

9. Major-General Sir H. T. Macpherson, V.C., K.C.B., Commanding the Indian Contingent, is a pillar of strength in any army with which he serves. His varied experience of war, and the confidence he inspires in all under his command, mark him out as a divisional leader to whom the honour of our arms and the lives of Her Majesty's soldiers can at all times be safely entrusted.

He speaks in high terms of his Staff whose names are given below:—

Lieutenant F. C. E. Childers, Royal Artillery, Aide-de-Camp.

Major A. B. Morgan, Norfolk Regiment, Assistant Adjutant-General.

Captain H. Melliss, Bombay Staff Corps, Assistant Quartermaster-General.

Major A. C. Toker, Bengal Staff Corps, Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General.

Captain E. R. Elles, Royal Artillery, Deputy-Assistant Quartermaster-General.

Lieutenant J. M. Grierson, Royal Artillery, Deputy-Assistant Quartermaster-General.

10. Colonel C. Ashburnham, C.B., King's Royal Rifles, Aide-de-Camp, who acted as a Brigadier at Tel-el-Kebir, led his Brigade upon that occasion to my entire satisfaction.

11. Colonel H. S. Jones, as Colonel on the Staff, commanded the Battalion of Royal Marine Light Infantry, and also the battalion of Royal Marine Artillery. He did his duty at all times with zeal and ability; the executive command of the Battalion of Royal Marine Light Infantry devolving upon Lieutenant-Colonel S. J. Graham.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. B. Tuson, of the Royal Marine Artillery, is a very good officer. Both these battalions have done excellent service; their discipline in camp and steadiness in action leave nothing to be desired.

12. Brigadier-General O. V. Tanner, C.B., Commanding Infantry Brigade of the Indian Contingent, has been specially brought to my notice by Major-General Sir H. Macpherson for the able manner in which he led his brigade.

13. Major-General D. C. Drury-Lowe, C.B., has commanded the Cavalry Division with great skill and success throughout the campaign, and I have great pleasure in strongly recommending him to your most favourable consideration. His pursuit of the enemy and occupation of Cairo the day after the battle of Tel-el-Kebir is worthy of every praise. I believe the preservation of the city is owing to the splendid forced march made by the Cavalry on that occasion. The Staff of the Cavalry Division was as follows:—

Captain C. E. Swaine, 11th Hussars, Aide-de-Camp.

Captain Viscount St. Vincent, 16th Lancers, Aide-de-Camp.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. Stewart, 3rd Dragoon Guards, Assistant-Adjutant and Quartermaster-General.

Lieutenant-Colonel M. G. Gerard, Bengal Staff Corps, Deputy Assistant-Adjutant and Quartermaster-General.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. McCalmont, 7th Hussars, Brigade Major, 1st Cavalry Brigade.

Major S. D. Barrow, Bengal Staff Corps, Brigade-Major, 2nd Cavalry Brigade.

14. The soldierlike qualities of Brigadier-General Sir Baker Russell, K.C.M.G., C.B., are so well known that it is unnecessary for me to enlarge upon them. He is a born cavalry leader.

15. Brigadier-General Wilkinson, who commanded the 2nd Brigade of Cavalry (Native Cavalry) is a very zealous officer, and his frequent reconnaissances of the enemy's position at Tel-el-Kebir were very well carried out.

16. Before passing from the Cavalry Division, I must bring prominently to your notice the name of Lieutenant-Colonel H. Stewart, 3rd Dragoon Guards, Assistant Adjutant-General to the Cavalry Division, one of the best Staff Officers I have ever known, and one whom I feel it will be in the interest of the Army to promote. General Drury-Lowe has written to me about him in the highest terms, especially remarking upon the tact with which he conducted the surrender of Cairo, and of the garrison of that city.

17. I would also venture to mention the names of Lieutenant-Colonel M. G. Gerard, of the Bengal Staff Corps, who was Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General to the Cavalry Division, and of Lieutenant-Colonel H. McCalmont, 7th Hussars, and of Major S. D. Barrow, Bengal Staff Corps, the Brigade-Majors of the two Cavalry Brigades, all of whom are good soldiers.

18. General Drury-Lowe also speaks in the highest praise of Lieutenant-Colonel G. B. Borradaile, Royal Horse Artillery, who ably commanded the battery permanently attached to his Division.

19. The Royal Artillery and Royal Engineer Staff, composed as follows, have done their work to my satisfaction:—

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

Brigadier-General W. H. Goodenough.

Captain G. B. N. Martin, Aide-de-Camp.

Major A. G. Yeatman-Biggs, Brigade-Major.

Captain H. S. Dalbiac, Acting Aide-de-Camp during absence of Major Yeatman-Biggs.

At the Battle of Tel-el-Kebir, Brigadier-General Goodenough commanded and directed with much skill the movements of 42 guns which formed the centre of our second line. He is an excellent officer. He speaks in very high terms of the valuable services rendered to him by his Brigade-Major, Major Yeatman-Biggs, and by his Aide-de-Camp, Captain G. B. Martin, who acted as Brigade-Major to the Artillery when Major Yeatman-Biggs was incapacitated by illness.

Royal Engineers.

Brigadier-General C. B. P. N. H. Nugent, C.B.

Captain S. Waller, Aide-de-Camp.

Major T. Fraser, C.M.G., Brigade-Major.

20. The Staff of the two Infantry Divisions, including the Brigade-Majors and Aides-de-Camp to the Brigadiers, consisted of:—

1st Division.

Lieutenant-General G. H. S. Willis, C.B.

Captain W. C. James, 2nd Dragoons, Aide-de-Camp.

Lieutenant A. E. Codrington, Coldstream Guards, Aide-de-Camp.

Colonel R. R. Gillespie, Assistant-Adjutant and Quartermaster-General.

Major H. J. T. Hildyard, Highland Light Infantry, Deputy Assistant-Adjutant and Quartermaster-General.

Major W. C. F. Molyneux, Cheshire Regiment, Deputy Assistant-Adjutant and Quartermaster-General.

Captain I. J. C. Herbert, Grenadier Guards, Brigade-Major, 1st Brigade.

Captain R. C. Hare, Cheshire Regiment, Brigade-Major, 2nd Brigade.

Captain W. H. Holbeck, King's Royal Rifles, Brigade-Major, 2nd Brigade.

Major R. B. Lane, Rifle Brigade, Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier-General, 1st Brigade.

Major R. C. Hart, V.C., R.E., Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier-General 2nd Brigade.

Of the above excellent officers I would especially bring to your notice the name of Colonel R. R.