

Lieutenant Pearson, 49th, Royal Irish, severely.
 Lieutenant Johnstone, 26th, Royal Irish, slightly.
 Easign Berkeley, 37th Madras N. I. slightly.

T. HERBERT, Captain and Senior
 Officer, China Coast.

A Return of the Ordnance mounted in the Forts on the Heights above Canton when stormed and captured, on the 25th May 1841, by the Forces under the Command of Major General Sir Hugh Gough, K. C. B. Commanding Expeditionary Forces serving in China.

Paon-Keigh-Tai, Fortress of Extreme Protection—10 four-pounders, three feet four inches and six feet six inches; 1 nine-pounder, nine feet.

Kung-Keigh-Tai—2 one-pounder, one foot six inches; 8 four-pounders, four feet three inches; 1 five-pounder, six feet; 1 nine-pounder, nine feet.

She-Ting-Paon, Asylum of Old Age, commanding the approaches of the Heights—2 three-pounders, three and half feet; 3 nine-pounders, five to eight feet; 1 twenty-four pounder, eight feet.

Yang-Kang-Tai, Terrace of Eternal Bliss—5 three-pounders, two and half to three feet; 1 five-pounder, four feet; 3 six-pounders, four feet; 3 nine-pounders, three to six feet; 1 twelve-pounder, nine and half feet.

Total—2 one pounder, 7 three-pounders; 18 four pounders, 2 five-pounders, 3 six-pounders, 8 nine-pounders, 1 twelve-pounder, 1 twenty-four-pounder.

Grand Total of captured Ordnance—42.

N. B. In each fort a number of ginjalls and considerable quantity of powder found.

Guns spiked by the Hyacinth in the battery in front of Canton—6 twenty four-pounders, 12 nine-pounders, 2 thirty-two-pounders, 6 twelve pounders, and some ten inch guns.

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*Her Majesty's Ship Wellesley, Bocca
 Tigris, May 26, 1841.*

SIR,

CAPTAIN Maitland being absent on service, I have the honour to inform you that, on the evening of the 24th, the Chinese made a most formidable and well planned attempt to burn Her Majesty's ship Wellesley.

At fifty-five minutes past eleven, P. M. a number of fire vessels were observed directly a head of us; the flood tide having then made about an hour. The barge and two cutters were immediately dispatched, under the command of Lieutenant Lord William Compton and Acting Lieutenants Fowler and Astle, the rest being away with Captain Maitland, but I am happy to inform you that, from the great exertions of both Officers and men, in these our few but only boats; the whole flotilla was towed clear without doing the slightest injury. Although there were near twenty vessels, most of them chained in couples, and some three together, and of these fourteen or sixteen passed very near on either side of the ship, and blew up when abreast of us.

I have the honour to be, &c.

J. V. FLETCHER, Commander.

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