

her ancestors being imported by Col. Powell more than fifty years ago. Louan 21st, by Duke of Airdrie, made the third highest price, viz., 720 guineas. These are very encouraging figures, and indicate that the short-horn is taking up as prominent a position in the States as here."—*The Field*, August 13th, 1870.

"High-bred shapely stock, of whatever sort, cattle, pig, sheep, or farm-horses, must henceforth be the mainstay of the farmer's success. Our mission on this island is beyond a doubt Breeding. Only fancy, just a few minutes since I met at the railway station a gentleman who went boldly into Bates's best blood some years since, when sage ones, who now are enthusiastic upon the subject as any, only shook the wary head at what were deemed the terrific Tutworth prices. He has had several most remunerative draft sales, as he was never backward to pay his five hundred for a bull-calf of the Wetherby "blue blood," and his judgment is valued by brother breeders, who jump consequently at the chance of a suckling of his rearing. We were speaking of a gentleman who had just had a rare opportunity of buying in a bunch some good old blood, and on my remarking that all he had to do now was to lay out five hundred in a bull, the immediate reply was, "Five hundred won't do, it must be a thousand now!" This sounds appalling, but it is only consistent with what the Australian and Canadian buyers said at Oxford last year—"You call these high prices—they will be doubled before long," and yet two thousand guineas were refused in that yard for "Lady Fragrant" by Mr. Booth. Over eight hundred guineas have just been paid for a bull-calf by "the white Seventh Duke." *White*, mark ye! and one of the most fashionable breeders is now on the look-out for a white bull, if he can get one to please as regards both shape and lineage. *White!* how long and successfully have a horde of stupid outsiders decried this characteristic colour of the purest shorthorn, although they cannot show them to be more delicate (the only excuse they could have invented), and although Culshaw has over and over again declared that his beauties have been white as a rule, witness "Vestris III.," his celebrated Paris cow and her Warwick daughter "Fidelity," &c., &c.

It is well known, too, that from a white parent is born usually the richest roan, over which the common place cowherd will rub his hands as he graciously informs you that that's "*his* colour," while in the same breath he will do all he can to dissuade his over-confiding employer not to risk a shilling on those delicate white ones."—*Land and Water*, February 25th, 1871.

### SPORT IN PURNEAH, 1871.

HAVING received an invite from that hospitable and well-known sportsman G. W. S. to join the annual shooting party, given by himself and brother, I found myself with R. P. J. and H. W. S. at Sahebgunge at 11 P. M., the 2nd of last April. Our first move was to support exhausted nature at the refreshment-room, and then to betake ourselves to the dāk bungalow, where after a peg and a pipe, we slept as well as the musquitoes allowed us. Next morning found us up betimes, and busy enough we were, getting our traps on board the steamer by which we left for Carragolah, where our host met us, and after seeing all the heavy traps packed and started on elephants, away we went in two

dog-carts for D — r. Arriving there about 5 P. M., we found H. C. and J. H. G. waiting for us, and having had some iced beer and soda, made a fresh start for our camp on elephants, the ground being too rough for wheels, and reached G—r factory about 7 o'clock, where we expected to find the tents; and glad we were to see them pitched on the bank of the Koosey which we crossed in a boat, and were welcomed, on landing, by J. L. S. who informed us dinner was all ready, and we being ditto, lost no time in getting to the mess tent and partaking of a dinner, such as we little expected. All being pretty tired and wanting to be up early next morning to get guns ready &c, we turned in about 11 o'clock, little expecting to be busy, holding on to our tents in a couple of hours' time, which happened as a heavy storm that was brewing all the evening broke about 1 o'clock, and the crash of thunder and blinding lightning soon shewed all that a real nor-wester was on us and all hands were hard at work, making things as secure as possible. Indeed many a laugh was heard at the ludicrous sights that were seen during the flashes, every one doing their best to keep things dry and prevent their tents blowing over; however, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts of the brothers S., away went their tent. As usually occurs, the storm ended as suddenly as it burst, and after repairing damages and making things as snug as possible, all were again in the arms of "Murphy" and slept soundly till awoke by our bearers long after sunrise. Soon all were partaking of a substantial *chota haziree* and making arrangements for the day's work; while the guns and ammunition were being got ready, up came the elephants, and a fine sight they were, 35 standing in line. Seven carrying howdahs, into which our Captain (J. L. S.) hurried us with as little delay as possible, and at 8 o'clock a move was made towards some jungle about a mile from camp, where about a fortnight before, four tigers had been killed by another party, and a nice patch it was of nurkut and kharrai which had been recently burned. The line beat steadily on, and the edge of the cover was almost reached when a fine tigress broke, at which J. L. S. and R. P. J. fired, as also did J. H. G., but on she went, evidently with the intention of out-flanking us, but H. C. on a fast elephant, seeing her dodge, pushed on and giving her the contents of a No. 12, she turned and went on in front of the line, and we pressing forward eventually hemmed her in; here G. W. S. got a snap shot which sent her down the line, trying to double back, but I. J. W., R. P. J. and H. W. S. cooled her pluck and forced her ahead. She was next viewed crossing a pool of water, when G. W. S. gave her a reminder behind the shoulder, causing her to pull up in some bushes, when the whole line coming up soon dislodged her and G. W. S. was again lucky; this time bringing her down and his next shot finished her. After waiting a few minutes to admire the beast, the Captain was down with his tape and announced the length to be 9 feet 4 inches, after which she was padded and sent to camp. We then beat some likely covers, but saw nothing but buffaloes, deer and pig, some of

which we bagged. About 1 p. m., tracks were made for a village, where we purposed having tiffin, but hearing of a tiger having just attacked some cows close by, lunch was forgotten for the time, and taking the cowherd on one of the pads, away we went for a patch of jungle where the tiger was said to be, and in a short time were beating along a nullah with nice grass jungle on both sides. Presently "bang" "bang" was heard to the right, proclaiming a tiger afoot, at which H. C. and H. W. S. had fired, and before those to the left could wheel and get up, H. C., H. W. S. and J. H. G. polished off a fine young tiger, measuring 7ft. 10in., as he charged gamely down on them. It being now close on 3 o'clock, we had a hurried tiffin and beat on towards camp, but saw nothing except deer, pig and partridge, which gave some nice shooting, and got back to camp at 6 o'clock, all well satisfied with such a good beginning: our total bag being two tigers, thirteen deer, four pig and four partridge, three buffaloes having got off severely wounded. Our next day's beat commencing some distance from camp, we made rather an early start on pads and got into our howdahs about 9 o'clock when no time was lost, as we heard that two tigers were constantly seen about and generally remained in some heavy tree jungle close by; line was soon formed at the northern extremity, H. C. going to the southern as *Naká*. The cover was only about half-a-mile long, but our progress was slow, and more than once had to bolt from bees, one of the mahauts getting badly stung; when about two-thirds through, H. S. caught light of stripes, sneaking out to the right, and turned him with a well-directed bullet across the line, when J. L. S. gave him a hot one, and two from R. P. J. knocked him over, spined, under a tree where he roared madly at each elephant, as they came up, until J. H. G. put an end to its sufferings by a ball in the neck. She turned out to be a fine tigress, measuring 9ft. 4in. After padding her, we beat some other heavy *Cuthálle*, (short tree jungle) but though we started numbers of pig and deer, bagged little or nothing owing to the dense jungle which gave us enough to do to get through. Had tiffin at 2 o'clock over which no time was lost, and got away again about 3 o'clock for some dhárs, about three miles to the east. On entering which a fine buffalo was started, who got severely peppered, but got away; and not wishing to lose time, we hastened on in a northerly direction. After beating through heavy nurkut for about a mile, J. L. S. came up on a tiger, but he disappeared before a shot could be fired, and though we beat the jungle thoroughly, saw no sign of him. We now separated into two parties, determined not to leave a spot unbeaten, and proceeded most carefully, but the sun was almost down, and the last of the cover beaten, when H. S. and J. H. G. put up a fine tiger that charged down on H. C. and J. L. S., when he found little or no cover ahead to give a chance of escaping through. Both fired almost simultaneously, and over he went, but was up in a second, and again charged viciously; J. L. S. finishing him off, when not more than a couple of yards from his elephant.

All were soon assembled round, viewing the handsome beast. He proved to be a heavy-built, thick-set tiger, with little or no fat but plenty of muscle. He disappointed us in his length, only measuring 10ft. 3½in. It being now after 5 o'clock, and our camp some three miles distant, we made our way home on pads with all haste, well satisfied with our day's sport, which consisted of two tigers, one deer and three pigs, besides a few partridge.

The 6th saw all hands busy at daylight, breaking camp, which the servants being still new to, was rather slow work. A string of some 50 carts and about a dozen elephants laden with tents, &c., were at last started, and we got away about 9 o'clock. Press of business unfortunately compelled J. H. G. to leave us, which all regretted; he being an old hand who seldom fired without leaving his mark. Some two hours were spent beating about in nice grass jungle, when G. W. S. spotted a tiger, leaving the jungle on the extreme left of the line. He fired and turned her back, when he gave "Tallyho" and pushed on to head her; the line steadily advanced and beat up to almost the edge of the cover, when out-charged the tiger, and in spite of I. W.'s firing, broke through and went back, all following as fast as possible; H. C. keeping along the edge of an open patch to the left, in case she tried to break out, but she kept ahead, the waving of the long grass shewing us plainly where to follow. Presently H. S. got a shot and a sharp roar told of a wound, but still no halt until we got her between us and the bed of an old nullah. Thus checked she crouched, J. L. S. first seeing her fired and pushed on, thinking she was done for, when with a magnificent spring, she got on the head of his Duntar elephant, biting the ear severely and holding on till fairly beaten off by the mahaut who, behaving in the most plucky manner, gave three such telling blows on the head, as soon compelled the tiger to drop off, when the nearest elephant was immediately seized by the tail, but J. L. S., who for a moment was helpless, being knocked back in his howdah, quickly finished her off with a couple of bullets. She turned out to be a tigress only 8 feet 10 in.; strange to say, she left one of her claws sticking in the Duntar's trunk. After padding her, we beat towards G—a where we purposed camping, and where five tigers were bagged last year. The memorable A a dhâr proved blank, except for some buffaloes, one of which was bowled over by R. J. and J. W. Another dhâr was almost gone through, when G. W. S., who was a good way ahead to the left, spied a tiger, but could not fire on account of the advancing line. Failing to outflank us, the tiger went ahead, and all eagerly pressing on, actually over-ran the game which was next seen, some three hundred yards behind us, making for the dhâr. To turn and pursue was of course the idea of all except our Captain, who appeared awfully disgusted at the tiger having been passed over, and made us beat back steadily; G. W. S. being sent *Nâka* to the right and H. S. to the left, but though fully satisfied, that he never crossed the dhâr, having beat to beyond the *Nâka*, we saw nothing.

It getting now late, we had a hurried tiffin ; our Captain and G. W. S., who knew the ground well, promising to shew us the tiger still in the dhâr, and so they did ; as after cautiously beating the dhâr for about 2 miles, he broke almost under the feet of R. P. J.'s elephant, who had a snap shot but missed, and I. W. following suit, and doing no damage. J. L. S. knocked her over with one bullet through the neck from his No. 16, when passing him at full speed. She was a fine young tigress, measuring 8 feet 6 inches. We continued beating towards our tents which we could see some 3 miles distant, and had some nice shooting at deer, pigs and partridge.

On reaching camp we found an old friend Dr. B., just arrived from Carragolah, but as he had pushed on fast, was ahead of his traps, so though he frequently heard the firing during the day, was unable to join us, having no howdah or guns, &c., which as he assured us was most tantalizing. Another guest arrived about 1 o'clock next morning, in the shape of G. C. S. who, after knocking up our host and getting some grub, thought he would go, see I. W. who was an old friend, and have a chat, but the friend evidently preferred sleep, as when awoke, he simply said, "Hulloa S., is that you, what's the time, 2 o'clock ? By Jove ! go to bed man," and turning over was asleep again in no time. So poor S. had to go and look for a bed in spite of his inclination to have a jaw.

On the 7th, while at *chota haziree*, we got the *khubber* of rhinoceros being seen not far off, so got away about 8 o'clock, determined to get one if possible, but though we saw the tracks of both rhinoceros and tiger, saw no large game except buffaloes, two of which got away well peppered ; and after a long day's work we got back to camp at 7 o'clock, with only 11 deer, 1 pig, 3 partridge and a snipe.

The 8th found us again beating the D—pore jungles where we found the tracks of the rhinoceros yesterday, the camp going on to B—pore. The number of deer and pigs we started was really wonderful, but the orders being to fire at only rhinoceros, tiger or big buffaloes, not a trigger was pulled until near 11 o'clock when a fine bull-buffalo broke in front of H. C., and though hit by him and several others, went on as if nothing had happened, until a 3-oz. ball from I. W. at about 150 yards and a pill from G. W. S. out of the "Howitzer" (a No. 5 polygrooved rifle, brought up by Dr. B. for large game, something like Sir S. Baker's "Baby,") brought him fairly to bay. There he stood, a picture of brute force, willing and anxious to fight, but evidently bothered by the amount of lead in him, and while making up his mind, the entire line kept blazing at him. This soon brought him down, when a volley from Dr. B.'s battery into his head finished him. Some little time being spent in cutting off the head and securing the marrow-bones, we again formed line and continued steadily beating through cover that frequently bid the elephants and prevented our seeing any thing beyond a few paces round us. Suddenly the cry of "rhino" was heard and two shots on the left, followed by

“bang” “bang” along the line, shewed that not only was the long-expected game afoot, but most probably wounded. Rhino, finding himself so warmly greeted, charged down the line with the intention of breaking through or swimming the river Koosey to our right, when the dense jungles of Chuppairee would most likely give him a safe retreat; but when about 100 yards from the bank, I. W. gave him two 3-oz. pills from his Reilly and two more from a Westly Richard's No. 11 from G. W. S., quickly followed by the No. 5, with 7 drachms of powder, made him give up the idea, and sent him right ahead, when he was immediately lost sight of in the heavy cover. Indeed the jungle was so dense, that even buffaloes could not be seen until almost under the elephant, at this critical time, when no one thought of anything but the rhinoceros, a fine buffalo charged right at R. P. J. who, though he knew 'twas strictly against orders, had nothing for it but to fire and save his elephant from the charge of the infuriated beast. Indeed he was considerably relieved, when after two shots, he saw the bull turn and follow the rest of the herd. We now formed line and went steadily on, knowing the rhino must be ahead, but a long distance was gone over, before we were gladdened by finding his tracks, “and strange to say no blood,” which appeared incredible after the warm reception he had been met with, and as some of this party had seen blood flowing from several wounds. I. W. was now sent on as *Naka*, and pushing on as fast as possible, kept about 300 yards ahead of the line; frequently were the delays and interruptions to our progress, owing to the nature of the ground and the vast quantities of game on foot all round us, but at last a faint “Tallyho” from I. W. proved he had viewed the quarry, and the line pressing on soon, saw the rhino about 800 yards ahead, approaching the river which he soon reached, and was then fairly seen by all crossing the sand, but soon again disappeared and was next viewed ascending the opposite bank, having swam the river; and a magnificent monster he looked, the water making him shine like polished ebony. He now headed for H—e, and was soon again lost sight of in the heavy jungle. All crossed the river lower down without accident, and the line being extended as much as possible, we eagerly pressed on at a pace that must have been anything but pleasant, for those on rough elephants, our prospects of success now looked blank, as the cover was almost gone through, and an extensive plain ahead convinced us, our friend had not gone in that direction: All now were anxiously looking on every side; at last G. W. S. saw what he fancied was the rhinoceros, but could not be certain. However, I. W., who had Binoculars with him, soon set all doubts at rest, and away went all once more; and not long after, the monster furiously charged down on H. S. who, equal to the occasion, with admirable precision, planted two bullets close to his eyes, which turned him down the line, when a well-delivered ball from H. C. in the ruce brought him down, and the rest quickly coming up soon rendered his again rising impossible. All now

crowded round the dying animal who, though unable to rise, shewed by the twitching of his tube-like ears and pigish eyes, that life was not yet extinct. Large as he was and covered as it were with plates of armour, he lay a proof of what modern artillery could accomplish; several shots were now fired to put him out of pain, but one from the "Howitzer," behind the ear, finished him, the head actually bounding off the ground by the force of the concussion, and there he lay, a trophy, that well repaid all our hard work.

The distance from where we first started him could not have been less than 5 miles. It being now near 3 o'clock, we had a hurried tiffin; after which J. L. S., I. W. and H. S. set to work to skin the rhino, and a tough job of it they had, as though assisted by some dozen knives, the sun was down before they finished the Herculean task. Indeed some idea may be formed of the size of the beast from the fact of the skin with the head and legs, taking over 35 men to put it on a cart.\* Before skinning, the following measurements were taken:—

	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Inches.</i>
Length from nose to tip of tail ...	14	0
Height at shoulder ... ..	6	5
Girth round chest ... ..	10	9
Circumference of fore-arm ...	3	6
Ditto     ,, foot ... ..	2	5
Ditto     ,, base of horn ...	1	11
Height     ,, horn ... ..	0	9

It being now dark, we had some difficulty in getting to camp, having to cross a river; however, we got there all safe about 8 o'clock.

Sunday the 9th we remained in camp, which was pitched in a picturesque and shady tope of mangoe trees close to the river, and the day was spent in writing letters, cleaning guns, making cartridges, &c. The rhinoceros' skin was brought in on a cart, pulled by about 50 natives, towards evening, and made over to a Taxidermist (that Dr. A. of the Indian Museum had sent up to get some specimens) and he was soon hard at work on the enormous mass which being a good inch thick was no easy job. We were very fortunate in getting the rhinoceros without any accident, as the last one killed in this district made good his charge after receiving four bullets, and before he was polished off, wounded two elephants so severely that one died in a few hours, and the other, a large tusker, in less than a month.

The 10th saw all up early, none looking the worse for the day's rest, as another rhinoceros was said to be about, we determined to try the D—pore jungles once more. G. C. S. had to return to his duties in Purneah much to his disgust, so we were again reduced to our original number of seven. We commenced beating about 9 o'clock, as we had some distance to go, to get to the ground, but though we

\* When cured, it took 20 men to put the skin on board the steamer at Carragola.

passed through some likely places, nothing was seen but buffalo which we let alone. At length H. S., who was some distance from the line to the right, spied a tiger sneaking out a long way off. He immediately held up his hat, and knowing what he meant, all hurried on, he pushing forward to head the tiger. We fired the jungle frequently as we advanced, to prevent the chance of game doubling back, and beat on towards a dhâr that made a break across the jungle. The number of deer we started was innumerable, but of course they went by unheeded. On reaching the dhâr, Dr. B. saw the grass move before him, but thought 'twas only deer, however, J. L. S., who was on his left, saw enough to satisfy him, and crack went his rifle; a roar was the result, that soon brought I. W. and others close up, in the hopes of getting a shot, but they came too late, as the one ball had done the trick, and a fine tigress of 9 ft. lay dead before us, being the second that our Captain had killed with a single ball. But you seldom will find a better shot, or so keen an eye as his, and long may he have them! After padding the tigress, we continued our beat, but put up nothing except buffaloe and deer. Indeed the numbers of the former, we saw was extraordinary, often, when different herds met, there being as many as 300 afoot, and all hopes of rhino and tiger having been given up, we had frequent shots at some of the largest but dropped none, as the firing was at long ranges. At last we got pretty close to one herd, when one of the party, being anxious to try his heavy battery, was allowed all the firing, each one anxiously watching the result, which was not exactly what we expected, as one after the other, his three heavy rifles, were levelled and the triggers pulled, but no report followed the drop of the hammers, and the entire lot got off with little or no damage, as by the time, we thought of firing, they were almost out of range. Our friend certainly looked disgusted, but took our chaff most good-humouredly, saying, "We should see what they could do another time," but faith when we got down for tiffin, his gun-cleaner, who always accompanied him in his howdah, got something that made him do his work better for the future. We got nothing more with the exception of 2 florican and a few deer and pig, getting to camp at 6-30. On skinning the tigress, four fully-formed cubs were found. We moved camp next day to D——e, and beat four or five nice strips of woody jungle where tigers were said to be, but found none; and 3 o'clock found us sitting down to tiffin in a hut at B——pore village, not a shot having been fired at anything except deer. Just as we were falling to, up came A. W. from Purneah, and glad he looked to find us so well employed, as he had been hunting us since to 5 A. M., and though his elephant was an easy mover, 8 hours with only one bottle of Bass' and half a Sandwich is long enough to be in a howdah, at least he thought so. After the usual delay, we beat on our way towards camp, but only got 10 deer and a few partridge.



We had great difficulty in finding our tents, which we at last discovered in the midst of a wood, and were soon enjoying iced simkin, as disappointment and a warm day had made us uncommonly dry. The 12th and 13th were unfortunately blank days, as far as tigers were concerned, though we now were encamped near B—a factory, where last year 8 were killed, but then the country was much drier. On the 14th we moved on to G—ger, but though we beat some ground patches of nurkut, 2 o'clock saw us without having bagged anything but a few deer. We now crossed the Koosey and had tiffin, after which we beat some heavy jungle near N—h factory, where a tigress and two cubs were reported to be; and the frequent signs, given by our elephants, let us soon know that some game was moving ahead, but nothing was seen until the cover was almost passed through, when out bolted a fine 4 ft. cub, at which R. P. J. and A. W. fired, but fortunately did no damage, and J. L. S., I. W. and H. S., jumping down with their blankets, had an exciting chase. One of the mahauts saw the beggar squat under a bush and throwing his blanket over him soon had him secured, when the others coming up, quickly got him into in a bag and put on one of the pads, but he kicked up such a row, that I believe the elephant thought the devil was on his back and bolted for some distance. We now turned our attention to the other cub and mother, and shortly found ourselves beating the same jungle, both were seen breaking out to the left by H. S. who fired, but whether he hit or not, we saw them no more, and it being now near 6 o'clock, bent our steps homeward, fully expecting to find the tigress and cub to-morrow, or next day. Did not get to camp till after 8 o'clock, all rather disappointed at our continued bad luck, the bag to-day only being 1 cub, 2 florican, 6 deer and 3 pig.

The 15th being a nasty cold raw morning, (it rained incessantly almost the entire night) with rain off and on, we thought of halting, but clearing up about 9 o'clock, we started for some jungle about 2 miles off, as a tiger was said to be there, but after beating some nurkut got nothing but a fine buck, which the Doctor shot. Being determined to get something, we crossed the river and made for where we lost the tigress and cub last evening, and when passing through the second time, J. L. S. got a shot at the old one, but with what result none could tell, as though we beat and re-beat the cover, she was never seen again. The cub was viewed more than once, but though men twice got down, he dodged us, and after waiting till almost dark, we had to give him up as a bad job. Had the jungle been dry enough to burn, there is no doubt both would have been ours. We did not get home till after 8 o'clock with only one deer. "What has become of our luck," "Who is the Jonas," was the cry for the next four days, as with the exception of one tiger on the 19th, that R. P. J. and G. W. S. got shots at, (but saw no more of the jungle being too heavy and wet) not a tiger did we see until the 19th, and it was not that we did not work for them, as we seldom got to camp before 9 o'clock. Indeed we

had great difficulty in getting home at all on the 19th, as thinking the tents were near the large village of B——nugger, we were making for there, but found the distance had been too great for the carts, so they stopped at B——chand. We got dinner that night about 10-30, and to add to our discomfort found our ice supply run out. A. W. left for Purneah. The 19th, our last day, saw us early at work, (determined to get sport at any price) breaking camp which we sent off to D——h, but as the Koosey and another large river had to be crossed, we did not calculate on the things arriving till about 3 o'clock.

We commenced beating with only five howdahs and fifteen pad elephants, as the Doctor and H. C. left us on the 18th, deeply regretted by all; both being good sportsmen and jolly companions. However, though our line was small, we had good hopes of success, as we found the jungle dry enough to burn, and all made use of their Vesuvians in firing it as occasion offered. We beat through H——e Tupra, and soon found signs of tiger, presently "bang" went the Captain, and as he seldom missed his mark, over-rolled a fine tigress "spined," and before many minutes, he gave her a second bullet and stopped her roaring. All crowded round hardly believing in our luck after so many days' blank, but there lay a fine tigress of 9ft. 2in. and no mistake; this pretty well convinced us that our not getting better sport for the last few days was principally owing to the wetness of the cover which, do all we could, would not burn. Firing the grass on all sides to prevent any game getting back, on we went and had not gone above a mile, when a large tiger broke in front of J. L. S., who quickly fired, but it being only a snap shot, he missed, and on stripes went shewing himself now and then. Both I. W. and H. S. got a couple of long shots, but whether they hit or not, did no damage and for a mile "Tom" led us a nice hunt. We at last marked him down in some heavy grass, and the line coming up steadily, we made sure of him, but were mistaken, as out he came with a roar and charged right between G. W. S. and our Captain, neither being able to fire till he passed, when the former gave him a hot one, as he again disappeared in the long grass. All having fairly seen him, he was pronounced to be a whopper, and our efforts were redoubled to get him. We again surrounded him, at least so all thought, but suddenly I. W. saw him stealing away some 60 yards ahead, and gave him such a crack of a 3-oz. ball in the side, that he soon stopped and lay down in some high grass. J. L. S. now pushed on and gave him two, which all thought finished him as he did not appear able to move. All now crowded round gazing with admiration on the savage and apparently helpless beast who lay madly roaring and biting his own leg; a howdah cushion was thrown to him which quickly was torn in pieces. After watching him for fully 10 minutes, to our astonishment with an awful roar he charged fair at the Captain's elephant which backed, but fortunately both R. P. J. & I. W. being all ready, fired simultaneously, and he fell

within 10 feet of the elephant. He really was a large brute, as the following measurements taken on the spot will shew :—

Nose to tip of tail	...	...	11 feet (the tail being 3' 4")
Girth round chest	...	...	4 feet 6 inches.
Ditto round root of tail	...	...	1 " 3 "
Ditto ditto fore-arm	...	...	2 " 2 "
Height at shoulder	...	...	3 " 6 "
Length of head	...	...	1 " 2 "

The circumference of head measured over the muscles of the jaw 2 feet 10 inches ; this fine specimen was also made over to the Taxidermist for the Museum. After padding the tiger which was any thing but easy work, we beat on till about 3 o'clock, when we had tiffin on the bank of the Koosey which was most refreshing, the day being fearfully hot. After an hour's rest and satisfying the inner man as best we could (oh how we missed the ice !) we beat up to where we had to cross the river, and on arriving at the ghât near dusk, were horrified to find many of our things still being crossed over—a nice look out this—especially as a storm was brewing, but we had to make the best of it, and press on to D—w. Only got two tents up that night, but we considered ourselves lucky in doing so much, as we had shelter from the storm which broke about 12 o'clock.

The 20th was about as dismal a morning as any one would care to see, as it rained and blew up to 12 o'clock, and we were glad to put on a warm suit and great coats to keep the cold out. Here all dispersed ; J. L. S. to visit some of his factories, on the way to which, he hoped to fall in with some of the tigers we lost, and R. P. J., H. W. S., G. W. S. and I. J. W., for the station of Purneah ; and thus ended our hunt, which though not as successful as last year's was an awfully jolly one ; as for the two that gave the party, all I will say is, " May their shadow never grow less ! "

15th June, 1871.

BRUISER.

The total game bagged was :—

1 Rhinoceros
9 Tigers
1 Cub
2 Buffaloes
76 Deer
42 Pigs
1 Hare
5 Florican

also some partridge and quail.

Any number of buffalo, deer, pig and small game might have been bagged, had not general firing been prohibited.

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