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WAR OFFICE, September 1, 1879.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross upon the undermentioned Officer of Her Majesty's Army, whose claim has been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for his gallant conduct at the action of Futtehabad, on the 2d April 1879, as recorded against his name:—

Regiment.	Name.	Act of Courage for which recommended.
Bengal Staff Corps	Lieutenant Walter Richard Pollock Hamilton	For conspicuous gallantry during the action at Futtehabad on the 2d April 1879, in leading on the Guide Cavalry in a charge against very superior numbers of the enemy, and particularly at a critical moment when his Commanding Officer (Major Wigram Battye) fell, Lieutenant Hamilton, then the only Officer left with the Regiment, assumed command and cheered on his men to avenge Major Battye's death. In this charge Lieutenant Hamilton, seeing Sowar Dowlut Ram down, and attacked by three of the enemy, whilst entangled with his horse (which had been killed), rushed to the rescue, and followed by a few of his men cut down all three and saved the life of Sowar Dowlut Ram.