

From Dio Cassius, a historian writing in the first part of the third century A.D.

‘... Buduica (Boudicca), a British woman of the Royal Family, possessed of greater intelligence than often belongs to women, assembled her army to the number of some 120,000, and ascended a tribunal which had been constructed of earth in Roman fashion. In stature she was very tall. In appearance terrifying. In the glance of her eye most fierce. And her voice harsh. A great mass of the tawniest hair fell to her hips. Around her neck was a large golden necklace, and she wore a tunic of colours over which a thick mantle was fastened with a brooch. She now grasped a spear to aid in terrifying all beholders ...
Buduica led her army against the Romans.’