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AFGHANISTAN, 1878-1880, CLASP, AHMED KHEL '3442, GUNR. F. BEST, A/B, R.H.A.'

At the Battle of Ahmed Khel on 19th April 1880, this Battery was situated in advance of the Infantry, and, without support they were charged by several hundred Ghazis who reached the muzzles of the guns before being repulsed by intense shrapnel fire. 168 clasps were issued to "A" Battery / "B" Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery. In describing the action Major May said that;

"no Artillery has ever been called upon to repel a more determined charge, one which no Europeans would have ventured to make at all."

The following day, at the fort of Ghunzi, two of the original guns lost in 1842 were recovered by the Battery. One is currently still in India while the other, the Ahmed Khel gun, is owned by the current Battery.

This battery is now F (Sphinx) Parachute Battery Royal Horse Artillery:

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Condition VF, some small EK's and suspension somewhat loose.