

*War-Office, 24th December, 1858.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the Decoration of the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers of Her Majesty's Army and Indian Military Forces, whose claims to the same have been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief in India, on account of Acts of Bravery performed by them in that country, as recorded against their several names; viz:

Regiment or Corps.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended
9th Lancers...	Private P. Donohoe Date of Act of Bravery, 28th September, 1857	For having, at Bolundshahur, on the 28th of September, 1857, gone to the support of Lieutenant Blair, who had been severely wounded, and, with a few other men, brought that officer in safety through a large body of the enemy's cavalry. Despatch from Major-General Sir James Hope Grant, K.C.B., dated 8th April, 1858.)
9th Lancers...	Private J. Freeman Date of Act of Bravery, 10th October, 1857	For conspicuous gallantry on the 10th of October, 1857, at Agra, in having gone to the assistance of Lieutenant Jones, who had been shot, killing the leader of the enemy's cavalry, and defending Lieutenant Jones against several of the enemy. Despatch from Major-General Sir James Hope Grant, K.C.B., dated 8th April, 1858.
9th Lancers...	Private J. R. Roberts Date of Act of Bravery, 28th September, 1857	For conspicuous gallantry at Bolundshahur, on the 28th of September, 1857, in bringing a comrade, mortally wounded, through a street under a heavy musketry fire, in which service he was himself wounded. Despatch from Major-General Sir James Hope Grant, K.C.B., dated 8th April, 1858).
9th Lancers...	Lance-Corporal R. Kells Date of Act of Bravery, 28th September, 1857	For conspicuous bravery at Bolundshahur, on the 28th of September, 1857, in defending against a number of the enemy his commanding officer, Captain Drysdale, who was lying in a street with his collar-bone broken, his horse having been disabled by a shot, and remaining with him until out of danger. Despatch from Major-General Sir James Hope Grant, K.C.B., dated 8th April, 1858.
14th Light Dragoons (now of the 6th Dragoons)	Lieutenant (now Brevet-Major) James Leith Date of Act of Bravery, 1st April, 1858	For conspicuous bravery at Betwah, on the 1st of April, 1858, in having charged alone, and rescued Captain Need, of the same Regiment, when surrounded by a large number of rebel Infantry. Despatch from Major-General Sir Hugh Henry Rose, G.C.B., dated 28th April, 1858.
13th Regiment (1st Battalion)	Serjeant W. Napier Date of Act of Bravery, 6th April, 1858	For conspicuous gallantry near Azimghur, on the 6th of April, 1858, in having defended, and finally rescued, Private Benjamin Milnes, of the same Regiment, when severely wounded on the Baggage Guard. Serjeant Napier remained with him at the hazard of his life, when surrounded by Sepoys, bandaged his wound under fire, and then carried him in safety to the convoy. Despatch from Colonel Lord Mark Kerr, C.B., dated 2nd August, 1858.