

ship "Shannon," and to offer his especial thanks to him for his remarkable services.

The Governor-General entirely concurs with his Excellency the Commander-in-chief, in prominently recognizing the great skill and ability of Brigadier Napier, who commanded the Engineers of Her Majesty's and the East India Company's Services forming part of the force. Brigadier Napier is especially entitled to the thanks of the Governor-General; and to him, to Colonel Harness, commanding the Royal Engineers, and to the several officers under them, of both the services, his Lordship's grateful acknowledgments are offered.

The Governor-General has much satisfaction in expressing his high sense of the merits of the several officers commanding Brigades and Regiments.

To the commanding officers of the Royal Artillery, of the Naval Artillery, and of the Bengal and Madras Artillery, the Governor-General tenders his cordial thanks.

To Major Norman, Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army, to whose superior merits and distinguished services the Commander-in-chief bears willing testimony, a tribute in which the Governor-General concurs; to Colonel the Honourable W. L. Pakenham, C.B., Officiating Adjutant-General, Her Majesty's Forces in India; to Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson, Officiating Quartermaster-General of the Army; to Captain Seymour, Officiating Quartermaster-General, Her Majesty's Forces; to Captain Bruce, Deputy Quartermaster-General, and Captain Algood, Assistant Quartermaster-General; to Lieutenant-Colonel Keith Young, Judge Advocate General; to Captain Fitzgerald, Assistant Commissary-General, who is specially mentioned by the Commander-in-chief; to Lieutenant P. Stewart, of Engineers, Superintendent of Electric Telegraphs; to Dr. MacAndrew, Inspector-General of Hospitals, Her Majesty's Forces, and to Dr. Brown, Superintending Surgeon of the Force;—the Governor-General has much satisfaction in expressing his sense of the good service they have rendered.

To the officers of the Personal Staff of the Commander-in-chief, of the Chief of the Staff, and of General Officers commanding Divisions, the thanks of the Governor-General are due; and his Lordship records his acknowledgments to the officers of the Staff of Divisions and Brigades, all of whom have zealously performed their duty.

To the officers and men of every service, soldiers, seamen, and marines, composing the force by which Lucknow has been taken, the Governor-General desires to express his admiration of their conduct, and to tender to each individual the thanks of the Government of India. His Lordship will take the earliest opportunity of bringing under the favourable notice of Her Majesty's Government, and of the Honourable the Court of Directors, the services rendered by the force.

In testimony of these services, the Governor-General is pleased to direct that every officer and soldier, European and Native, and the officers and men of the Navy, who took part in the capture of Lucknow, shall receive a donation of six months' batta.

By order of the Right Honourable the Governor-General,

R. J. H. BIRCH, Colonel,  
Secretary to the Government of India,  
Military Department, with the  
Governor-General.

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*The Commander-in-chief to the Governor-General of India.*

*Camp, La Martiniere, Lucknow,  
March 22, 1858.*

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honor to announce to your Lordship that I transferred my head-quarters to the camp of Brigadier-General Sir Edward Lugard, K.C.B., at Buntara, on the 28th ultimo; the Division which had been detached under Brigadier-General Sir J. Hope Grant, K.C.B., and that under Brigadier-General Walpole, joining the next day.

Having received tolerably correct information with respect to the lines of works which had been constructed by the enemy for the defence of Lucknow, it appeared evident to me that the necessity would arise for operating from both sides of the Goomtee when the capture of the city should be seriously entertained.

Two very important reasons conduced to show the expediency of such a course: the one being that it would become possible to enfilade many of the enemy's new works; the other, that great avenues of supply would be closed against the town, although I could not hope to invest a city having a circumference of twenty miles.

My first preparations, therefore, were made for the purpose of crossing the river. Bridges of casks had been previously constructed, and were ready in the Engineers' park.

On the 2nd of March, I advanced on Dilkoosha with troops as per margin,\* and seized that position after a skirmish, in which a gun was taken from the enemy.

When the brigades of Infantry began to close on the advance guard, the enemy opened several guns, which were in position in strong bastions, along the line of the canal. This fire was heavy and well sustained.

These guns commanded the plateau, and compelled me to retire the camp as far back as it was possible, but not so far as I could have wished, owing to the ravines in rear.

The Palace of Dilkoosha was occupied as an advance picquet on the right, and the Mahomedbagh on the left; heavy guns being placed in battery at both points to keep down the hostile fire.

\* *Detail.*

Head-quarters of the Division of Artillery, and of the Field Artillery Brigade, under Major-General Sir A. Wilson, K.C.B., and Colonel D. Wood, C.B., Royal Horse Artillery.

Lieutenant-Colonel D'Aguilar's troop, Royal Horse Artillery.

Lieutenant-Colonel Tombs, C.B., and Lieutenant Bishops Troops: Bengal Horse Artillery, under Lieutenant-Colonel Turner.

Two 24-pounders and two 8-inch howitzers of the "Shannon's" Naval Brigade; two companies, Punjaub Sappers and Miners.

The head-quarters of the Cavalry Division, and the 1st Cavalry Brigade under Brigadier-General Sir J. H. Grant, K.C.B., and Brigadier Little.

Her Majesty's 9th Lancers.

2nd Punjaub Irregular Cavalry.

Detachment of 5th Punjaub ditto.

1st Sikh Irregular Cavalry.

The 2nd Division of Infantry, under Brigadier-General Sir E. Lugard, K.C.B., consisting of—

3rd Brigade, Brigadier P. M. M. Guy: Her Majesty's 34th, 38th, and 53rd Regiments.

4th Brigade, Brigadier the Honorable A. Hope: 42nd and 93rd Highlanders, and 4th Punjaub Rifles.