

*Amended Return of Officers who were wounded  
at the Battle of Inkerman.*

*Camp before Sebastopol, February 19, 1855.*

WOUNDED.

*5th November, 1854.*

55TH REGIMENT OF FOOT.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet-Colonel Charles Warren, C.B., severely.

Major and Brevet-Lieutenant-Colonel H. C. B. Daubeney, slightly.

J. B. BUCKNALL ESTCOURT,  
Adjutant-General.

*Admiralty, March 29, 1855.*

THE following Despatch and Enclosure were received at the Admiralty on the 15th January last.

GALLANT REPULSE OF THE ENEMY FROM  
EUPATORIA, IN NOVEMBER LAST.

*Britannia, in the Archipelago,  
December 30, 1854.*

SIR,

I BEG you will lay before the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty the accompanying letter, sent to me some time since, by Captain Brock, from Eupatoria, detailing the gallant repulse of a large body of the enemy by the force under his orders.

I have, &c.,

J. W. D. DUNDAS,  
Vice-Admiral.

*To the Secretary of the Admiralty,  
&c. &c. &c.*

Enclosure.

*Eupatoria, November 15, 1854.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to inform you, that, encouraged by the catastrophe\* mentioned in my other letter of this day's date, and our rockets having been blown down, a large body of the enemy's cavalry, between seven and eight thousand, supported by sixteen guns of horse artillery, made an attack on us at 3.45 P.M.

They planted their guns (under cover of the mills) at about a thousand yards, in front of our upper rocket battery, where we had two rockets, one 12-pounder howitzer, and an 18-pounder iron carronade, procured from a merchant ship.

They commenced a heavy fire of shot and shell, and with sufficiently good practice to fall very thick around us, and many shot lodged, and several shell exploded, in the parapet of the redoubt. Their fire was returned with great spirit on our side, by the two rocket batteries, the upper one commanded by Lieutenant Lambert, of the Spiteful, and Mr. Lake, midshipman of the Leander; Lieutenant Hood, of the Arethusa, attended the lower battery, with Mr. Mitchell, mate of the Leander, where were two 12-pounder howitzers, and one 18-pounder merchant ship's guns, and three rockets, one 24-pounder, and two 12-pounders.

Having no marines and but few seamen, I reinforced both batteries with fifty Arab troops, who, however, as the enemy did not approach within musket shot, had no opportunity of doing anything, though, from their behaviour under fire, they seemed to promise well. The fire was kept up with animation on both sides for nearly an hour, without any casualties amongst us, except one man's thumb slightly wounded; although it seemed wonderful that no one was struck by the shot and shell, which flew pretty thickly. The enemy's cavalry was drawn up in dense masses in the rear and on each flank of their artillery, and, though an occasional shot or rocket fell amongst them and disturbed their formation, they seemed to be in excellent order. Both our officers and men seemed animated with the highest spirit, and, considering the immensely superior force on the enemy's side, their firmness merited my warmest approbation. My attention was devoted to the upper battery, being nearest the enemy, and whence I could best observe his movements. Some of our rockets were beautifully directed by Lamb,\* gunner's mate of the Arethusa, and Ball, quartermaster of the Leander, and appeared to fall amongst the horse artillery, and I have no doubt contributed to hasten their retreat, which they did at about 4.40.

I may add that the officers and men did their duty with alacrity, and seemed anxious to have an opportunity of meeting the enemy. I have particularly to call your attention to the steady and cool conduct of Lieutenant Hood, who rode over the field this morning, after the action, and ascertained that our shot and rockets were well directed, and appeared to fall exactly in the right place; he has recovered many of our shot at a time when we most need them. I have likewise great satisfaction in bringing before your notice the zeal and intelligence of Mr. Brine, mate of the Leander, in charge of two 18-pounder merchant ship's guns, at the Hospital post, and he has reported to me the good conduct of James Montgomery, leading seaman of Her Majesty's ship Leander; I beg to recommend him to your favourable consideration. The Tartars say the Russians lost many men, as they saw many saddles vacant.

I have great pleasure in particularizing the conduct of Mr. Hamilton, senior lieutenant of the Leander, from whom I have received the most efficient assistance throughout these trying times to both officers and men, as well as that of Messrs. Irvine, mate of the Megæra, Dupuis, midshipman of the Leander, Phillips, master's-assistant of the Megæra, who has acted as my aide-de-camp, Doctor Blake, assistant-surgeon of the Leander, and the Rev. S. Robson, of the same ship, whose manifold services in the field, as well as his own duties, have merited great praise. Assistant-Commissary-General Gardiner I have found a most able assistant in everything connected with his duty. I respectfully trust that, in the defence of this town that you have done me the honour to entrust me with, I have, as far as my limited means will allow, carried your wishes into effect.

I have, &c.,

SAUMAREZ BROCK,  
Captain, R N., Commanding the Forces.

*Vice-Admiral J. W. D. Dundas, C.B.,  
Commander-in-Chief.*

\* Damages done by gale of November 14.

\* Lamb promoted in vacancy caused by death of Gunner of Banshee.