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DISPATCHES have been received at the East India-House, from the Governor in Council at Bombay, of which dispatches, and of their inclosures, the following are copies and extracts :

Extract from a Dispatch from the Governor in Council at Bombay to the Secret Committee, dated 6th February 1818.

SINCE our last letter to your Honourable Committee, dated the 23d of last month, the following dispatches have been received, copies of which we inclose :

From Sir Thomas Hislop to the Governor-General, dated the 19th December, on the subject of the action at Nagpore, of the 26th and 27th November; and

From Major-General Sir William Keir to the Adjutant-General of the Army, dated the 10th of last month, containing information of his movements in pursuit of the Pindarry Chieftain Cheetoo, and the result of an attempt to surprise him.

Extract from a Dispatch from Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Hislop to the Governor-General and Commander in Chief, dated Head-Quarters of the Army of the Deccan, Camp at Pan Behar, Seven Miles North of Ougein, 19th December 1817.

ON the 17th instant, I had the satisfaction of transmitting to your Lordship the official report of Brigadier-General Smith's recent operations against the Peishwah. It is now with additional pleasure that I have to lay before your Lordship the detailed accounts of a most brilliant action at Nagpore, in which the British interests at that capital have been gloriously maintained by the undaunted courage and perseverance of a small detachment of the 5th

division of the army, headed by Lieutenant-Colonel H. S. Scott*, of the Madras Establishment.

The General Order published to the army on this most gratifying occasion, will shew to your Lordship the sense I entertain of the admirable conduct of the troops engaged. Whether, indeed, I regard the vast superiority of the enemy's numbers and artillery, or the length of time during which our brave soldiers fought, until they repulsed the army of Nagpore, I feel assured that your Lordship will consider the action of the 26th and 27th of November as worthy of being recorded in the brightest page of our Indian annals, and the gallant troops who achieved the exploit entitled to the warmest gratitude and admiration of their Government.

It were endless, on such an occasion, to enumerate the names of those Officers whose situations enabled them particularly to distinguish themselves. The success which attended the efforts of his soldiers speaks more in proof of the intrepidity and conduct of their commander, Lieutenant-Colonel Scott, than any expression of praise, however unqualified, can convey; and the spirited exertions of Major Mackenzie, of the 1st battalion 20th regiment of Madras native infantry, have also been such as to deserve and to receive my best thanks and applause. I can, however, neither deny myself the satisfaction, nor Captain Fitzgerald the justice, of bringing to your Lordship's particular notice the undaunted and judicious charge made by three troops of the 6th regiment of Bengal cavalry; led on by that Officer, against an immense body of the enemy's horse, which were defeated, and their guns turned against them, at a moment the most critical to the result of the day.

Your Lordship will perceive by the returns† of

* Lieutenant-Colonel Scott's report of this affair was published in the London Gazette of 6th May, and a General Order of the Marquess of Hastings in the Gazette of 9th June 1818.

† These returns were published in the Gazette of the 6th of May.