

marched by Nawassa to Copergaum* and Nassuck†; near the last place he was joined by Ram Deen and the fugitives from Holkar's army. He then proceeded towards Chandoor. The approach of His Excellency Sir T. Hislop drove him back to Copergaum, where he was on the day before His Excellency's arrival at Byzapoor‡. He then fled to the south east, and was last heard of at Bheer§ on the 16th, General Smith being on the same day at a place about thirty miles north west of that town.

General Munro, after the capture of Badamy|| and surrender of Bangalcote¶, moved on and took possession of Padshapoor**, he has now taken every place of the Peishwah's and Goklah's beyond the Kistna, except Belgaum. The Brigadier-General had sent a body of Peons to occupy the country about Beejapoor, or at least to deprive the enemy of its resources. I hear they have occupied Beejapoor. Colonel Prother has taken the strong fort of Loghur††, almost without opposition; he has likewise taken possession of Raiy, Machee, and Toong, and has compelled Cowance to surrender, after a bombardment. The Sucheem to whom Toong and Tekona belong, having submitted before the surrender of those places, I have restored them to him. The details of these operations will be laid before your Lordship, in the dispatches I have received from the Officers by whom they have been accomplished.

Extract from a Dispatch from the Honourable M. Elphinstone to the Governor-General and Commander in Chief, dated Camp at Tamba, 31st March 1818.

SINCE the fall of Poorunder‡‡ the forts of Chundun, Wundun, Nanghurry, Wyratghur, Kunnulghur, Pandooghur, and Kelinga§§, have surrendered to General Pritzler, and to a detachment which he sent through the valley of Waec; most of those forts are strong, and Kelinga could scarcely be taken if resolutely defended; but none of them offered resistance except Pandooghur and Kelinga, which were evacuated by the garrisons after firing a few guns at our troops. This division is now on its march to Wassoota, which is about fifteen miles from this place. The road lies over a difficult ghaut, beyond which is a wild mountainous and woody country. The Killedar has returned a letter I addressed to him unopened, and a strong detachment without guns has marched this morning to invest his fort.

I last heard from General Smith, at Diggurs on the Doodna, on the 24th. The Peishwah had past the same place seven days before, and was supposed

* Copergaum is upon the Godavery, about 45 miles S.E. of Chandoor.

† Nassuck is about 35 miles S.W. of Chandoor.

‡ Byzapoor, about 18 miles N.E. of Copergaum.

§ Bheer, about 70 miles east of Ahmednuggur.

|| Badamy, about 50 miles N.E. of Darwar.

¶ Bangalcote, about 20 miles north of Badamy, on the banks of the Gulpurba River.

** Padshapoor, about 60 miles west of Bangalcote, on the banks of the same river.

†† Loghur, upon the eastern side of the range of ghauts between Bombay and Poona.

‡‡ Poorunder, about thirty miles S. E. from Poona.

§§ These places are situated in the vicinity of Sattarah.

to be at Bassum* moving towards Nagpoor. He appears to have quitted Copergaum on the 10th, while General Smith was between Seroor and Ahmednuggur, and to have made a feint of moving to the south by Bheer, before he struck off in an opposite direction.

Copy of a Dispatch from the Honourable Mountstuart Elphinstone to Mr. Warden, Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, dated Camp Walla†, 21st March 1818.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to forward the inclosures belonging to Brigadier-General Pritzler's dispatch‡ reporting the capture of Poorunder.

I have, &c.

M. ELPHINSTONE.

Form of the Surrender of the Fort of Poorunder.

- 1st.—That private property may be taken away.
- 2d.—That public property must be delivered up, with lists of the same.
- 3d.—That all deserters from the British service must be given up, as well as all persons concerned in the murder of the Potail of Lorie, and the sick horsemen.
- 4th.— That the Arabs must be sent to Arabia.

THOS. PRITZLER, Brig.-Gen.

Extract from Division Morning Orders, dated Camp, near Poorunder, of the 16th March 1818, by Brigadier-General Pritzler.

IN announcing to the reserve division the surrender of the forts of Sassoof, Vizier Ghur, and Poorunder, Brigadier-General Pritzler has to express his entire approbation of the conduct of every Officer and soldier who was employed, and feels particularly indebted to Lieutenant-Colonel Dalrymple, commanding the artillery, and Captain Nutt, the commanding Engineer, for their professional assistance.

Although the resistance of the enemy was not so obstinate as at Singhur, the fort of Poorunder is equally strong, and its early surrender is to be attributed to the spirit with which the several positions attacked were carried, and the early and well-directed fire which was opened against the different points of the works.

The British flag will be hoisted on the fort of Poorunder, at twelve o'clock, under a royal salute from the park, and an extra dram will be issued to the Europeans.

Extract from a Report from Brigadier-General Pritzler, to the Adjutant-General, dated Camp, near Chundun and Wundun, 25th March 1818.

I HAVE the honour to acquaint you, for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that the troops under my command encamped yesterday under the hill forts of Chundun and Wundun, which were summoned to surrender; but the Killedar requiring four days to evacuate them, every preparation was made for opening heavy guns against them this morning, which so much alarmed

* Bassum or Wansim, about 140 miles S. W. of Nagpoor.

† Walla, about 30 miles S. E. of Poona.

‡ Not yet received.