

German Lutheran Church, Cleveland-street,
Minister and Churchwardens.

German Hospital, Dalston, President, Vice-
President, and Committee.

Scarborough, Cabmen.

Stockport Town Council.

Rothsay Town Council.

Yeovil Town Council.

Lanark Presbytery.

National Union of Elementary Teachers.

Walsall Science and Art Institute.

Royal Literary Fund.

Gateshead Town Council.

Southport Town Council.

The Orphan Working School Corporation.

Leicester Quarter Sessions.

Westmoreland Grand Jury.

Members of Gray's Inn.

Inverness Commissioners of Supply, Heritors,
and Justices of the Peace.

Some Emigrants in Missouri, United States of
America.

Lincoln, Parts of Kesteven Quarter Sessions.

Salford Corporation.

Cambridge Justices of the Peace.

Kinross Commissioners of Supply.

Forfarshire Commissioners of Supply.

Dutch Church of London.

Perthshire Commissioners of Supply and Road
Trustees.

Basingstoke, Mayor and Corporation.

Pontefract, Mayor and Corporation.

Royal College of Surgeons, England.

St. Thomas' Hospital, Governors.

Chelmsford Local Board.

Carmarthenshire Justices of the Peace.

Royal Maternity Charity.

Congleton, Mayor and Corporation.

Kinghorn, Provost, Magistrates, and Council.

Haverfordwest Town Council.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne Presbytery.

London Presbytery.

Neath Town Council.

Teddington Local Board.

Oxford University, Chancellor, Masters, and
Scholars.

Dover Union Board of Guardians.

Peebles, Provost, Magistrates, and Town
Council.

South of Scotland Chamber of Commerce.

Macclesfield Town Council.

Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council.

Coachmakers' Company.

Kirkcaldy Presbytery.

Cardigan, Magistrates and Grand Jury.

Botanical Society of Edinburgh.

Orangemen of the Borough of Lisburn.

Shipwrights' Company.

Stroud Local Board of Health.

Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants,
South East Branch.

Eye Town Council.

Down Provincial Grand Masonic Lodge.

Hamilton Presbytery.

Province of Canterbury, Archbishop, Bishops,
and Clergy.

Hereford Grand Jury.

Loyal Orangemen of England, St. Helen's
District.

Newtownards Loyal Orange Lodge.

Woodstock, Mayor and Corporation.

Stirling Commissioners of Supply.

Coleraine District Lodge of Good Templars.

India Office, March 20, 1879.

THE following Despatches have been received
at the India Office:—

From Major-General F. S. Roberts, C.B., V.C.,
Commanding the Kuram Field Force, to the
Quartermaster-General in India, Army Head
Quarters.—(Dated Camp Matun, Khost Valley,
the 10th January, 1879.)

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the informa-
tion of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief
and of the Government of India, the following
narrative of the circumstances attending the occu-
pation of the Khost District by the force under
my command.

2. On the 2nd January I marched from Hazar
Pir with the undermentioned troops; viz:—

Squadron 10th Royal Hussars.

Wing 72nd Highlanders (200 men).

Three troops 5th Punjab Cavalry.

No. 1 Mountain Battery.

No. 2

21st Punjab Native Infantry.

28th Punjab Native Infantry.

Colonel Barry Drew (with the 1st Infantry Brigade
Staff) was in command of the infantry portion of
the column, Colonel H. Gough, C.B., V.C., of
the Cavalry, and Lieutenant-Colonel A. Lindsay,
R.A., of the Artillery.

3. The first march, 10½ miles, was to Jaji
Maidan. The road passed over open rolling hills,
and presented no difficulties: it could easily be
made practicable for wheeled guns.

Jaji Maidan consists of a cluster of about ten
small villages situated in a basin formed by low
hills.

The troops had to encamp in the rice fields,
which are dry and suitable for the purpose at this
season, but it would be almost impossible to place
troops any where near the village during rainy
weather. The people of Jaji Maidan were very
civil, and the camp was abundantly supplied with
fuel, milk, fowls, &c.

4. The next day the column marched to Nar,
one of the Bakh group of villages at the northern
end of the Khost District. The road lay for five
miles up an open valley with low hills on each side,
easily accessible by infantry, and with several
small villages scattered about, until a kotal, or
pass was reached which commanded a view of
part of the Khost Plain. The ascent to the Kotal
is easy and open, but the descent on the Khost
side is, for a short distance, very rough and steep.
The hills close in on the road at this point, and
though they are easily practicable for infantry,
and are free from forest, yet the broken nature of
the ground renders this part of the route defen-
sible, and if held by an enemy, strong detachments
of infantry would be required to crown the heights
on each side of the pass.

These remarks apply, of course, with increased
force to an advance made from below, *i.e.*, the
Khost side. This difficult part of the road only
continues for about four miles, when the bed of a
wide nullah is reached, which opens gradually.
The total distance from Jaji Maidan to the village
of Nar is about 11 miles.

5. As I had received information that the
Mangals might possibly attempt to attack my
baggage while marching through the pass, and as
the camels could not possibly arrive in our camp
until long after dark, I resolved to halt the Com-
missariat convoy (which carried 15 days' pro-
visions for the column, and consisted of nearly
900 camels) at the village of Dhani, situated about
a mile on the Jaji Maidan side of the Kotal. A