

the gun, and blew off the head of the sepoy, in a red jacket with an English medal and two clasps who served it. I have no doubt that this good shot, one of the many good shots made under fire by Lieutenant Strutt, whom I beg to recommend to your Excellency as a promising artillery officer, made the sepoys reflect, that many such casualties might thin their numbers during the siege, but I think that the fall of Rathghur and preparations for an investment also intimidated them.

I have observed that nothing alarms the rebels more than a move to cut off their retreat.

I have the honor to inclose a list of artillery taken in the fort, and of casualties which I am happy to say are light.

I sent off immediately Captain Hare with half a troop of Horse-Artillery, a troop of Her Majesty's 14th Light Dragoons under Captain Need, and a troop of the Hyderabad Contingent in pursuit of the rebels by a route which from information I had received, I thought would enable him to cut into their line of retreat; they had as I supposed made a round to the south, and then turned northwards towards Shaghur.

Captain Hare came up with the rear of the rebels as they had just crossed the river Beas, at the village of Bear. The river was not practicable for guns, Captain Hare therefore sent the troop of Her Majesty's 14th Light Dragoons under Captain Need and the Hyderabad Cavalry across the river after the enemy; they cut up 70 or 100 of them, of whom the greater part were mutineers of the 52nd and other native regiments, they had all abundance of ammunition and copper caps. Captain Hare speaks highly of the conduct on this occasion of Captain Need and his troop; Captain Hare describes him as a good and dashing officer; he killed with his own hands five of the rebels, of whom three were sepoys, and pursued with his gallant troop the rebels till dark. I beg to recommend Captain Need to your Excellency, as well as Captain Hare for his intelligence and activity in pursuing and coming up with the enemy.

I have, &c.

HUGH ROSE, Major-General,
Commanding Central India Field Force.

No. 7.

Return of Casualties of the Second Brigade Central Indian Field Force, during the attack on the fort of Garakota, on the 10th and 11th instant.

Camp Saugor, February 22, 1858.

1st Troop Horse Artillery,

Trumpeter Pereira, wounded severely, shot through left thigh.

Reserve Artillery.

Gunner Hayes, wounded severely, shot through right arm.

Gunner Mahoney, wounded severely, shot through left leg.

3rd Battalion European Regiment.

Private W. Walsh, wounded, left fore-arm shattered by the accidental discharge of his rifle.

Total, 4 wounded.

1 horse of the Reserve Artillery slightly wounded.

H. H. A. WOOD, Captain,
Assistant Adjutant-General, Central India Field Force.

No. 8.

REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY.

Return of Ordnance and other warlike stores captured in the fort of Garakota.

Camp Saugor, February 15, 1858.

1. Brass gun, native, 6 feet 10 inches, 12-pounder.
2. Brass gun, native, 4 feet 10½ inches, 6-pounder.
3. Iron gun, native, 8 feet, 6-pounder.
4. Iron gun, native, 3 feet 11½ inches, 6-pounder.
5. Iron gun, native, 5 feet 4½ inches, 4-pounder.
6. Iron gun, native, 3 feet 6 inches, 2-pounder.
7. Iron gun, native, 2 feet 8¾ inches, 1-pounder.
8. Iron gun, native, 3 feet 1 inch, 1-pounder.
9. Iron gun, native, 3 feet 3 inches, 2-pounder.
10. Iron gun, native, 2 feet 2 inches, 1½-pounder.
11. Iron gun, native, 2 feet 9½ inches, 1-pounder.
12. Iron gun, native, 3 feet 7 inches, ¾-pounder.
13. Brass gun, native, 2 feet 2 inches, ½-pounder.

No. 1 is of European pattern.

Total of ordnance captured, 13 pieces; of these, the first eight were in position on the works, mounted on carriages, and complete with small stores. The boxes partly filled with cartridges, round shot, and grape.

The last five were in position in the entrenched camp, mounted on carriages, and complete with ammunition, and small stores.

9 muskets.

7 ball pieces.

22 matchlocks.

9 swords.

Also taken in the fort, about 4000 lbs. of powder; a large number of solid shot; a large number of made-up cartridges; a few buff belts and pouches; some musketry, ball cartridges; two gun-carriages in course of construction; a quantity of saltpetre and sulphur; a quantity of musket and matchlock balls.

T. J. HAGGARD, Lieutenant,
Commissary of Ordnance Central Indian Field Force.

AT the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 7th day of May, 1858,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS, by the four hundred and tenth section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," it is enacted, that upon the completion of any new lighthouse, buoy or beacon, Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, fix such dues in respect thereof, to be paid by the master or owner of any ship which passes the same, or derives benefit therefrom, as Her Majesty may deem reasonable; and may, from time to time, alter the amount thereof; and that such dues shall be paid and collected in the same manner, by the same means, and subject to the same conditions, in, by, and subject to which the Light Dues authorized to be levied by the said Act are paid and collected;

And whereas the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses are erecting, and about to light, certain new lighthouses, at the undermentioned places; viz.:

- 1st. At Bressay, near Lerwick, Shetland Islands.
- 2nd. At Cantick Head, Orkney Islands.