

strongly to the Major-General's notice and the favour of Government.

To Lieutenant Mullins, and the detachment of Madras Sappers and Miners, the greatest praise is due; the work executed by the men was most laborious, and the zeal and talent with which their energies were directed by Lieutenant Mullins, are most creditable to him. He was ably seconded by Lieutenant Trevor, and I am mainly indebted to these officers, and the men under them, for enabling the troops to reach the enemy's position.

To Lieut-Col. Sturt, commanding the left wing of the force, and to Major Wigstone, commanding the right wing, my best acknowledgments are due, for the aid I have received from them, and for the gallant manner in which they brought their troops into action.

I beg to bring to the Major-General's notice Major Holdich, H.M.'s. 80th Regiment, Major Cotton, 67th N.I., Major Armstrong, 4th Sikh Local Regiment, Captain Irby, H. M.'s, 51st K.O.L.I., and Captain Armstrong, of H.M.'s. 18th R. I. Regiment, and the officers and men of the detachments under their respective commands; the whole of them behaved with great gallantry, and are entitled to my best acknowledgments.

My best thanks are due to Captain Bruce, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, for the able manner in which he has performed his duties, and for the assistance he has afforded me, on every occasion.

To Captain Garden, Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General, I have to tender my best acknowledgments, for the very efficient aid I have received from him in his department, the duties of which have been very arduous.

I would bring to the notice of the Major-General Lieutenant Pilmer, H.M.'s. 51st K.O.L.I., Brigade Quartermaster 1st Madras Brigade, who, by permission, accompanied this expedition. He has rendered the most essential service to the force in carrying orders and in seeing them executed in many cases of emergency and urgency, and has undergone great fatigue and shown much zeal for the service. He is a most able Staff Officer, and I would recommend him strongly to the Major-General's notice.

Lieutenant Thompson, my Aide-de-Camp, has been of the greatest service to me, and has shown great intelligence as well as displayed great gallantry, and I would recommend him strongly to the notice and favour of the Major-General.

To Surgeon Andrews, 67th N. I., and the Medical Department, I have to return my best thanks for the performance of their very arduous duties in the care of the sick and wounded; and to Assistant-Surgeon Murphy, Staff Surgeon to the Division, in particular, my special thanks are due; he was the senior medical officer until the arrival of the reinforcements from Rangoon, and all the arrangements made by him have been most perfect. On the 19th instant, the wounded men were attended to by him under a very heavy fire, and though wounded (I am happy to say very slightly), it did not deter him a moment from the zealous discharge of his duties; he has performed them throughout in the most unwearied and able manner, accompanying the men in the boats to the steamers, and seeing them carefully attended to and disposed of. I consider the force fortunate indeed in having a medical officer of his talent and character in such trying circumstances, and I feel assured the Major-General will accord his approbation of the services of this officer.

The deficiency in the Commissariat Department was supplied from Rangoon, Lieutenant McKellar being sent from thence. The duties have been

most ably and creditably performed by this officer; and the force, ever since his arrival, has been most regularly and amply supplied with provisions, although under circumstances of great difficulty from want of transport. His very efficient subordinate, Mr Conductor Horton, I am grieved to say, died on the march from Kyomtano, on the 18th instant, of cholera, brought on I fear by over exertion and fatigue in the discharge of his duties. He was a most energetic officer, and is a loss to the service.

Captain Smith, the Deputy Commissioner, has accompanied the force throughout this service, and has been most zealous in obtaining for us every aid the country could supply.

The co-operation of the naval force has been most effective, and has conduced greatly to the success of the expedition; and I feel deeply indebted to Commodore Lambert, and to Captain Tarleton and his officers and men, for the aid and assistance they have so promptly given us on every opportunity or occasion of difficulty.

Return of Killed and Wounded of the Expeditionary Force, under Brigadier-General Sir John Cheape, K.C.B., from February 27th to March 19th, 1853.

Bengal Artillery—1 Lascar and 1 horse, killed; 2 European officers, 1 Warrant officer, 3 rank and file, 2 Lascars and 2 horses, wounded.

Madras Sappers and Miners—1 European officer and 1 rank and file, wounded.

H. M.'s 18th Royal Irish—9 rank and file, killed; 3 European officers, 1 serjeant, and 31 rank and file, wounded.

H. M.'s 51st Light Infantry—1 European officer and 1 serjeant, killed; 15 rank and file, wounded.

H. M.'s 80th Regiment of Foot—1 rank and file, killed; 3 European officers, 4 serjeants, and 9 rank and file, wounded.

67th Regiment N. I.—1 European officer and 1 rank and file, killed; 1 European officer and 8 rank and file, wounded.

4th Regiment Sikh Infantry—1 Native officer, 2 havildars, and 4 rank and file, killed; 2 European officers, 1 Native officer, 2 havildars, 1 drummer, and 17 rank and file, wounded.

Total—2 European officers, 1 Native officer, 1 serjeant, 2 havildars, 15 rank and file, 1 Lascar, and 1 horse, killed; 12 European officers, 1 Native officer, 1 Warrant officer, 5 serjeants, 2 havildars, 1 drummer, 84 rank and file, 2 Lascars, and 2 horses, wounded.

European officers—2 killed and 12 wounded.

Native officers—1 killed and 1 wounded.

Warrant and Non-commissioned officers, rank and file—18 killed and 93 wounded.

Lascars, syce drivers, syces, &c.—1 killed and 2 wounded.

Total—22 killed and 108 wounded.

Grand total of killed and wounded—130.

J. CHEAPE, Brigadier-General,
Commanding Bengal Division,
Army of Burmah.

M. BRUCE, Captain,
Deputy Assist. Adjutant-General,
Bengal Division,
Army of Burmah.

OFFICERS KILLED AND WOUNDED.

Killed.

9th M. N. I.—Lieutenant Taylor.
67th N. I.—Ensign Boileau.