

No. 17.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Coke, Commanding Infantry of the Force, to Major Muter, Assistant Adjutant-General Field Force.

Moradabad, April 26, 1858.

SIR,

ON the arrival of the force at this place yesterday, I obtained information from Mr Inglis, Civil Service, in charge of the civil department with this force, that it was probable that a number of the chief rebels were concealed in the city; this was confirmed by the information of Willayut Hoosein, deputy collector of Moradabad.

I accordingly made an inspection of the city with Mr Inglis, and, having settled the different points to be held during the search, I obtained the Major-General's sanction to take a sufficient force into the city to carry out this object. I had previously placed parties of the Mooltanee Cavalry round the city to prevent the escape of the rebels. About 12 o'clock I proceeded with two guns of Captain Austin's Battery, a party of Sappers and the 1st Punjaub Infantry, to search the Mohulla of Nawab Mujjoo Khan, the chief of the rebels in this district, who had caused himself to be proclaimed Nawab of Moradabad, and had instigated the people to murder and plunder the Europeans at this place.

After a long search I succeeded in capturing Nawab Mujjoo Khan; one of his sons and his nephew were shot on the spot, as resistance was made by the soldiers of the Nawab's guard.

The capture of the Nawab was effected by Lieutenant Angelo, doing duty with the 1st Punjaub Infantry, who deserves great credit for his spirited conduct on this occasion. This officer, having burst open the door of the room in which the Nawab and his sons were concealed, and having captured them, was fired on by the guard of the Nawab, who were in a room on an upper storey, commanding the house in which the Nawab was concealed. Lieutenant Angelo rushed up the narrow stairs leading to this room, burst open the door, and single-handed entered the room, shot three men with his revolver, and, on being joined by some of his men, captured the rest of the guard.

A quantity of property and some horses were, with my sanction, taken by the troops, and an elephant belonging to the Nawab was made over to the Commissariat.

I enclose herewith a list of the chief rebels captured on this occasion, furnished by Mr Inglis.

I am much indebted to Willayut Hoosein Khan, deputy collector, for the information afforded by him. He has proved the correctness of the opinion formed of him by Mr Wilson, "that he was a loyal subject, and might be fully trusted." I hope he may be rewarded for the excellent service he has rendered.

Having effected the capture of the rebel leaders, and as Mr Inglis considered his police able to effect the capture of the followers of the Nawab and the other rebels in the city, I brought the force back to camp.

The energy displayed by officers and men in carrying out my orders after the long march, in the five hours' laborious work in the city, was very creditable to them.

I have, &c.,

JOHN COKE, Lieutenant-Colonel,
Commanding Infantry of the Force.

List of Rebels Captured in the City of Moradabad on the 26th April 1858.

Mujjoo Khan.
Shaik Eneautoolah Vakeel.
Abid Ali Khan.
Sayud Allie Khan.
Niaz Allie Khan.
Jhubbur Ali Khan.
Abdul Kurreem Khan.
Ala Ali Khan.
Shaik Goolam Hussein.
Nusuroodeen.
Mirza Yakoob Beg.
Mirza Jahangeen Beg.
Hoosain Bux.
Kurreeemoolah.
Elahie Bux.
Jafur Hoosein.
Rugwedeem Sha.
Muddut Khan.
Shuffaodeen.
Ahmud Hussein.
Looman.

Killed in the City during the Capture.

Nugeemoodeen, son of Mujjoo.
Noobarik Allie Khan, grandson of Mujjoo.
Emaum Sha, } Servants of Mujjoo.
Moona, }

No. 18.

No. 145 of 1858.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General is pleased to publish, for general information, the following letter from the Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army, No. 297 A, dated the 6th of May 1858, and the Despatch which accompanied it, from Brigadier H. R. Jones, of Her Majesty's 6th Carabineers, giving an account of an affair which took place at Kukerowlee, on the 30th ultimo, between the rebels and the force under Major-General N. Penny, C.B., who lost his life on the occasion.

The Governor-General shares the deep regret expressed by his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, at the loss which the service has suffered in the death of that distinguished officer.

No. 19.

The Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, with the Governor-General.

Head-Quarters, Camp, Bareilly, May 6, 1858.

SIR, No. 297 A.

I HAVE the honour, by desire of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honourable the Governor-General, a Despatch from Brigadier H. R. Jones, of Her Majesty's 6th Carabineers, in which that officer gives an account of an affair which lately took place at Kukerowlee, in the Budaon district of Rohilcund.

2. His Excellency desires to express the deep regret he feels at having to announce to his lordship the death of the lamented Major-General Penny, C.B. This old and very deserving officer had remained patiently in the district for the last six weeks, at the head of his movable column, performing a most important service in the guard of the communications, while the force was much denuded of troops in consequence of the late operations.

