

thirteen hundred in all, of whom four or five hundred were Usseel Burmese. The stockade is defended principally by stakes and spikes thickly set all round, but could not have held out if attacked, being clearly exposed to the fire of the guns, and also commanded from the opposite banks of the river. The enemy appear to have been totally unprepared for our rapid advance, as all their houses and works were in progress, in a very extended scale, as if for permanent residence. They have fled towards the hills, in a south easterly direction; but I have not yet been able to ascertain whether they will attempt to cross, or whether they propose to skirt them, directing their flight

towards their former positions at Mauroo and the eastward.

I am informed by Lieutenant Neufuille, Deputy Assistant-Quartermaster-General, that a body of Sauns and Unjphas is said to be at Jookauth, but as they are now opposed to the Burmese, the latter must find themselves on every side beset with difficulties.

I have left a subadar's party, with the gun-boats, at Rahachokey. I have taken post for the present at Namgong, pending your further instructions.

I have, &c.

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