in the town belonging to Ram Buksh burnt. On the 12th the column marched to Nuggur, and hearing there that Bene Madho and Shewrutton Singh had assembled an army of 15,000 infantry, 1,600 cavalry, and 11 guns at Sirsee, a village with a fort in it, five miles off, I determined that afternoon to proceed to attack them, leaving all the baggage, supplies, &c., with tents struck, in a safe position, with a force of cavalry, infantry, and artillery, for its protection.

It is very difficult in this country to get good information, though there are several excellent civil officers with the column for that purpose; the consequence was, on arriving at the ground, I found it much stronger than I had reason to expect. The enemy were placed along a difficult nullah, with a very strong and large jungle in their rear. The enemy's first gun began to open about 5 o'clock, but as soon as our column was formed, with the cavalry and horse artillery covering our right flank, they were attacked with such boldness and vigour that they gave way, and were driven into the jungle, leaving two iron guns behind them, a 9-pounder and 8-pounder.

* See London Gazette, July 17, 1858.