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**T**HE following copy of a report from Lieutenant-Colonel Maxwell, of the East India Company's Service, to the Adjutant-General of the Army in Bengal, dated Camp, at Mongroule, October 1, 1821, has been received at the East India-House:

SIR,

FOR the information of His Excellency the Most Noble the Commander in Chief I have the honour to report, that Captain Tod, Political Agent in the Western Rajpoot States, intimated to me yesterday, all hopes of negotiation having failed, and that I was consequently at liberty to attack the Maharao\* Kishore Sing, but that it was politically expedient that the troops of the Raj Rana Zalim Sing should be principal, or at all events participate fully in the action. This morning both forces moved from their respective encampments at three and half-past three o'clock, for the purpose of engaging the enemy near Mongroule, and found him drawn up irregularly to the north of the town, with a nullah and broken ground in the rear. The cavalry, under the Maharao in person, upon the right, and his infantry or detached parties, with two guns, extending about three-fourths of a mile on the left, covered by a deep tank in front. On arriving within a quarter of a mile of his position, Captain Tod was desirous of once more giving the Maharao an opportunity of coming over, and requested operations might

\* Of Kotah.

be suspended pending his proposal, but this terminating like all former attempts, the action soon after commenced by the Raj Rana's artillery, and six pieces, under Captain Campbell, opening directly upon, and within three hundred and fifty yards of the Maharao, whose cavalry appeared devoted to destruction in his behalf; but the whole of the artillery was too well served to be resisted beyond a few minutes by the most determined enemy. Unfortunately the continuation of Zalim Sing's fire, longer than was actually necessary to break those opposed, prevented so immediate a charge or pursuit as might have been wished. On its cessation the troops crossed the nullah, and Major Ridge, with two squadrons 4th light cavalry, soon came in sight of the principal body of the enemy's cavalry, under the Maharao in person.

He immediately formed and charged with the greatest promptitude, but I am deeply concerned to add, with the loss of two brave enterprising young Officers, Lieutenants Reade and Adjutant Clerk, who nobly fell in the service of their country. Major Ridge was severely though not dangerously wounded by a sabre in his head, and much as all those who admire his distinguished gallantry must be concerned at his sufferings, yet considerable consolation arises from the assurance of its not being likely to keep him more than a few days from the able discharge of his duty. The enemy was followed up till twelve o'clock by all the troops, and Zalim Sing's horse were then directed to continue it so long as any hostile parties could be traced.