

War-Office, 21st November, 1859.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the under-mentioned Officer, Non-Commissioned Officer, and Private, of Her Majesty's 32nd Regiment of Foot, whose claims to the same have been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, on account of Acts of Bravery performed by them at Lucknow, in India, as recorded against their several names; viz. :—

Regiment.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
32nd Regiment	Lieutenant(now Brevet-Major) Samuel Hill Lawrence Date of Acts of Bravery, 7th July, and 26th September, 1857	For distinguished bravery in a Sortie on the 7th of July, 1857, made, as reported by Major Wilson, late Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General of the Lucknow Garrison, "for the purpose of examining a house strongly held by the Enemy, in order to discover whether or not a mine was being driven from it." Major Wilson states that he saw the attack, and was an eye-witness to the great personal gallantry of Major Lawrence on the occasion, he being the first person to mount the ladder, and enter the window of the house, in effecting which he had his pistol knocked out of his hand by one of the Enemy:—also, for distinguished gallantry in a Sortie, on the 26th of September, 1857, in charging with two of his men, in advance of his Company, and capturing a 9-pounder gun.
32nd Regiment	Corporal William Oxenham, Date of Act of Bravery, 30th June, 1857	For distinguished gallantry in saving the life of Mr. Capper, of the Bengal Civil Service, by extricating him from the ruins of a Verandah which had fallen on him, Corporal Oxenham being for ten minutes exposed to a heavy fire, while doing so.
32nd Regiment	Private William Dowling Date of Acts of Bravery, 4th and 9th July, and 27th September, 1857	For distinguished gallantry on the 4th of July, 1857, in going out with two other men, since dead, and spiking two of the Enemy's guns. He killed a Soubadar of the Enemy by one of the guns. Also, for distinguished gallantry on the 9th of the same month, in going out again with three men, since dead, to spike one of the Enemy's guns. He had to retire, the spike being too small, but was exposed to the same danger. Also, for distinguished bravery, on the 27th of September, 1857, in spiking an 18-pounder gun during a Sortie, he being at the same time under a most heavy fire from the Enemy.

Whitehall, November 17, 1859.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed John Henry Kays, of Colney Hatch, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PARTS OF ACT BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF LIVERPOOL.

WHEREAS portions of certain sections of the Local Government Act, 1858, that is to say, the Sub-Division numbered 4 of the 32nd section, namely, "The Local Board may make bye-laws for the prevention of nuisances arising from any snow, filth, dust, ashes, and rubbish, within their

district, or of the keeping of animals, so as to be injurious to the public health;" and also the following portions of the 34th section of the said Act, namely, "Every Local Board may make bye-laws with respect to the following matters, that is to say, with respect to the structure of walls of new buildings, for securing stability and the prevention of fires; with respect to the sufficiency of the space about buildings to secure a free circulation of air, and with respect to the ventilation of buildings; with respect to the drainage of buildings, to water-closets, privies, ash-pits, and cess-pools in connexion with buildings, and to the closing of buildings, or parts of buildings, unfit for human habitation, and to prohibition of their use for such habitation: And they may further provide for the observance of the same by enacting therein such provisions as they think necessary as to the giving of notices, as to the