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THE Secretary of State for India in Council has received the following papers :

No. 1.

GENERAL ORDER.

Fort William, June 3, 1859.

No. 804 of 1859.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General in Council is pleased to direct the publication of the following report. from Captain Cleveland, commanding Field Detachment, of an attack on, and dispersion of, a body of rebels in the district of Gonda.

No. 2.

Captain G. Cleveland, 98th Regiment, commanding the Column, to Major Dillon, Brigade-Major, Camp Rumwarpore, three coss north of Gonda.

SIR,　　　　　　　　　　　　　　*April* 13, 1859.

FOR the information of Brigadier Horsford, C. B., commanding Field Force, Trans Gogra, I have the honour to make the following report. On arrival at Rumwarpore yesterday, I at once directed the Oude Police Sowars to proceed at a smart pace towards Durzie Gown, bearing S.S.W. to reconnoitre and gain information of the movement of Gojadhur Sing's Force, that had moved in that direction from this on the 11th instant, at 2 P.M., the Sowars returned with a Zimindar from the direction of Durzie Gown, who reported to me that the rebels were near there and about three coss distant, and numerically strong. I marched the column without delay, leaving a standing camp, protected by 100 rank and file Moradabad Levy. The distance proved to be beyond what I had been informed, and the column did not reach the Gonda and Fyzabad Road till 5½ P.M. I halted the column and moved forward with Sowars, to observe their position and to examine the country. The rebels were reported to be about 3,000 infantry and 400 cavalry, and I saw them scattered in all directions, the majority of them clustered together and protected by jungle

and the "Tyree" River. I was informed that I could only get my artillery near them by moving along the road towards Fyzabad, and breaking off to the right when clear of the jungle and river. I pushed on my guns accordingly, supported by 1st Company Rifle Brigade, 1st Company Punjaub Infantry and 25 Sowars, and placed this portion of my force under the charge of Captain Freemantle, Rifle Brigade, and 2nd in command on the field, conceiving that my presence would be much required with the Moradabad Levy. I advanced the levy, flanked by Police Sowars, to within 300 yards of the jungle, halted and galloped forward to take a glance at the nature of the jungle, and observed the jungle dotted with the rebels, armed with the ordinary musket and bayonet, and under cover, and sections here and there. Returning speedily I advanced a line of skirmishers consisting of four companies, with the same strength in support: the rebels were firing during this interval when the skirmishers pressed forward, cleared the jungle and drove the rebels across the river, which was knee deep at that part, which they had made for, with the object of crossing. The evening being now far advanced, and darkness gradually commencing, I retired my skirmishers without any man being touched. Withdrawing to the road, I threw out a chain of sentries and picquets to protect the guns and supports on their return along the Fyzabad Road towards Gonda.

I beg to forward, enclosed, a report from Captain Fremantle, 2nd Rifle Brigade. My best thanks are due to that officer, as well as the officers in command of the separate detachments and the men under them. I am also indebted to Assistant-Commissioner King, accompanying the column, and my thanks are due to him, for his assistance given.

I have the satisfaction of bringing to the Brigadier's notice the very steady behaviour of the Moradabad Levy, who did their work well, and I would beg expressly to mention, it was the first time the levy has been under fire.

Ensign and Adjutant Gill, Moradabad Levy, I would wish particularly to bring to the Brigadier's notice, who, though in a very weak state from sickness, accompanied the column and rendered me every assistance.

I attach a casualty return, which is small ; the enemy must have suffered, yet I am unable to say to what extent, owing to darkness overtaking us.