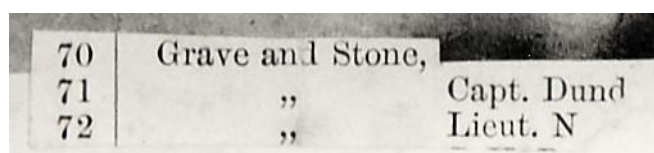


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Original Index of the Sappers and Miners Photographs of the 2nd Anglo-Afghan War

In some of the albums with RE photographs, thin white paper strips with a printed number and short description are glued below the picture:



The origin of these printed strips and the meaning of the numbers couldn't be traced, neither in Chatham, nor at the British Library. The solution was found by chance on the occasion of a visit to the National Library of Scotland at Edinburgh in January 2012 in:

Acc. No. 6837: Dundas of Ochertyre family papers (Michael Allan Collection):
7. Photographs of scenes of Afghanistan during the campaigns of 1878 – 1880.

This file contains an incomplete set of RE photographs¹ of the 2nd phase of the war in different sizes, together with a printed list of all the photographs, taken by the *Photograph School of the Bengal Sappers & Miners*, which is cut in two pieces. The list mentions:

- 64 prints from the 1st phase of the war, and
- 89 prints from the 2nd phase,
(Each part of the panoramas is counted separately).

Most probably this list was used by the *Photograph School* as an order form, on which those who were interested to receive copies could tick the prints wanted. Strangely, the list includes also the confidential photographs, which were not available for private use. Furthermore, neither the available sizes of the copies nor the prices are mentioned.

The numbers given to the photographs in this list do neither represent the chronology of the events, nor do they show any other systematic arrangement. There are even some photographs, taken during the 1st phase, which were added to the 2nd phase (No. 31-34). At least twelve other existing BS&M photographs are not mentioned in the list, as well as those existing in two slightly different variations. Furthermore, the photographs marked "Confidential" are mixed-up with the "ordinary" pictures. Therefore a new, more systematic arrangement seems to be justified.

¹ The 46 prints of this series (all from the 2nd phase of the war) are for the most part of good or even excellent quality. Unfortunately, all the prints had holes punched in them and were glued together – back to back – with scotch-tape. In the upper left corner they are numbered in handwritten black ink. These numbers are the same as on the printed list. There are always two prints together in a protective, self-made cellophane cover. In addition, all these covers were taped together to some kind of a "book". We are thankful to the National Library of Scotland for the permission to reproduce the above mentioned original list in our research paper.

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Digitally enhanced copy of the S&M List, kept by the National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh:

Acc. No. 6837/7: *Dundas of Ochertyre family papers (Michael Allan Collection):*

7. Photographs of scenes of Afghanistan during the campaigns of 1878 – 1880.

PHOTOGRAPH SCHOOL, SAPPERS & MINERS.		Photographs taken in Afghanistan during the Campaigns of 1878-79 and 1879-80.		
1878-79.				
No.	Description.	No.	Description.	
1	Fort and Plain of Dakka. { Panorama.	32	View of British Camp from South Hill Piqueet. { Panorama.	
2		33		
3		34		
4		35		
5	Distant view of Khyber Pass.	36	View of Bridge and Mosque at Water Gate, Jellalabad.	
6	Fort Jumrood.	37	Portion of British Camp from Field Park Office, S. & M.	
7	Mouth of Khyber Pass. { Panorama.	38		
8		39		
9	Ali Musjid.	40	Group of Afghan Contractors, Jellalabad.	
10	do.	41	Group. General Macpherson and Staff at Mill.	
11	Ali Musjid. { Panorama.	42	Buddhist Sculptures found near Jellalabad.	
12		43	General Sir Sam Browne's Camp, Jellalabad.	
13		44	Ali Boghan Road, No. 1.	
14	City of Jellalabad from Piper's Hill.	45	do. do. No. 2.	
15		46	do. do. No. 3.	
16	Main Street of Jellalabad from Cabul Gate.	47	Elachipur Point, Girdi Kus.	
17	Peshawur Gate do.	48	General Hospital, Jellalabad.	
18	Cabul Gate do.	49	Group of Bactrian Camels.	
19	Water Gate do.	50	Yakoob Khan's Tent and Guard of Honour of H.M.'s 17th Regt., Sufed Sung.	
20	South Gate do.	51	Artillery and Cavalry awaiting arrival of Yakoob Khan.	
21	Part of City of do.	52	British Camp, Sufed Sung.	
22	Sirkari Bagh.	53		
23	Sirkari Bagh Pavillion.	54	View of Bridge over River at Sufed Sung, No. 1.	
24	Bridges over Cabul River, Jellalabad.	55		do. do. No. 2.
25		56		do. do. No. 3.
26		57		do. do. No. 4.
27	58	do. do. No. 5.		
28	Group of Natives.	59	Yakoob Khan's Camp.	
29	South Hill Piqueet.	60	View of S. & M. Camp, showing Cavalry Brigade Camp.	
30	Piper's Hill Piqueet.	61		44th Hill and Monument.
31	Rock near Dakka on the Jellalabad Road.	62		View of Frontier Mills, No. 1.
		63		do. do. No. 2.
		64		
1879-80.				
1	Bala Hissar and Palace.	47	Camp, General Ross, Saidabad.	
2	Residency (Front View).	48	Graveyard, Kabul.	
3		49	Gravestones, 9th Lancers.	
4		50	Block House, Seah Sung.	
5	do. Back " shewing Gate and Scaffold.	51	Fort Onslow, Bimaru.	
6	Bala Hissar Gate.	52	do. Interior.	
7	Part of Wall, Upper Bala Hissar.	53	Fort, Asmai Hill.	
8	Tomb near Bala Hissar Gate.	54	do. Interiors.	
9	Magazine, Upper Bala Hissar.	55		
10	Captured Guns, Kabul.	56		
11	Noon-Day Gun.	57	Bala Borge.	
12	Portion of Sherpur shewing the Sher Derwaza.	58	Bala Kitsar from Sher Derwaza.	
13	View from Bimaru shewing the Pugwan Range.	59		
14	do. do. Kohistan Route.	60	Fort, Sher Derwaza.	
15	N.E. of Sherpur.	61	do. Interior.	
16	Portion of Sherpur shewing the Alaiabad Kotal.	62	Block House, Sher Derwaza.	
17	View at Gundamak. R.E. Park.	63	One Gun and Equipment 6/8 R.A. on Mules.	
18	Part of Bala Hissar shewing the Old Palace Gardens.	64		
19	Kabul from Upper Bala Hissar.	65		
20		66		
21	Lahore Gate, Kabul.	67	Gun in Action.	
22	Kabul from Asmai.	68		
23	Sherpur from Asmai.	69		Grave and Stone, Lieut. Montanro, R.A.
24		70		do. do. Capt. Dundas, R.E.
25	Bala Hissar Gate leading to City.	71		do. do. Lieut. Nugent, R.E.
26	Kabul from Seah Sung.	72		do. do. J. H. Porter, Principal Medical Officer.
27		73		do. do. Troop Sergt.-Major Spittles.
28	Shah Shoujah's Old Palace, Bala Hissar.	74		do. do. Capt. Dundas, R.E. and Lieut. Nugent, R.E.
29	Interior of Residency from Upper Bala Hissar.	75	Abdul Rahman (copy).	
30	Sapper and Miner's Camp and old Cantonments 1842, Gundamak.	76	Section 4th Goorkhas.	
31	View at Gundamak.	77	Company "	
32	View at Gundamak looking towards Jugdulluck.	78	Officers "	
33	Sapper and Miner's Bastion Sherpur.	79	Band 4th Goorkhas.	
34	7th Company, Sappers and Miners, Sherpur.	80	Officers, General C. Gough's Brigade.	
35	Bridge over Cabul River.	81	General Gough and Staff.	
36		82	do. do. Mounted.	
37	Valley of Maidan.	83	do. do. Officers 9th Regiment.	
38		84	Telegraphers, Sherpur.	
39	Fort in Maidan.	85	R.E. Officers 2nd Division, Bala Hissar.	
40		86	Shewaki Minar.	
41	British Camp, General Ross' Brigade, Saidabad.	87	Fort Roberts and Kabul.	
42		88		
43	Saidabad, where fighting took place 25th and 26th April.	89		
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1st Phase of the war, 1878-79

⊗ photographs in the yellow album of Foundation BA

S&M No.	RE No.	Description, as in the original list
⊗ 1-1	RE 006-1	[1-4] Fort and Plain of Dakka. <u>Panorama.</u>
⊗ 1-2	RE 006-2	
⊗ 1-3	RE 006-3	
⊗ 1-4	RE 006-4	
⊗ 1-5	RE 002	Distant view of Khyber Pass. [= Excavations near Jamrud Fort]
⊗ 1-6	RE 001	Fort Jumrood.
1-7	RE 003-1	[7-8] Mouth of Khyber Pass. <u>Panorama.</u>
1-8	RE 003-2	
1-9	missing	Ali Musjid.
⊗ 1-10	RE 004-1 a	do.
⊗ 1-11	RE 004-1	[11-12] Ali Musjid. <u>Panorama.</u>
⊗ 1-12	RE 004-2	
⊗ 1-13	RE 013-1	[13-15] City of Jellalabad from Piper's Hill. <u>Panorama.</u>
⊗ 1-14	RE 013-2	
⊗ 1-15	RE 013-3	
⊗ 1-16	RE 019	Main Street of Jellalabad from Cabul Gate.
⊗ 1-17	RE 016	Peshawur Gate do.
⊗ 1-18	RE 018	Cabul Gate do.
⊗ 1-19	RE 017	Water Gate do.
⊗ 1-20	RE 015	South Gate do.
⊗ 1-21	RE 014	Part of City of do.
⊗ 1-22	RE 030 b	Sirkari Bagh.
⊗ 1-23	RE 031	Sirkari Bagh Pavillion.
1-24	RE 036	
1-25	RE 037	[24-27] Bridges over Cabul River, Jellalabad.
1-26	missing	
1-27	missing	
⊗ 1-28	RE 032	Group of Natives.
⊗ 1-29	RE 021	South Hill Picquet.
⊗ 1-30	RE 020	Piper's Hill Picquet.
1-31	RE 009	Rock near Dakka on the Jellalabad Road. [2 versions]
⊗ 1-32	RE 022-1	[32-35] View of British Camp from South Hill Picquet. <u>Panorama.</u>
⊗ 1-33	RE 022-2	
⊗ 1-34	RE 022-3	
⊗ 1-35	RE 022-4	
⊗ 1-36	RE 023	View of Bridge and Mosque at Water Gate, Jellalabad.
⊗ 1-37	RE 024-2	[37-38] Portion of British Camp from Field Park Office, S. & M. <u>Panorama.</u>
⊗ 1-38	RE 024-1	
⊗ 1-39	RE 033	Group of Afghan Contractors, Jellalabad.
⊗ 1-40	RE 029	Group. General Macpherson and Staff at Mill.
⊗ 1-41	RE 034	Buddhist Sculptures found near Jellalabad.
⊗ 1-42	RE 035	Buddhist Sculptures found near Jellalabad.
⊗ 1-43	RE 026	General Sir Sam Browne's Camp, Jellalabad.
1-44	RE 010	Ali Boghan Road, No. 1
1-45	RE 011	do. No. 2
1-46	RE 012	do. No. 3
⊗ 1-47	RE 007	Elachipur Point, Girdi Kus.
⊗ 1-48	RE 027	General Hospital, Jellalabad.
⊗ 1-49	RE 025	Group of Bactrian Camels.
⊗ 1-50	RE 053	Yakoob Khan's Tent and Guard of Honour of H.M.'s 17th Regt., Sufed Sung
⊗ 1-51	RE 054	Artillery and Cavalry awaiting arrival of Yakoob Khan.
⊗ 1-52	RE 045-3	[52-54] British Camp, Sufed Sung. <u>Panorama.</u>
⊗ 1-53	RE 045-2	
⊗ 1-54	RE 045-1	
1-55	RE 047	View of Bridge over River at Sufed Sung, No. 1
1-56	RE 049	do. No. 2
1-57	RE 050	do. No. 3
1-58	RE 051	do. No. 4
⊗ 1-59	RE 048	do. No. 5
⊗ 1-60	RE 052	Yakoob Khan's Camp.
⊗ 1-61	RE 043	View of S.&M. Camp, shewing Cavalry Brig. Camp
⊗ 1-62	RE 040	44th Hill and Monument.
1-63	RE 041 ?	View of Frontier Mills, No. 1
1-64	RE 044 ?	do. No. 2

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2nd Phase of the war, 1879-80

S&M No.	RE No.	Description as in the original list
2-1	RE 057-2	[1-2] Bala Hissar and Palace. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-2	RE 057-1	
2-3	RE 068	Residency (Front View).
2-4	RE 065	“ Back “
2-5	RE 066	“ shewing Gate and Scaffold
2-6	RE 058	Bala Hissar Gate.
2-7	RE 060	Part of Wall, Upper Bala Hissar.
2-8	RE 059	Tomb near Bala Hissar Gate.
2-9	RE 069	Magazine, Upper Bala Hissar.
2-10	RE 084 / RE 111	Captured Guns, Kabul.
2-11	RE 085	Noon-Day Gun.
2-12	RE 081	Portion of Sherpur shewing the Sher Derwaza.
2-13	RE 083	View from Bimaru shewing the Pugwan Range.
2-14	RE 076	“ “ Kohistan Route.
2-15	RE 077	“ “ N.E. of Sherpur.
2-16	RE 082	Portion of Sherpur shewing the Alaibad Kotal.
2-17	RE 080	“ “ R.E. Park
2-18	RE 063	Part of Bala Hissar shewing the old Palace Gardens.
2-19	RE 062-2	[19-20] Kabul from Upper Bala Hissar. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-20	RE 062-1	
2-21	RE 071	Lahore Gate, Kabul.
2-22	RE 073-1	[22-23] Kabul from Asmai. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-23	RE 073-2	
2-24	RE 072-2	[24-25] Sherpur from Asmai. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-25	RE 072-1	
2-26	RE 061	Bala Hissar Gate leading to City.
2-27	RE 074-2	[27-28] Kabul from Seah Sung. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-28	RE 074-1	
2-29	RE 064	Shah Shoujah's Old Palace, Bala Hissar.
2-30	RE 067	Interior of Residency from Upper Bala Hissar.
2-31	RE 038	Sapper and Miner's Camp and old Cantonments 1842, Gundamuk
2-32	RE 039	View at Gundamuk.
2-33	RE 046	View at Gundamuk looking towards Jugdulluck.
2-34	RE 078	Sapper and Miner's Bastion Sherpur.
2-35	RE 079	7 th Company, Sappers and Miners, Sherpur.
2-36	RE 100 Confidential	Bridge over Kabul River.
2-37	RE 088	Bridge over Kabul River.
2-38	RE 089	Bridge over Kabul River.
2-39	RE 090	Bridge over Kabul River.
2-40	RE 091-1	[40-41] Valley of Maidan. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-41	RE 091-2	
2-42	RE 092	Fort in Maidan.
2-43	RE 116-1	[43-44] British Camp, General Ross' Brigade, Saidabad. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-44	RE 116-2	
2-45	RE 094-2	[45-46] Saidabad, where fighting took place. <u>Panorama.</u>
2-46	RE 094-1	
2-47	RE 093	Camp, General Ross, Saidabad.
2-48	RE 086	Graveyard, Kabul
2-49	RE 117	Gravestone, 9 th Lancers.
2-50	RE 101 Confidential	Block House, Seah Sung.
2-51	RE 113 Confidential	Fort Onslow, Bimaru.
2-52	RE 112 Confidential	“ Interior.
2-53	RE 107 Confidential	Fort, Asmai Hill.
2-54	RE 108 Confidential	Asmai Hill. Interior.
2-55	RE 109 Confidential	Asmai Hill. Interior.
2-56	RE 110 Confidential	Asmai Hill. Interior.
2-57	RE 103-1 Confidential	Bala Borge.

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2-58	RE 070-2	}	[58-59] Bala Kitsar from Sher Derwaza. <u>Panorama</u> .
2-59	RE 070-1	}	
2-60	RE 104	Confidential	Fort, Sher Derwaza.
2-61	RE 105	Confidential	“ Interior.
2-62	RE 106	Confidential	Block House, Sher Dewaza.
2-63	RE 118		
2-64	RE 119		[63-68] One Gun and Equipment 6/8 R.A. on Mules
2-65	RE 120		
2-66	RE 121		
2-67	RE 122		
2-68	RE 123		
2-69	RE 124		Gun in Action.
2-70	RE 125		Grave and Stone, Lieut. Montanaro, R.A.
2-71	RE 126		“ Capt. Dundas, R.E.
2-72	RE 127		“ Lieut. Nugent, R.E.
2-73	RE 128		“ J.H. Porter, Principal Medical Officer
2-74	RE 129		“ Troop Sergt.-Major Spittles.
2-75	RE 130		“ Capt. Dundas and Lieut. Nugent, R.E.
2-76	RE 131		Abdul Rahman (copy)
2-77	RE 132		Section 4 th Goorkhas.
2-78	RE 133		Company“
2-79	RE 134		Officers “
2-80	RE 135		Band 4 th Goorkhas
2-81	RE 136		Officers, General C. Gough’s Brigade.
2-82	RE 137		General Gough and Staff.
2-83	RE 138		“ “ Mounted.
2-84	RE 139		Officers 9 th Regiment.
2-85	RE 140		Telegraphers, Sherpur.
2-86	RE 096		R.E. Officers 2 nd Division, Bala Hissar.
2-87	RE 095		Shewaki Minar
2-88	RE 075-1	}	[88-89] Fort Roberts and Kabul. <u>Panorama</u> .
2-89	RE 075-2	}	

The following BS&M photographs are not mentioned in the S&M List:

RE 028		Sappers and Miners Camp - Jellalabad.
RE 041		6 th Company S & M Safed Sang.
RE 042		Gundamak - S. & Miners Mess Tent.
RE 055		Group of R.E. Officers sitting under a tree at Safed Sang.
RE 087-1		Cemetery, and North West End of Sherpore. <u>Panorama</u> .
RE 087-2		
RE 102-1		Fort Roberts. <u>Panorama</u> .
RE 102-2		
RE 103-2		Bala Boorj. Looking down the hill towards the Bala Hissar.
RE 114-1		View from the Kohistan Road, looking back ... <u>Panorama</u> .
RE 114-2		
RE 115		View, looking in NW ^{ly} direction, up the spur ...
RE 030 b	=	S&M 1-22 2 nd version
RE 010	=	S&M 1-31 2 nd version
RE 111	=	S&M 2-10 2 nd version

⊗ photographs in the yellow album of Foundation BA

Most of the photographs of the first phase of the war which are missing in the yellow album are related to the professional work done by the Bengal Sappers & Miners (construction of roads and bridges, BS&M camp, etc.). At times of war, such views could be seen as “confidential” and were not allowed to be shown in public. This fact may indicate that the yellow album did not belong to an RE officer – or to any participant of the campaign – but was intended for public display. This becomes even more likely, due to the absence of any explanatory caption to the prints. Additionally, the album holds five photographs of a smaller size, which do not belong to the Afghan war.

Based on these facts, it could be assumed that the high quality prints in the yellow album are those which were on display at the *Annual Exhibition of the Photographic Society of Great Britain*, held in London in October-November 1879, which is mentioned in the introduction.

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Chronological Arrangement of all the Photographs and new RE-Numbering

(Providing also a concordance with the S&M List, Cabul Defences, and Thackeray-Plates)

Part 1: The First Phase of the War, 1878-79

Khyber-Pass, Ali Masjid and Dakka

RE No.	S&M No. ²	Subject
RE 001	1-6	Jamrud Fort.
RE 002	1-5	Jamrud. Excavations near fort.
RE 003		Panorama: Mouth of the Khyber Pass.
RE 003-1	1-7	Left part of panorama.
RE 003-2	1-8	Right part of panorama.
RE 004		Panorama: Fort Ali Masjid in the Khyber Pass.
RE 004-1	1-11	Left part of panorama.
RE 004-2	1-12	Right part of panorama.
RE 004-1a	1-10	Taken from slightly different point as RE 004-1
RE 005	–	Plate from Sandes, <i>The Indian Sappers and Miners</i> . Frontier tower demolition in Khyber.
RE 006		Panoramic view in four parts of the valley and Fort of Dakka.
RE 006-1	1-1	Left part of panorama: Lalpoora – Dakka.
RE 006-2	1-2	Centre-left of panorama: Western fortification of Dakka Fort.
RE 006-3	1-3	Centre-right of panorama: Dakka Fort.
RE 006-4	1-4	Right of panorama: Eastern fortification of Dakka Fort.

Road construction to Jalalabad

RE No.	S&M No.	Subject
RE 007	1-47	Road along Kabul river at Lachapur, East of Girdi Kats.
RE 008	1-31	Girdi Kats.
RE 009	–	Rock defile at Girdi Kats.
RE 010	1-44	Ali Boghan Road. [Between Girdi Kats and Ali Boghan.]
RE 011	1-45	Ali Boghan Road. [Between Girdi Kats and Ali Boghan.]
RE 012	1-46	Ali Boghan Road. [More distant view.]

² Number on the printed list of the “Photograph School, Sappers & Miners”, which may have been the original numbering of the photographs. The same numbers are on the back (verso) of the prints in the yellow album of Foundation BA.

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City and Camp at Jalalabad

RE No.	S&M No.	Subject
RE 013		<u>Panorama</u> of Jalalabad in three parts [From Piper's Hill].
RE 013-1	1-13	Left part of panorama.
RE 013-2	1-14	Centre part of panorama.
RE 013-3	1-15	Right part of panorama.
RE 014	1-21	Jalalabad, part of the city.
RE 015	1-20	Jalalabad, South Gate.
RE 016	1-17	Jalalabad, Peshawar Gate.
RE 017	1-19	Jalalabad, Water Gate.
RE 018	1-18	Jalalabad, Kabul Gate.
RE 019	1-16	Jalalabad, Main street from Kabul Gate to covered bazaar.
RE 020	1-30	Piper's Hill, Jalalabad.
RE 021	1-29	South Hill Picquet, Jalalabad.
RE 022		<u>Panorama</u> of Jalalabad in four parts from the South [South Hill].
RE 022-1	1-32	Left part of panorama.
RE 022-2	1-33	Centre-left part of panorama.
RE 022-3	1-34	Centre-right part of panorama. British military camp.
RE 022-4	1-35	Right part of panorama. British military camp.
RE 023	1-36	View of Bridge and Mosque at Water Gate, Jalalabad.
RE 024		<u>Panorama</u> in two parts of the British Camp
RE 024-1	1-38	Left part of panorama.
RE 024-2	1-37	Right part of panorama.
RE 025	1-49	Kabuli camels & attendants.
RE 026	1-43	Sir S. Browne and Staff, Jalalabad.
RE 027	1-48	General Hospital, Jalalabad. Group of about 12 large tents.
RE 028	–	Sappers and Miners Camp, Jalalabad.
RE 029	1-40	Brigadier-General Macpherson & staff.
RE 030	1-22	Winter Palace, Jalalabad.
RE 031	1-23	Sirkari Bagh Pavilion, Jalalabad.
RE 032	1-28	Group of Afghans, Jalalabad.
RE 033	1-39	Afghan Contractors, Jalalabad.
RE 034	1-41	Gandharan sculptures, displayed at Jalalabad. [Mostly reliefs.]
RE 035	1-42	Gandharan Sculptures, displayed at Jalalabad. [Mostly heads.]
RE 036	1-24	1 st Portion of Bridge over Kabul River.
RE 037	1-25	2 nd & 3 rd Portions of Bridge over Kabul River.

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Gandamak and Safed Sang

RE No.	S&M No.	Subject
RE 038	2-31	Gandamak, showing Old Cantonment of 1842. [Thackeray, Plate 28.]
RE 039	2-32	Gandamak, near scene of last stand. [Thackeray, Plate 29.]
RE 040	1-62	Gandamak, 44 th Hill.
RE 041	1-63 ?	Safed Sang, 6 th Company Bengal S&M.
RE 042	—	Safed Sang, S&M Mess Tent.
RE 043	1-61	Safed Sang, S&M Camp, shewing Cavalry Brigade Camp.
RE 044	1-64 ?	Safed Sang, Watermills opposite S&M Camp.
RE 045		<u>Panorama</u> : British Camp at Safed Sang, in three parts.
RE 045-1	1-54	Left part of panorama.
RE 045-2	1-53	Centre part of panorama.
RE 045-3	1-52	Right part of panorama.
RE 046	2-33	Gandamak, looking towards Jugdulluk.
RE 047	1-55	Safed Sang/Gandamak, Bridge.
RE 048	1-59	Safed Sang/Gandamak, Bridge.
RE 049	1-56	Safed Sang/Gandamak, Trestle Bridge.
RE 050	1-57	Same bridge from opposite end.
RE 051	1-58	Plate from <i>Abridged Official Account</i> , p. 440. Restored Bridge near Safed Sang.
RE 052	1-60	Distant view of Amir Yakub Khan's Camp.
RE 053	1-50	Gandamak, Amir Yakub Khan's tent.
RE 054	1-51	Gandamak, reception of Amir Yakub Khan.
RE 055	—	Group of RE Officers, Safed Sang.
RE 056	—	left open

As most of the photographs of this series which are missing in the yellow album are related to the professional work done by the Bengal Sappers & Miners (construction of roads and bridges, BS&M camp, etc.), the album did most probably not belong to an RE officer – or to any participant of the campaign. This becomes even more likely, because of the absence of any explanatory caption to the prints. In addition, the album holds five photographs of a smaller size, which do not belong to the Afghan war.

Based on these facts, it could be assumed that the high quality prints in the yellow album are those which were on display at the annual exhibition of the Photographic Society of Great Britain, held in London in October-November 1879, which is mentioned in the introduction.

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Part 2: The Second Phase of the War, 1879-80

Bala Hissar, City of Kabul and Siah Sang

RE No.	S&M No.	Cabul Defen.	Thack-eray	Subject
RE 057		CD 10		<u>Panorama</u> : Bala Hissar and Palace.
RE 057-1	2-2	CD 10-1	TH 30	Left part of panorama.
RE 057-2	2-1	CD 10-2		Right of panorama.
RE 058	2-6	CD 10 A	TH 12	Bala Hissar Gate / Lahore Gate / Darwaza Shah Shahid.
RE 059	2-8	CD 11 G	TH 15	Mosque outside Bala Hissar.
RE 060	2-7	CD 10 B	TH 10	Walls up to Bala Burj from BH.
RE 061	2-26	CD 11 B		Bala Hissar City Gate / Darwaza Nagara Khana.
RE 062		CD 01		<u>Panorama</u> : Kabul from Upper Bala Hissar.
RE 062-1	2-20	CD 01-1		Left part of panorama.
RE 062-2	2-19	CD 01-2	TH 1	Right of panorama.
RE 063	2-18	CD 12	TH 11	Interior of Bala Hissar, Sapper Qtrs & Diwan-i-Am.
RE 064	2-29	CD 11 A	TH 13	Interior Shah Shujah's Palace showing Qtrs 4 th Gurkhas.
RE 065	2-4	CD 11 E	TH 16	Residency, from across moat.
RE 066	2-5	CD 11 C		Residency Gate & Scaffold.
RE 067	2-30		TH 18	Interior of Residency from Upper BH.
RE 068	2-3	CD 11 F	TH 17	Residency: Cavagnari's Qtrs.
RE 069	2-9	CD 11 H		Bala Hissar Magazine, after explosion.
RE 070		CD 11		<u>Panorama</u> : Bird's-eye view of Bala Hissar.
RE 070-1	2-59	CD 11-1	TH 21	Left part of panorama.
RE 070-2	2-58	CD 11-2	TH 20	Right part of panorama.
RE 071	2-21	CD 11 D	TH 22	Kabul City, Lahore Gate.
RE 072		CD 03		<u>Panorama</u> : Sherpur from Asmai.
RE 072-1	2-25	CD 03-1	TH 5	Left of panorama.
RE 072-2	2-24	CD 03-2		Right of panorama.
RE 073		CD 02		<u>Panorama</u> : Kabul from Asmai.
RE 073-1	2-22	CD 02-1	TH 3	Left part of panorama.
RE 073-2	2-23	CD 02-2		Right part of panorama.
RE 074		CD 09		<u>Panorama</u> : Kabul from Siah Sang.
RE 074-1	2-28	CD 09-1		Left part of panorama.
RE 074-2	2-27	CD 09-2	TH 4	Right part of panorama.
RE 075		CD 08		<u>Panorama</u> : Fort Roberts, Siah Sang.
RE 075-1	2-88	CD 08-1		Left part of panorama.
RE 075-2	2-89	CD 08-2		Right part of panorama.

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Sherpur Cantonment and Miscellaneous

RE No.	S&M No.	Cabul Defen.	Thack-eray	Subject
RE 076	2-14	CD 23		View from Bimaru, showing Kohistan Route.
RE 077	2-15	CD 77	TH 7	View from Bimaru, showing Sherpur/ Bemaru Village.
RE 078	2-34	CD 21		Post of Bengal S&M in Sherpur.
RE 079	2-35	CD 22		7 th Coy, S&M, in front of hut built for Sapper officers in Sherpur.
RE 080	2-17	CD 25 A	TH 9	Interior of Sherpur showing RE Qtrs.
RE 081	2-12	CD 20		Western Sherpur, showing Sher Darwaza.
RE 082	2-16	CD 21 B	TH 6	Sherpur.
RE 083	2-13	CD 21 A	TH 19	Sherpur, showing Paghman Range.
RE 084	2-10	CD 21 D		Captured guns Kabul. (CD photograph = slight variation)
RE 085	2-11	CD 09 A		Noon-Day Gun.
RE 086	2-48	CD 21 C	TH 24	Graveyard, Kabul.
RE 087	–	Luke Collection		<u>Panorama</u> : Cemetery, and North West End of Sherpore.
RE 087-1	–			Left part of panorama.
RE 087-2	–			Right part of panorama.
RE 088	2-37	CD 11 D	TH 25	Bridge over Kabul River.
RE 089	2-38			Pul-e Feringhi Bridge over Kabul River. [Opposite view to 088]
RE 090	2-39	CD 04		Bridge over Kabul River near Siah Sang.
RE 091				<u>Panorama</u> : Maidan Valley.
RE 091-1	2-40			Left part of panorama.
RE 091-2	2-41		TH 22	Right part of panorama.
RE 092	2-42		TH 26	Qala in Maidan / Saiyidabad.
RE 093	2-47		TH 27	Camp of General Ross, Saiyidabad.
RE 094				<u>Panorama</u> : Saidabad, where fighting took place 25 th + 26 th April.
RE 094-1	2-46			Left part of the panorama.
RE 094-2	2-45			Right part of the panorama.
RE 095	2-87	CD 17 A	TH 23	Shewaki Minar.
RE 096	2-86			RE Officers in Bala Hissar, June 1880.
RE 097	–			Photo. by John Burke (JB 207): RE Group, Kabul, March 1880.
RE 098	–			Photo. by John Burke (JB 208): RE Group, Kabul, March 1880.
RE 099	–			Photo. by John Burke (JB 209): RE Group, Kabul, March 1880.

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Part 3: Confidential Photographs and Plans

The “**Confidential photographs**” used in addition to the pictures listed in Part 2 in green as “Kabul Defen.”, to illustrate the plans of the fortifications around Kabul, are not present in the usual private collections of the RE photographs:

Photographs, stamped CONFIDENTIAL

RE No.	S&M No.	Cabul Defen.	Subject
RE 100	2-36	CD 05	Bridge over Kabul river.
RE 101	2-50	CD 06	Blockhouse on Siah Sang.
RE 102		CD 07	<u>Panorama</u> : Fort Roberts.
RE 102-1	–		Left part of panorama.
RE 102-2	–		Right part of panorama.
RE 103		CD 13	<u>Panorama</u> : Bala Boorj. Looking towards the Bala Hissar.
RE 103-1	2-57		Left part of panorama.
RE 103-2	–		Right part of panorama.
RE 104	2-60	CD 14	Fort “B” on the Shahr-i-Darwaza. / Looking back at the Fort (2 Company’s Works Drawing No. 8) from the first of the small advanced posts.
RE 105	2-61	CD 14 A	Interior view of the Fort.
RE 106	2-62	CD 15	Advanced Posts on the Shahr-i-Darwaza. Seen from Fort B. Distance from point to point about 260 yards.
RE 107	2-53	CD 16	Asmai Fort. View of the Works on the ascent from the N.W. The height was carried by assault, by the line, Dec. 14 th 1879.
RE 108	2-54	CD 17	Asmai Fort. Interior view looking over the Chardeh plain: the Kabul River is seen in the distance issuing from the Lalundeh Gorge.
RE 109	2-55	CD 18	Asmai Fort. Interior views.
RE 110	2-56	CD 19	Asmai Fort. Interior views.
RE 111	2-10	CD 21 D	Captured ordnance, parked in Sherepore. (2 nd version)
RE 112	2-52	CD 24	Fort Onslow. Looking West.
RE 113	2-51	CD 24 A	Fort Onslow. Looking East.
RE 114		CD 25	<u>Panorama</u> : View from the Kohistan Road, looking back in a SW direction, at the Bemaru hills and the North-East face of the works connecting Fort RE
RE 114-1	–		Onslow with the Bemaru village.
RE 114-2	–		
RE 115	–	CD 25 A	View, looking in NW ^{ly} direction, up the spur which is seen in profile in Photo 25, from outside the extreme point of the Bemaru village. (This photograph exists exclusively in the ‘Black Album’ of Cabul Defences)

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Plans of the “Cabul Defences”, stamped **CONFIDENTIAL**

<u>Plan No.</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Plan No. 1	General Plan.
Plan No. 2	Plan of Sherpur Cantonment.
Plan No. 3	Killa Ibrahim Khan.
Plan No. 3 A	Bridge over Cabul river at Fort Ibrahim Khan.
Plan No. 4	Block house on Siah Sung.
Plan No. 5	Fort Roberts on Siah Sung.
Plan No. 5 A	Fort Roberts on Siah Sung. Sectional elevation.
Plan No. 6	Plan Bala Hissar-Cabul. Subsequent to demolition and reconstruction.
Plan No. 6 A	Bala Bourj survey.
Plan No. 6 A	Bala Hissar. [Sections 1 – 6]
Plan No. 6 B	Section along mule road from ditch to interior of upper Bala Hissar. Sections 7 and 8.
Plan No. 7	Bala Hissar Bala Burj for 30 rifles. Plan and section.
Plan No. 8	Blockhouse on Shahr-Durwazah for 2 companies. Plan and section.
Plan No. 9	Post on the Shahr-Durwazah for 30 rifles. Marked D on General Plan. Plan and section. Post on the Shahr-Durwazah for 10 rifles. Marked C on General Plan. Plan and section.
Plan No. 10	Asmai Fort. Plan of defences on Asmai.
Plan No. 10 A	Asmai Fort. Plan of Fort on Asmai.
Plan No. 10 B	Asmai Fort. Sectional elevations.
Plan No. 11	Fort Golam Hussan Khan detached post outside N.W. corner of Sherpur Cantonment.
Plan No. 12	Sherpur Cantonment – Detail of breastwork No. 1. Plan and sections.
Plan No. 13	Two gun battery blockhouse and rifle post, west end west Bemaru hill. Plan and sections.
Plan No. 14	Sherpur Cantonments blockhouse Nos. 2 and 4. Plans.
Plan No. 15	Sherpur Cantonments blockhouse No. 3. Plan and sections.
Plan No. 16	Sherpur Cantonment blockhouses Nos. 5 and 7. Plans and sections.
Plan No. 17	Sherpur Cantonments blockhouse No. 6 in the gorge between the two Bamaru hills.
Plan No. 18	Sherpur Cantonment blockhouse No. 9. Plan and section.
Plan No. 18 A	Sherpur Cantonment breastwork Nos. 4 to 12. Plans and section.
Plan No. 19	Sherpur Cantonment. Plan of Fort Onslow above the village of Bemaru to hold 200 men.
Plan No. 19 A	Sherpur Cantonments. [Sections and elevation of Fort Onslow]
Plan No. 20	Sherpur Cantonment. Works defending N side Bemaru village. Plan and sections.
Plan No. 21	Sherpur Cantonment. Plan of works enclosing E face.
Plan No. 21A	Sherpur Cantonment. Sections on Plan No. 21.
Plan No. 22	Sherpur Cantonments. Section of barrack and main wall.

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Part 4: BS&M Photographs in the Bryan Maggs Collection

Saiyidabad, Cemetery, Royal Artillery, Goorkhas in the Bala Hissar

RE No.	S&M No.	Subject
RE 116		<u>Panorama</u> in two parts of the British Camp, General Ross' Brigade, Saidabad.
	2-43	right part of the panorama
	2-44	left part of the panorama
RE 117	2-49	Gravestone, 9 th Lancers.
RE 118	2-63	One Gun and Equipment 6/8 R.A. on Mules.
RE 119	2-64	
RE 120	2-65	
RE 121	2-66	a series of seven images of the 'Screw Gun'
RE 122	2-67	
RE 123	2-68	
RE 124	2-69	Gun in Action.
RE 125	2-70	Grave and Stone, Lieut. Montanaro, R.A.
RE 126	2-71	Grave and Stone, Capt. Dundas, R.E.
RE 127	2-72	Grave and Stone, Lieut. Nugent, R.E.
RE 128	2-73	Grave and Stone, J.H. Porter, Principal Medical Officer.
RE 129	2-74	Grave and Stone, Troop Sergt.-Major Spittles.
RE 130	2-75	Grave and Stone, Capt. Dundas and Lieut. Nugent, R.E.
RE 131	2-76	Abdul Rahman (copy).
RE 132	2-77	Section 4 th Goorkhas.
RE 133	2-78	Company 4 th Goorkhas.
RE 134	2-79	Officers 4 th Goorkhas.
RE 135	2-80	Band 4 th Goorkhas.
RE 136	2-81	Officers, General C. Gough's Brigade.
RE 137	2-82	General Gough and Staff.
RE 138	2-83	General Gough and Staff, Mounted.
RE 139	2-84	Officers 9 th Regiment
RE 140	2-85	Telegraphers, Sherpur.

All the above listed photographs, RE 116 to RE 140, were not found in any album of the Royal Engineers Institutions in Chatham (except RE 130, which shows the two graves of R.E. officers). Only by chance – and based on the original list of the BS&M photographs, discovered at the National Library of Scotland – we were able to identify these images in the extensive collection of war photographs of the 19th century, belonging to Bryan Maggs in London. Even there, one photograph was still missing: RE 120. This last picture was finally discovered in the Royal Artillery Museum.

It is a great pleasure for us – and we are most thankful to Mr Maggs and the Royal Artillery Historical Trust – that they were so generous as to give the permission to include this rare series of images in our catalogue of BS&M photographs, which would otherwise have remained incomplete.