

The Battle Of Plassey

Fascinerende geschiedenis van de Koh-i-Noor, het belangrijkste Britse kroonjuweel In 1849 nam de Britse Oost-Indische Compagnie het Sikhrijk in en werd de laatste sikhkeizer, Dalip Singh, op 10-jarige leeftijd gevangengenomen. Niet alleen de rijkste delen in India kwamen zo in handen van de Britten, maar ook India's meest waardevolle bezit: de Koh-i-Noor, de beroemdste diamant van de wereld. De geschiedenis van de Koh-i-Noor is jarenlang eenzijdig belicht door de Britten, maar het was wel de meest geaccepteerde versie. Dalrymple en Anand laten zien dat deze geschiedenis niet de juiste is en maken korte metten met alle mythes rondom de Koh-i-Noor. De juiste geschiedenis is er een van hebzucht, moord, marteling, kolonialisme en de toe-eigening van de diamant tijdens een indrukwekkend deel van de geschiedenis van Zuid- en Centraal-Azië, die controversieel eindigt in het Britse Koninkrijk. Historici William Dalrymple en Anita Anand zetten met dit boek een krachtige, erudiete en soms ook donkere geschiedenis neer van de diamant.

The Battle of Plassey, won by Robert Clive for Britain, was decisive in establishing a firm base in Bengal and from that victory the British became an imperial power whose Indian Empire was to last for nearly 200 years. Plentiful and apposite illustrations throughout this work lend humanity and colour to a study important not less in imperial than in purely military terms.

Newly illustrated throughout with contemporary maps, paintings and engravings, this is G. B. Malleson's best-selling book about how the British Empire won the jewel in its crown. Each chapter covers a decisive battle from 1746 to 1849, which finally led to the gradual annexation of India to the British Empire. The Battle of St Thome in 1746, between the French and the Nawab of the Carnatic, opened the infinite possibilities of trade and treasure in the Indian sub-continent to the Europeans. It also brought the military genius of Robert Clive of the British East India Company and Joseph-Francois Dupleix face to face, and from there followed over a decade of conflict between the French and the British, until Clive's decisive victory over the French at the Battle of Plassey in 1757. Also included, among others, is the Battle of Assaye in 1803 where Arthur Wellesley learnt his trade, the Battle of Bharatpur in 1805 between the British and the Maharaja Ranjit Singh, and the Battle of Sobraon in 1846, the final battle of the First Anglo-Sikh War. This excellent Victorian history of these decisive battles describes the causes, the complicated political alliances behind each encounter, the main protagonists, the strategies and tactics, and the final consequences of each conflict."

Astrology and soothsaying are serious matters in India; they were even more so 150 years ago. There was the prophecy that the rule of the detested East India Company would end on the one hundredth anniversary of the Battle of Plassey. Prophecies can be self-fulfilling: they are sometimes fulfilled in curious and unforeseen ways. The rule of the East India

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Company did end in 1857 but only to be replaced by direct governance by the British Crown. The Indians found the shackles even more oppressive than before. The Indian Mutiny of 1857 saw some of the most fiercely fought battles in the history of India. No quarter was given, none asked for. Those subdued were killed. The British would not take any prisoners; the natives, who were mostly on the run, did not know where to keep them.

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From Plassey to Pakistan, Revised Edition is an extraordinary study of 300 years of Indian and Pakistani history from the perspective of the Nawab Nazims, the powerful rulers of Bengal, Bihar, and Orissa. The 2002 Revised Edition includes a new chapter on the dramatic change in Pakistan's foreign policy after September 11, 2001, when its military government joined the US- led coalition to topple the radical Taliban regime it had spawned in Afghanistan. Author Humayun Mirza also discusses a possible confrontation between two nuclear nations, India and Pakistan, over the Kashmir dispute in the continuing war against terrorism.

Robert Clive (1725–1774), later Baron Clive of Plassey, is widely considered the founder of British India. He arrived in Madras as a clerk for the East India Company in 1744. Through timely promotion and a clear affinity for military leadership, he proceeded to consolidate the company's commercial and territorial position in South India before doing the same in the northeast in Bengal. In 1757 company troops under his command defeated the Nawab of Bengal at the Battle of Plassey. This victory set in motion the East India Company's ascendancy over much of India and eventual development into the world's largest transnational trading company at the time. This paved the way for the 1857 creation of the British Raj, which would last for another ninety years. Clive is a fascinating and important historical figure: a lowly company employee who rose to great heights; an informally trained military commander who led company and local Indian troops to a series of stirring victories over local rivals who were supported by the French; a grasping politician who used his great wealth to secure a prominent social position; and, finally, a hounded society notable who, plagued by illness, allegedly took his own life. No one in the early days of the British ventures in India was as well known or as controversial as Clive. Today, when empire and globalism are witnessed and talked about with ease, Clive's position as both a servant of the East India Company and an agent of imperialism makes him a surprisingly resonant figure. After relatively lowly beginnings as a writer in the East India Company, Robert Clive rose to be perhaps the most important single figure in the history of British involvement in India. At Plassey on June 23, 1757 Clive's 3,500 native and East India Company troops faced an army of 50,000 under the French supported nawab Siraj-ud-daula. Having succeeded in keeping his powder dry in a torrential rainstorm, Clive's guns were able to open a murderous fire on the enemy. Siraj-ud-daula's attack was beaten off and the counter-attack which Clive launched swept the field, with only the French gunners fighting to the last.

Britain was rapidly emerging as the most powerful European nation, a position France long believed to be her own. Yet with France still

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commanding the largest continental army, Britain saw its best opportunities for expansion lay in the East. Yet, as Britain's influence increased through its official trading arm, the East India Company, the ruler of Bengal, Nawab Siraj-ud-daulah, sought to drive the British out of the subcontinent and turned to France for help. The ensuing conflict saw intimate campaigns fought by captains and occasionally colonels and by small companies rather than big battalions. They were campaigns fought by individuals rather than anonymous masses; some were heroes, some were cowards and most of them were rogues on the make. The story is not only about Robert Clive, a clerk from Shropshire who became to all intents and purposes an emperor, but also about Eyre Coote an Irishman who fought with everyone he met, about Alexander Grant a Jacobite who first escaped from Culloden and then, Flashman-like was literally the last man into the last boat to escape Calcutta and the infamous Black Hole. The fighting culminated in Robert Clive's astonishing victory at Plassey where just 3,000 British and sepoy troops defeated Siraj-ud-Daulah's Franco-Bengali army of 18,000 in the space of only forty minutes. The victory at Plassey in 1757 established Britain as the dominant force in India, the whole of which gradually came under British control and became the most prized possession in its empire. Few battles in history have ever had such profound consequences.

This historical guide retells, in graphic detail, the story of nine of the most important battles to be fought in Scotland south of the Highland Line, stretching from Aberdeen to the Firth of Clyde. The battles range from medieval period to the time of Jacobite Rebellion. They show how weapons and equipment, tactics and strategy, and the make up of the armies themselves changed over the course of almost 500 years. By concentrating on these nine battles Stuart Reid provides a concise, coherent account of Scottish military history, and he presents detailed reassessments of each battle in the light of the very latest research. His book is a fascinating introduction to Scottish military history and an essential guide for readers who are keen to explore these battle sites for themselves. Three of the battles belong to the medieval period and Scotland's fight to establish and maintain its independence from England - Wallace's victory at Stirling Bridge in 1296, Bruce's even greater victory at Bannockburn in 1314 and then, at the end of the period, the crushing defeat at Pinkie in 1547. Three more battles belong to the bloody civil wars of the seventeenth century - Montrose's great victory at Kilsyth in August 1645, Cromwell's triumph at the Battle of Dunbar in 1650 and the short, bloody action at Inverkeithing that followed. Finally for the Jacobite period the trilogy covers Sherrifmuir 1715, Prestonpans 1745 and the conclusive encounter at Falkirk 1746. By skillful use of maps, diagrams and photographs the author explains the complex, sometimes puzzling sequence of events that make these encounters so fascinating. He provides a detailed tour of each battleground as it appears to the visitor in the present day and rediscovers the lanes and by-ways tramped by soldiers hundreds of years ago.

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On the causes and events leading to the Battle of Plassey, 1757, Bengal, between East India Company and Nawab of Bengal, and subsequent domination of the Company over the internal affairs and administration of Bengal; sociological study.

This groundbreaking study examines how the East India Company founded an empire in India at the same time it started losing ground in business. For over 200 years, the Company's vast business network had spanned Persia, India, China, Indonesia and North America. But in the late 1700s, its career took a dramatic turn, and it ended up being an empire builder. In this fascinating account, Tirthankar Roy reveals how the Company's trade with India changed it—and how the Company changed Indian business. Fitting together many pieces of a vast jigsaw puzzle, the book explores how politics meshed so closely with the conduct of business then, and what that tells us about doing business now. 'One of the first major attempts to tell the company's story from an Indian business perspective'—Financial Express

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This is an attempt to trace the event locations leading the Battle of Plassey which took place on 23rd June 1757 between British East India Company under the leadership of Commander-In-Chief Lieutenant Colonel Robert Clive and Nawab of Bengal and his French allies under the leadership of Commander-In-Chief Nawab Siraj-Ud-Daulah. Plassey was a British name of a locally known village Palashi. The battle was a turning point in world history. Within the next 100 years, British seized control of the entire Indian subcontinent and Burma, establishing an empire where the sun never sets.

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hindsight, providing a unique contemporaneous commentary. Brought together by renowned historian Stuart Reid with reports and key dispatches from the other years of the campaign, the result is the story of the Peninsular War told through the writings of the man who knew and understood the conflict in Iberia better than any other. These memoranda and dispatches have never been published before in a single connected narrative. Therefore, Wellington's History of the Peninsular War 1808-1814 offers a uniquely accessible perspective on the conflict in the own words of Britain's greatest general.

This book is primarily meant for the general public and the students, who desire to understand the history and culture of their country. Though a general work encompassing historical, cultural, economic, political and administrative features, the book is none the less authentic and authoritative. A Comprehensive History of India is the product of a joint venture undertaken by a group of historians who do not go by conformist views but by critical, objective and analytical assessment of events and developments in accordance with the methodical discipline of scientific research.

History of the military campaigns in the eastern provinces of Bengal, Bihar, and Orissa by the British in the middle of 18th century. For some years before his death the veteran India hand Sir Penderel Moon was engaged in what was to be the culmination of his lifes work: a large-scale history of the two centuries of British involvement in India â from the battle of Plassey to the final independence of India and Pakistan some forty years ago. It is a masterly account of men and events. Part One describes the conquests of the East India Company in the wake of the disintegrating Moghul empire, and the gradual development of an administrative system. A major theme is the haphazard nature of the growth of British rule and the general ineffectiveness of the home authorities. Another is the conflict of attitudes between those who wish to replace Indian with English ways and those concerned to preserve what was best in Indias ancient civilization. The watershed was the disastrous Mutiny of 1857. Part Two describes the eighty-nine years during which India was ruled directly from Whitehall and the growing demand by Indians for self-government (fed by literal ideas from the British themselves). The more far-sighted has long recognized this as inevitable, though few if any had foreseen that the end of British rule would mean the loss of Indian unity. --

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