

No. 28.

GENERAL ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF INDIA.

No. 577 of 1858.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General is pleased to direct the publication of the following Report from Colonel Evelegh, commanding a Moveable Force, of a successful action with the rebels at Morar Mow, in Oude, on the 8th November, 1858.

No. 29.

Colonel Evelegh.

SIR, *Camp at Simree, November 9, 1858.*

I HAVE the honour to state, for the information of the Major-General commanding Oude Field Force, that I marched from Poorwah with the troops named in the margin,* at five o'clock on the morning of the 8th instant, leaving a small force behind, for the protection of the town, under Major Bulwer, Her Majesty's 23rd R. W. F.

Having been informed, on the previous night, that Oomero Sing was in occupation of the village of Morar Mow, with about 4,000 men and 3 guns, 1,400 of whom were estimated to be cavalry, I advanced with 2 horse artillery guns and 400 cavalry, finding the approach to the village very difficult, and the surrounding country intersected with deep nullahs, and abounding in salt pits, especially about the vicinity of the village.

I ordered a troop of cavalry to the right and one to the left of Morar Mow, to turn his flank, and advanced with considerable difficulty with the remainder of the advanced force.

Hearing from Lieutenant Chamberlain, of the Oude Police Force, who was on the right, that

* 4 guns B. H. H. Artillery; 2 guns R. Artillery; Siege Train; 300 1st Seikh Cavalry; 424 3rd Police Cavalry; 236 5th ditto; 240 H.M.'s 20th Regt.; 250 H.M.'s 23rd R. W. F.; 190 H.M.'s 80th Regt.; 360 4th Police Infantry; 550 7th ditto.

the enemy was in retreat on that flank, I despatched another squadron in that direction, and galloped forward with the remainder.

On reaching the other side of the village, I sent the whole of the cavalry in pursuit, under Captain Jones, 1st Seikh Cavalry, the senior Officer, who pursued them for several miles, over almost impassable ground, and through thick crops and topes of trees.

The result was most satisfactory; two of the enemy's guns being captured, and about 100 men killed, chiefly sepoy of the Bengal Army, and a few of the 2nd Cavalry.

The Police Cavalry, under Lieutenant Chamberlain, and the 1st Seikh Cavalry, under Lieutenant Godby, behaved remarkably well.

Captain Jones, who commanded the whole, brings to my notice Lieutenant Stewart, of his corps, who particularly distinguished himself in a hand to hand encounter with some sepoy; also Naib Rissaldar Subhan Khan, who acted as his Orderly, and showed himself a true and daring soldier, and has been at all times most zealous in the Intelligence Department, and saved the lives of many of his officers when his regiment, the 9th Light Cavalry, mutinied at Sealkote; also Lance-Duffadar Sham Sing, who distinguished himself in an encounter with some sepoy.

Lieutenant Chamberlain, commanding the Police Cavalry, brings to my notice also Rissaldar Ummer Sing, of the 5th Cavalry, and Jemadar Purubdiah, of the 3rd, who was wounded when leading in a hand to hand fight, and showed a good example to his men.

I beg to thank Captain Jones for the zeal and activity he displayed with his force over most difficult ground.

Lieutenant Chamberlain, commanding the Police Cavalry, and those under his command, also merit my best thanks.

I beg to annex a list of the casualties and captured ordnance.

I have, &c.,

FRED. EVELEGH, Colonel,
Commanding Moveable Force.

No. 30.

RETURN of Ordnance, &c., captured from the Enemy, on the 8th day of November, 1858.

Camp Simree, November 9, 1858.

	1½-Pounder Iron Gun.	1-Pounder Iron Gun.	Limbers.	Bullocks	Ammunition.	Remarks.
Captured on the 8th November, 1858	1	1	2	8	A quantity unfit for use	A quantity of shot of all calibres found in the limber boxes, together with cartridges of native manufacture, quite unserviceable.

H. L. G. BRUCE, Major,
Commanding 1st Troop, 1st Brigade, H. A.