

War-Office, 18th June, 1858.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to confirm the grant of the Decoration of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Men of Her Majesty's and of the East India Company's Armies, which Decoration has been provisionally conferred upon them by Major-General Sir James Outram, G.C.B., and by the late Major-General Henry Havelock, K.C.B., on account of Acts of Bravery performed by them in India, as recorded against their several names, in virtue of the power delegated to Generals commanding Corps, Divisions, or Brigades, by Her Majesty's Warrant of the 29th January, 1856, viz. :

Regiment or Corps.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
Royal Artillery ...	Captain (now Major) Francis Cornwallis Maude, C.B.	This officer steadily and cheerily pushed on with his men, and bore down the desperate opposition of the enemy, though with the loss of one-third of his Artillerymen. Sir James Outram adds, that this attack appeared to him to indicate no reckless or foolhardy daring, but the calm heroism of a true soldier, who fully appreciates the difficulties and dangers of the task he has undertaken; and that, but for Captain Maude's nerve and coolness on this trying occasion, the Army could not have advanced. (Extract from Field Force Orders of the late Major-General Havelock, dated 17th October, 1857.)
Bengal Artillery ...	Captain (now Lieutenant-Colonel) William Opherts Date of Act of Bravery, 25th September, 1857	For highly distinguished conduct on the 25th of September, 1857, when the troops penetrated into the city of Lucknow, in having charged on horseback, with Her Majesty's 90th Regiment, when gallantly headed by Colonel Campbell, it captured two guns in the face of a heavy fire of grape, and having afterwards returned, under a severe fire of musketry, to bring up limbers and horses to carry off the captured ordnance, which he accomplished. (Extract from Field Force Orders of the late Major-General Havelock, dated 17th October, 1857.)
78th Regiment ...	Lieutenant (now Captain) Herbert Taylor Macpherson Date of Act of Bravery, 25th September, 1857	For distinguished conduct at Lucknow, on the 25th September, 1857, in setting an example of heroic gallantry to the men of the regiment, at the period of the action, in which they captured two brass nine-pounders at the point of the bayonet. (Extract from Field Force Orders of the late Major-General Havelock, dated 17th October, 1857.)
78th Regiment ...	Assistant-Surgeon Valentine Munbee McMaster Date of Act of Bravery, 25th September, 1857	For the intrepidity with which he exposed himself to the fire of the enemy, in bringing in, and attending to, the wounded, on the 25th of September, at Lucknow. (Extract from Field Force Orders of the late Major-General Havelock, dated 17th October, 1857.)
84th Regiment ...	Serjeant-Major George Lambert Date of Acts of Bravery, 29th July, 16th August, and 25th September, 1857	For distinguished conduct, at Onao, on the 29th of July; at Bithoor, on the 16th of August; and at Lucknow, on the 25th of September. (Extract from Field Force Orders of the late Major-General Havelock, dated 17th October, 1857.)
1st Madras Fusiliers	Serjeant Patrick Mahoney Date of Act of Bravery, 21st September, 1857	For distinguished gallantry (whilst doing duty with the Volunteer Cavalry) in aiding in the capture of the Regimental Colour of the 1st Regiment Native Infantry, at Mungulwar, on the 21st of September, 1857. (Extract from Field Force Orders of the late Major-General Havelock, dated 17th October, 1857.)
84th Regiment ...	Lance - Corporal Abraham Boulger Date of Acts of Bravery, from 12th July to 25th Septem- ber, 1857	For distinguished bravery and forwardness, as a skirmisher, in all the twelve actions fought between 12th July, and 25th September, 1857. (Extract from Field Force Orders of the late Major-General Havelock, dated 17th October, 1857.)