

A SCARCE DEFENCE OF JELLALABAD 1842, 1ST 'MURAL CROWN' TYPE TO THE 13TH FOOT WHO SAW EXTENSIVE ACTION IN AFGHANISTAN AND INDIA



DEFENCE OF JELLALABAD 1842, 1ST 'MURAL CROWN' TYPE 'Pte. John Fitzharris. XIII or P.A.L.I.',

John Fitzharris, a 19 year old labourer from St Pauls, Dublin, enlisted into the 13th Foot on 20 January 1840. Remained a private throughout his service, which included seeing a great deal of action in Afghanistan and later India with the 10th Foot, having transferred to that Regiment on 1 April 1850.

He was discharged at his own request on 19 February 1861 after 21 years service

His conduct is noted as:

“Good and is in possession of four good conduct badges and also has a good conduct medal. He served with the army of the Indus campaign of 1841 and 42 in several engagements forcing the passes from Cabul to Jellalabad 1841 in defence of that fort 1841 & 42, present at the action of Jellalabad 7 April 1842, Jugdulluck 8 Sept 1842 Tezeen & capture of Cabul 15 Feb 1842 and received a medal for the defence of Jellalabad and medal for the capture of Cabul. Present at the Mutiny at +++ 1857 has a medal for the Indian mutiny. He has never been tried by court martial”

As noted, Fitzharris was also entitled to the Cabul medal, the Indian Mutiny and the LSGC, the latter two with the 10th Foot.



Condition VF, Naming regimentally impressed in serif upper and lower case letters (note extra 'S' in surname). Pierced with looped suspension. Sold with a fine file of research including service papers, details of campaign, rolls etc

A scarce medal