

Private M. M. Moreton, 2nd Battalion 4th Foot, consumption, 3rd March, Ladysmith.  
 Private J. Jones, 99th Foot, fever, 3rd March, Fort Pearson.  
 Private F. Gooding, 2nd Battalion 3rd Foot, fever, 4th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Private Farr, 2nd Battalion 24th Foot, fever, 4th March, Rorke's Drift.  
 Private C. Foster, 2nd Battalion 24th Foot, fever, 6th March, Rorke's Drift.  
 Private D. Weightman, 1st Battalion 13th Foot, fever, 6th March, Utrecht.  
 Drummer F. Maudy, Royal Engineers, fever, 6th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Private J. Kennedy, 1st Battalion 13th Foot, fever, 7th March, Kambula Hill.  
 Private P. Murphy, 2nd Battalion 4th Foot, fever, 8th March.  
 Private T. Swaffer, 2nd Battalion 3rd Foot, fever, 9th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Driver Bracken, Royal Artillery, fever, 9th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Private T. Jones, 2nd Battalion 24th Foot, fever, 10th March, fever, Rorke's Drift.  
 Sergeant D. Jones, 2nd Battalion 24th Foot, 10th March, fever, Rorke's Drift.  
 Lance-Corporal C. Frower, 2nd Battalion 24th Foot, 12th March, fever, Rorke's Drift.  
 Colour-Sergeant W. Cuthbert, 2nd Battalion 24th Foot, fever, 12th March, Rorke's Drift.  
 Private H. Halliday, 2nd Battalion 4th Foot, dysentery, 16th March, Greytown.

Quartermaster-Sergeant J. Cooke, Royal Artillery, fever, 16th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Lieutenant A. S. C. Davison, 99th Foot, fever, 27th March, Ekowe.

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Durban, Natal, 31st March, 1879.

*Colonial Return of Casualties by Decease from 1st January to 31st March, 1879.*

Trooper Dixon, Newcastle Rifles, drowned, 12th January, Rorke's Drift.  
 Lieutenant John P. Griffis, Natal Native Contingent, dysentery, 20th January, Fort Tenedos.  
 Sergeant J. Lyons, Natal Native Contingent, dysentery, 22nd February, Stanger.  
 Trooper H. Smith, Natal Mounted Police, suicide, 27th February, Helpmakaar.  
 Private Schaal, Wood's Irregulars, fever, 2nd March, Van Standen's Farm.  
 Private J. B. Hay, Natal Carbineers, fever, 4th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Captain Gubbins, Natal Native Contingent, fever, 5th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Trooper Nagles, Natal Mounted Police, fever, 17th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Trooper P. Hayes, Natal Mounted Police, fever, 20th March, Helpmakaar.  
 Lieutenant W. Murray, Natal Native Contingent, dysentery, 25th March, Pietermaritzburg.

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*War Office, May 2, 1879.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned Officers and Soldiers of Her Majesty's Army, whose claims have been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for their gallant conduct in the defence of Rorke's Drift, on the occasion of the attack by the Zulus, as recorded against their names, viz. :—

Regiment.	Names.	Acts of Courage for which recommended.
Royal Engineers ... 2nd Battalion 24th Regiment	Lieutenant (now Captain and Brevet Major) J. R. M. Chard Lieutenant (now Captain and Brevet Major) G. Bromhead	For their gallant conduct at the defence of Rorke's Drift, on the occasion of the attack by the Zulus on the 22nd and 23rd January, 1879.  The Lieutenant-General commanding the troops reports that, had it not been for the fine example and excellent behaviour of these two Officers under the most trying circumstances, the defence of Rorke's Drift post would not have been conducted with that intelligence and tenacity which so essentially characterised it. The Lieutenant-General adds, that its success must, in a great degree, be attributable to the two young Officers who exercised the Chief Command on the occasion in question.
2nd Battalion 24th Regiment	Private John Williams ...	Private John Williams was posted with Private Joseph Williams, and Private William Horrihan, 1st Battalion 24th Regiment, in a distant room of the hospital, which they held for more than an hour, so long as they had a round of ammunition left: as communication was for the time cut off, the Zulus were enabled to advance and burst open the door; they dragged out Private Joseph Williams and two of the patients, and assailed them. Whilst the Zulus were occupied with the slaughter of these men a lull took place, during which Private John Williams, who, with two patients, were the only men now left alive in this ward, succeeded in knocking a hole in the partition, and in taking the two patients into the next ward, where he found Private Hook.