

4. At twenty minutes past eight the square advanced, and at half-past eight the order was given to charge. The front of the square and the guns advanced at the double till within five yards of a steep nullah, the right half battery was then brought into action on the right of the Black Watch, the left half battery filling up the angle of the square between the half battalions of the 42nd Regiment.

5. Firing was at once commenced, but the wind being from the north the smoke from the guns and rifles prevented us, in a great measure, from seeing the enemy who appeared to charge the right half battery in large force which we seemed to be able easily to keep in check, but shortly afterwards a large body of the enemy charged our right flank and drove the whole force back to the left rear.

6. At this time it is with deep regret that I have to report that Lieutenants Almack, Houston Stewart, and Montrésor, as also seven men, were killed while gallantly defending their guns. Lieutenant Conybeare also received a heavy blow from a club at the same time. After falling back about 200 yards the force formed up, and advancing, re-captured the guns which were immediately again placed in action. The enemy then retreated apparently completely routed and the force proceeded down the right edge of a nullah to the wells at Temanhib, where we remained for dinner, returning to the zeriba in the evening.

7. All the wounded were placed under medical care, the dead being buried with funeral rites by the Reverend C. J. Todd, M.A., General Sir Gerald Graham, General Davis, and many officers and soldiers of the force attending. The brigade bivouacked at the zeriba for the night.

8. Next morning Lieutenants E. C. Moore and J. Brant joined in place of Lieutenants Almack and Montrésor.

A reconnaissance in force was made, the magazines of the enemy were destroyed, and the village burnt, the troops remaining at the hills of Temanhib for dinner, returning to the first zeriba in the evening, and to Suakin on the following day.

9. Lieutenant Graham, who acted as my second in command, commanded the right half battery, and rendered me able assistance. He also acted in the same capacity at the Battle of El Teb.

I cannot represent the conduct of this officer too highly on both these occasions.

10. I wish specially to bring to your notice the conduct of Mr. Edward Tyndale Biscoe and Mr. Edward Matson Hewett, midshipmen of the "Euryalus," who, in a critical moment, when three lieutenants were killed, took command of the sub-divisions, and acted with great coolness and gallantry. I consider these young officers showed a readiness of resource in a moment of danger which I trust may receive some mark of your approval.

11. The Reverend C. J. Todd, M.A., accompanied the force; and I consider that the gallantry shown by him in action, when unarmed, and his kindness to the wounded are beyond praise.

12. Doctor Gimlette acted as Medical Officer to the force at both actions. I have already expressed my opinion of this officer's conduct in the first engagement, and need only now say that it was equally meritorious on the second occasion.

I have, &c.,

E. ROLFE, Commander, R.N.
Rear-Admiral Sir W. N. W. Hewett,
K.C.B., K.C.S.I., V.C., Com-
mander-in-Chief.

Naval Brigade Killed and Wounded.

KILLED.

"Euryalus," W. H. H. Montrésor, Lieutenant.
"Briton," W. B. Almack, Lieutenant.
"Dryad," Houston Stewart, Lieutenant.
"Euryalus," John Strike, Torpedo Instructor.
"Euryalus," Thomas O'Brien, A.B.
"Euryalus," Benjamin Parrick, A.B.
"Euryalus," Richard Nicol, A.B.
"Euryalus," Harry Coward, A.B.
"Briton," James McLernan, A.B.
"Dryad," James L. Howarth, A.B.

WOUNDED.

"Hecla," C. J. M. Conybeare, Lieutenant.
"Euryalus," Joseph Chetwin, Coxswain, 2nd class, slightly (hand).
"Euryalus," Frank Freeman, Coxswain, 2nd class, dangerously, spear wound.
"Briton," William Wood, Gunner's Mate, bullet through thigh.
"Briton," Frederick Johnson, Armourer's Crew.
"Briton," John Cross, A.B.
"Sphinx," William G. Newlove, A.B.
"Hecla," William Buckett, A.B.

"Euryalus," Suakin, March 19, 1884.

SUBMITTED for information, while deeply regretting the loss the Naval Brigade sustained, especially in Lieutenants Almack, Houston Stewart, and Montrésor, by whose death the Navy have lost the services of three most promising officers, I have great pleasure in forwarding the accompanying report from Commander Rolfe of my flagship, who was in command of the Brigade, and would most strongly bring that officer's name for the very favourable consideration of their Lordships; also that of my Flag Lieutenant, W. H. B. Graham; the other officers mentioned in the Despatch appear to well deserve their Lordships consideration.

Captain Baldwin, commanding the Royal Marines on board the "Euryalus," also did good service as Adjutant of the Marine Battalion.

W. HEWETT, Rear-Admiral.

The Secretary of the Admiralty.

Whitehall, April 5, 1884.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to grant unto Charles Luxmoore, of Ashbrook Hall, in the parish of Church Minshull, in the county palatine of Chester, Esquire, late Captain 37th (North Hampshire) Regiment of Foot, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with an injunction contained in the last will and testament of his maternal uncle Henry Brooke, late of Church Minshull aforesaid, Esquire, deceased, take, use, and bear the surname of Brooke in addition to and after that of Luxmoore, and that he and they may bear the arms of Brooke quarterly with those of Luxmoore; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And further to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms.