to replace casualties in N-5th, Lieutenant-Colonel Harness' battery. A dozen farriers or good shoeing smiths are urgently required for the several columns, and two additional veterinary surgeons for depôt duty would be very valuable.

If the reinforcements asked for are sent out at once they will arrive at the most favourable time for campaigning, namely, at the end of the rainy season.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) CHELMSFORD,

Lieutenant-General.

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