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THE following dispatches have been at various times received at the East India House, and are now inserted in the London Gazette, although previous publication has not taken place in India.

No. 1.

The Assistant Adjutant-General of the Army to the Secretary to the Government of India.

SIR,

Delhi, June 13, 1857.

IN continuation of letter of 27th ultimo, to your address, from the late Adjutant-General of the Army, reporting the death of the Commander-inchief on that day, I am now desired by Major-General T. Reed, C.B., commanding the forces in Bengal, to request that you will inform the Governor-General in Council that the Major-General having left Rawul Pindee on the 28th ultimo, reached the camp of the force under Major-General Sir H. Barnard, K.C.B., at Alleepore, one march from Delhi, about I A.M. of the 8th instant, when the troops were on the point of moving to drive in the posts of the mutineers outside Delhi.

- 2. Sir H. Barnard had been joined on the previous day by Brigadier A. Wilson with troops from Meerut, and on the 6th instant by the siege train with its escort, so that the total force in camp was as enumerated in the margin.*
- 3. I beg to inclose copies of the Major-General's two reports of the successful operations of this day, and am only to add that Major-General Reed entirely approves of the whole of the dispositions
- * 4 guns, 2nd Troop, 1st Brigade; 2nd and 3rd Troops, 3rd Brigade Horse Artillery; 3rd Company, 3rd Battalion, Artillery, and No. 14 Horse Field Battery; 4th Company, 6th Battalion, Artillery; Detachment Artillery Recruits; Head quarter's Detachment Sappers and Miners; Her Majesty's 9th Lancers; two Squadrons Her Majesty's 6th Dragoon Guards; Head-quarters and six Companies 60th Royal Rifles; Head-quarters and nine Companies of Her Majesty's 75th Regiment; 1st Bengal Fusiliers; Head-quarters and six Companies 2nd Fusiliers; Sirmoor Battalion,

made, and cordially concurs in the approbation bestowed on the officers and troops engaged, and particularly on those who are more especially mentioned.

- 4. The commander of the forces, I am to state, was unable from severe sickness and fatigue to accompany the troops, and in no way interfered with the arrangements of Sir H. Barnard, who was attended in the field by the head-quarters' staff.
- 5. Major-General Reed desires to express his deep regret at the loss of the Adjutant-General of the army, Colonel C. Chester, who was killed by a cannon-shot in the first advance on the enemy's heavy battery at Badulee Ke-Serai. The loss of this officer at the present juncture is deeply deplored by the Commander of the forces.
- 6. Since the arrival of the troops at Delhi, several affairs have taken place, in all of which the troops engaged have greatly distinguished themselves. The most important of these occurred yesterday morning, when our position was attacked in great force, and the enemy completely repulsed with much loss. Sir H. Barnard's report of this action is enclosed.
- 7. The Guide Corps, under Captain Daly, arrived on the morning of the 9th instant, having marched from Murdan in Eusufzaie, a distance of 580 miles in twenty-two days.
- 8. The Engineer and Artillery portions of the force have been actively employed in throwing up batteries, and in maintaing a fire on the city. The mutineers have mounted a very formidable Artillery, and their practice is excellent and usually well sustained; but the Major-General trusts ere long we shall be enabled to strike a decisive blow at the place.
- 9. In addition to the inclosures already referred to, I am directed to attach copies of Brigadier Wilson's reports of his two actions at Ghazee-oddeen Nuggur.

I have, &c.,

W. A. NORMAN, Lieutenant.