

that he manifested the same Judgment, Spirit, and Zeal, which have so often distinguished him.

Lieutenant-Colonel Vandeleur, who commanded the 1st Brigade of Cavalry, brought his Corps into Action with the utmost Rapidity, and displayed the greatest Judgment and Gallantry in his repeated and vigorous Charges of the Enemy. His Majesty's 8th Regiment of Dragoons, commanded by Captain Abercrombie, and the 1st and 6th Regiments of Native Cavalry, the former commanded by Captain Welsh, and the latter by Captain Swinton, charged through different Bodies of the Enemy's Horse, with the greatest Resolution and Effect. A small Party of the 8th Dragoons, totally destroyed a considerable Body of Allygole Infantry, which formed Part of the Enemy's Force.

Lieutenant-Colonel Need, who commanded the Second Brigade, is likewise entitled to my highest Praise and Approbation. His Majesty's 27th and 29th Regiments of Light Dragoons, the former commanded by Captain Philpot, and the latter by Major Wade, and the 4th Regiment of Native Cavalry, commanded by Captain Elliott, attacked with the utmost Energy and Effect, the different Bodies of the Enemy to which they were opposed.

Lieutenant-Colonel Toone commanded the Advanced Guard, and deserves my Gratitude and Approbation for the Spirit and Activity which he displayed in that Situation.

I have great Satisfaction in reporting to your Lordship the very meritorious Conduct of Captain Browne, and the Corps of Horse Artillery under his Command, who, by the Rapidity of their Movements, were enabled to do great Execution. Capt. Browne's great Attention in the Management of his Corps, and his Zeal and Activity when called into Action, have on every Occasion merited my best Acknowledgments.

I cannot conclude this Dispatch without express-

ing to your Lordship the Satisfaction I have derived from the good Conduct of the Infantry, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Don. Though not present in the Affair of Yesterday, the Zeal and Patience with which they have supported the Fatigues of so arduous a March, deserve my warmest Thanks. Their Eagerness in the Pursuit would, there is no doubt, have been equalled by their Gallantry in the Attack of the Enemy, had they come up with them.

I have not yet ascertained completely where the Enemy have fled to, but all Accounts lead me to believe, that they are scattered over the Country, and no where collected in any considerable Numbers.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

(Signed) G. LAKE.

*Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing in the Action of the 17th Instant, 1804.*

8th Light Dragoons.—2 Rank and File, and 8 Horses, killed; 13 Rank and File, and 11 Horses, wounded; 8 Horses, missing.

27th Ditto.—1 Rank and File, and 3 Horses, wounded; 11 Horses, missing.

29th Ditto.—1 Horse, killed; 2 Horses, wounded; 5 Horses, missing.

Horse Artillery.—1 Bildar, 4 Lascars, 1 Syce, wounded; 12 Horses, missing.

1st Native Cavalry.—1 Horse, killed; 3 Horses, wounded.

4th Ditto.—1 Rank and File, wounded.

6th Ditto.—1 Lascar, and 3 Horses, killed; 1 Havildar, 2 Rank and File, 1 Syce, and 4 Horses, wounded; 3 Horses, missing.

Total.—1 Havildar, 19 Rank and File, 1 Bildar, 5 Lascars, 2 Syces, 75 Horses.

J. GERARD, Adjutant-General.

By Command of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor-General in Council.

J. LUMSDEN, Chief Sec. to Gov.

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