

placed the Ladder on the Flank of the Bastion, on the Right of the Bridge, under a brisk Fire from the opposite Bastion. The Walls were scaled, and the Fort carried instantly, and an Officer and Sixty-eight Prisoners secured. As soon as Day-Light appeared, the Battery of Kota Barro opened a Fire; the Distance however was too far to do any Damage. Understanding it was open to the Rear, I ordered Lieutenant Cursham, with a Party, to advance and endeavour to gain Possession: he was however obliged to return, the Enemy having turned his heavy Guns and commenced a Fire of Grape.

In consequence of your having communicated to me your Intention of laying His Majesty's Ship Dover alongside Kota Barro, the Strand Batteries, Fort Orange, and the Town, I directed Lieutenant Cursham again to advance with the Six-Pounder and take Advantage of your Fire. The Enemy in the Course of the Day threw up a Breast Work across the Road, defended by Two Field Pieces. Lieutenant Cursham fired a few Rounds from the Six-Pounder, advanced and carried it. He then proceeded on and got Possession of Kota Barro, the Enemy only firing one Round, and turned the Guns towards the Strand Batteries and the Town, keeping up a Fire until the Flag of Truce was hoisted.

I cannot express to you how much the Service on this Occasion benefitted from the Exertions of the Officers, namely, Lieutenant Jefferies of the Royal Navy, Lieutenant Higginson, Royal Marines, and Lieutenants Charles Forbes and Cursham, of the Madras European Regiment. Their Bravery was conspicuous on every Occasion, and the Success in carrying the Fort is entirely to be attributed to their great Presence of Mind in conducting Men in a dark Night, preventing Confusion incident on such an Occasion, and the gallant Manner in which they mounted the Wall.

To the Marines, Seamen, Detachment of Artillery, and Detachment of Madras European Regiment, and the Detachment of the Amboynese Corps, every Praise that can be given to Men is due. The Fatigue endured by the Seamen, in dragging the Gun and bringing up the Ammunition, was great; and the Six Seamen who carried the Ladder are deserving of Notice. I have the Honour to inclose you a Return of the killed and wounded. I attribute the small Loss on this Occasion to the Darkness of the Night, and the Quickness of the Advance of the Party.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) DAVID FORBES,  
Captain commanding Detachment.

*Return of Killed and Wounded.*

*Killed.*

Royal Marines—1 Private.  
Madras European Regiment—1 Serjeant.

*Wounded.*

Royal Marines—1 Private, severely.  
1 Seaman, severely.  
Detachment of Artillery—1 Matross, severely, since dead.  
Madras European Regiment—Lieutenant C. Forbes, received a severe Contusion from a Fall in storming; 3 Privates, severely; 6 Privates, slightly.

Amboynese Corps—1 Serjeant, 1 Private, slightly.  
1 Guide, severely.

Total—1 Serjeant, 2 Privates, killed; 1 Lieutenant, 1 Serjeant, 1 Seaman, 12 Privates, 1 Guide, wounded.

(Signed) DAVID FORBES,  
Captain commanding Detachment.

*CAPITULATION for Ternate.*  
*Requested.*

The Lieutenant-Colonel, Civil and Military Commandant, Johan Von Mittmann, proposes to Captain Edward Tucker, commanding His Britannic Majesty's Ship Dover, and the Forces employed against Ternate, to give over the said Island the 31st of this Month, provided no Succours be received by the Garrison ad interim. That all Hostilities shall cease on both Sides, and that there be no Communication between the Besiegers and the Besieged.

Agreed—Provided the Endeavour to cut off such Supplies be not deemed an Act of Hostility.

Art. I. THE Commandant, the Garrison, and other Military who have defended Ternate, shall march out of the Castle Gate with all the Honours of War, Drums beating, Colours flying, Matches lighted, with Two Brigades of Guns, and One Brigade of Mortars, and shall be received on board such Vessel or Vessels as the Commandant, &c. may embark in, with the Addition of Fifty Rounds of Ammunition for each Gun, and Thirty-six Rounds of Musket Ammunition, for each Soldier.

Answer—Granted. The Troops laying down their Arms, and delivering over their Colours on the Glacis, but the Officers will be permitted to retain their Swords. Neither Guns nor Ammunition can be allowed to embark.

Art. II. All the Officers and Soldiers, except such as are inclined to remain on the Island, shall, at the Expence of His Britannic Majesty, be as commodiously as possible transported to Java, in strong and well-formed Vessels, the Officers being permitted to carry with them their Families, Effects and Goods, without being visited.

Answer—Granted. But all Goods must pass through the Custom House.

Art. III. No Officer, Civil Servant, Soldier or Sailor, who shall be left here sick, shall be sent to Madras, or any other English Port; but on their Recovery, they shall be embarked for Java by the first Opportunity; neither shall they be forced into the British Service.

Answer—Granted.

Art. IV. All Officers, Civil Servants, Soldiers, and Sailors, and all others residing at Ternate, in the Service of the King of Holland, shall be subsisted at the Expence of the British Government from the Day of Surrender until their Arrival at Java.

Answer—Granted.

Art. V. Such Sick as shall remain in the Hospital shall be attended until they are recovered, and embarked by the Dutch Surgeons at the Expence of the British Government, such Surgeons to be also subsisted until their Arrival at Java.

Answer—Granted.

Art. VI. That all the Dutch Government Property shall be given over by Commissioners on both Sides, and that Copies of the same shall be given to the Dutch Officers for their Responsibility.

Answer—Agreed.