

fire on the enemy was particularly effective. Lieutenant Olpherts, with four guns No. 16 light field battery, took up a position south of Mangore, and opened on the enemy's centre as he retreated up the hills. Lieutenant Tombs, attached to the rear guard, with two guns of No. 16 light field battery, fired several shots with great precision and effect on the enemy's left.

I feel indebted to Major Fitzgerald, of the 11th cavalry, who commanded the rear guard, for bringing up the whole of the stores and baggage of the army into camp this morning.

Brigadier Stubbs, with the Sippree contingent under his command, moved out of his camp near Punniar in the evening, at my request, to occupy the heights at the scene of action, to enable me to withdraw the force that had been engaged two hours with the enemy four miles from camp, after a fatiguing march of sixteen miles. This morning the sappers and miners, and two squadrons of the 8th irregular cavalry, joined the contingent, who were fired upon by a party of the enemy. A few shots from the contingent artillery cleared the ground, and silenced the enemy's only gun, and enabled Captain Christie, with the 8th irregular cavalry, to follow the broken enemy.

I beg to draw your Excellency's particular attention to the very valuable services I derived from Lieutenant-Colonel Parsons, Deputy Commissary General, on all occasions, but more especially in the field yesterday. I have to thank Lieut. Cunningham, Field Engineer, who turned on the enemy the guns first captured by the 3d Buffs, and Lieutenant Maxwell, commanding the company of sappers, for their exertions, and for bringing the captured guns into camp over great local impediments.

The conduct of Brevet-Captain G. Reid, Assistant Quartermaster-General, who accompanied the Buffs into action, and by his gallantry rendered me the greatest service, merits my warmest approbation. I have also to bring to your Excellency's notice the able assistance I derived from Captain Guyon, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, and also from my Aide-de-Camp, Captain Tudor, Her Majesty's 50th regiment, whom I particularly beg to recommend to your Excellency.

The enemy's loss was most severe, but, from the action closing at nightfall, many of his killed and wounded were carried off during the night, and it is difficult to form a correct estimate of his loss; all his wounded found on the field were brought into camp this morning, and are under medical treatment.

Owing to the strength of the enemy's position, and the number of his guns, I regret to say that our loss has also been severe.

My best thanks are due to all the troops employed on this occasion, for their unflinching steadiness under a heavy cannonade, and the conspicuous gallantry with which they stormed the enemy's strong position. A portion of the 1st cavalry brigade, under Brigadier Campbell, K. H. accompanied the force as far as the ground would admit, but I regret that an opportunity was not afforded for actively employing them.

Brevet Major Mainwaring, and Captain C. Mainwaring, Sub-Assistant Commissaries-General, merit my thanks, for the assistance they rendered me as extra aides-de-camp.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

JOHN GREY, Major-General,
Commanding left wing, army of Gwalior.

Return of Casualties in the left wing, army of Gwalior, under the command of Major-General J. Grey, C.B., in action near Punniar, on the 29th December 1843.

Camp, Punniar, Dec. 30, 1843.

Staff, 1 European officer, wounded.

1st and 3d troops, 3d brigade, horse artillery, 1 rank and file and 1 horse killed.

1st company, sappers and miners, 3 rank and file wounded.

8th light cavalry, 1 rank and file and 2 horses killed, and 3 rank and file wounded.

8th irregular cavalry, 1 rank and file, 3 horses wounded, and 4 horses killed.

Her Majesty's 3d Buffs, 1 European officer, 4 sergeants, and 6 rank and file, and 1 horse killed, and 3 European officers, 2 sergeants, and 56 rank and file wounded.

Her Majesty's 50th regiment, 1 European officer, 8 rank and file killed; and 1 European officer, and 3 sergeants, 1 drummer, and 28 rank and file wounded.

39th Native Infantry.—1 havildar and 12 rank and file killed; and 2 European and 3 native officers, and 5 havildars, and 39 rank and file wounded.

50th Regiment Native Infantry, 3 rank and file wounded.

51st Regiment Native Infantry.—1 rank and file wounded.

58th Regiment Native Infantry.—1 rank and file wounded.

Sippree Contingent, 2 havildars, and 24 rank and file wounded.

Her Majesty's 3d Buffs.—Captain Stewart killed.

Her Majesty's 50th Regiment.—Captain Cobban killed.

51st Regiment Native Infantry. — Brigadier Yates, severely wounded.

Her Majesty's 50th Regiment.—Acting Brigadier Anderson, severely wounded.

39th Regiment Native Infantry.—Brevet Major Earle, ditto.

Her Majesty's 3d Buffs.—Captain Magrath, ditto.

39th Regiment Native Infantry.—Brevet Captain Fullarton, ditto.

Her Majesty's 3d Buffs.—Lieutenant Dorehill, right side of chest by a jinjall ball.

Her Majesty's 3d Buffs.—Ensign Swetenham, severely wounded.

J. R. LUMLEY, Major-General,
Adjutant-General of the army.