18. In this connection I must acknowledge the invaluable services rendered to the commander of this column, and to the troops composing it generally, by Major F. D. Raikes, C.I.E., Political Officer with the Force, who did everything in his power to help on the expedition and to meet the requirements of the troops.

19. For specially valuable service with the Mogaung Field Force, I would name Captain H. O'Donnell, 44th Gúrkha Light Infantry, Commandant Mogaung Police Battalion, who was entrusted with the command of this column; and though of junior rank, he has justified the selection by discharging the duty entrusted to him with judgment, dash, and success. His command was a large and important one, including 2 guns of a Bengal Mountain Battery, 50 rifles of the Hampshire Regiment, and the Gúrkha Police Battalion. I recommend him specially for the advancement in the service for which he has proved himself so qualified. The result of his work has been that 98 villages around Mogaung previously in a state of rebellion have formally submitted.

20. Of the other officers with this column I would beg to mention Captain R. P. Macdonald, 1st Battalion Hampshire Regiment. This officer rendered very valuable service in the earlier phases of the campaign when he belonged to the 2nd Battalion Hampshire Regiment. On this occasion he volunteered to serve under his junior officer, Captain O'Donnell, to whom the command of the Mogaung Field Force had been given, rather than lose the opportunity of active service. His excellent service on this and former occasions in Upper Burma deserves special recognition.

21. Lieutenant T. C. Benson, Royal Munster Fusiliers, has done very useful work in Burma as Superintendent of Signalling. He volunteered for service at Mogaung with the police levy when an officer was required for that work. Captain O'Donnell speaks of his services during the operations round Mogaung in the highest terms. I commend him to the notice of the Commander-in-Chief.

Surgeon C. S. Cronin, Medical Staff, has also earned mention in this despatch by his devotion to duty and care of the wounded.

22. Lieutenant Charles H. Clements, Madras Staff Corps, Deputy Assistant Commissary-General, has accompanied columns sent out from Bhamo to Mogaung for two successive years. Colonel Little, commanding at Bhamo, has written in high terms of the value of his assistance in organizing the supply and transport of these expeditions—arrangements upon which their success mainly depended. This year he also acted as Staff Officer to the officer commanding the column, who has brought his valuable services to notice.

23. Of the officers named by Brigadier-General Collett for specially good service with the Karenni Expedition, I submit the names of:—

24. Lieutenant M. F. Tighe, 27th Bombay Infantry. General Collett brings this officer's name very prominently forward, for dashing and most successful leading of the Mounted Infantry throughout the operations, and places him first on his list of recommendations.

25. Colonel G. C. Sartorius, commanding the 27th Bombay Infantry, has done valuable service in Upper Burma, especially in the operations during May and June, 1888, when the rebel leader Twet-na-Lu was captured, and in the late Karenni Expedition. He is also entitled to special mention as Commandant of the 27th Bombay Infantry, the conduct of which, on every occasion in the field, has earned the highest commendation from all associated with it.

26. Lieutenant F. J. Fowler, 27th Bombay Infantry, distinguished himself in July, 1888, by driving a superior force of Karens out of their entrenchments. These Karens had invaded the Shan State of Maukmé, which was under British protection. This attack was made on the sole responsibility of this young officer; and the operations, conducted by him during heavy rains and with fever-stricken men, were most successful in their results.

27. Captain F. J. Pink, 2nd Battalion The Queen's Regiment, served as Staff Officer to General Collett throughout the Karenni Expedition, and has been reported on most highly by that General Officer. He also served under Brigadier-General Lockhart in the former phases of the campaign in Upper Burma, and was equally well reported on by him.

28. I have made the gallant conduct of Surgeon J. Crimmin, I.M.S., with the Karenni Field Force, the subject of a special report and recommendation.

29. The following officers who took part in the Karenni Expedition have also earned mention in this despatch:—

Major C. H. B. Norcott, 1st Battalion Rifle Brigade.

Captain F. Beaufort, Royal Artillery.

Lieutenant A. H. Morris, 2nd Battalion Royal Irish Regiment.

Captain H. M. Jackson, Royal Engineers.

30. I would here recommend Lieutenant-Colonel J. J. Harvey, South Wales Borderers, for consideration. He commanded the column from Lower Burma which co-operated with General Collett's column. That General Officer reports that he rendered excellent service.

31. Of officers who have distinguished themselves above their fellows on occasions other than the three field forces previously alluded to, I would mention Lieutenant C. W. B. Farrant, Royal Munster Fusiliers, whose continued exertions with the Mounted Infantry in the Sagaing district have done much towards the improved condition of that district.

32. The following officers also deserve mention:—

Lieutenant J. O'B. Minogue, Royal Munster Fusiliers.

Captain F. R. B. Knox, 4th Regiment Hyderabad Cavalry.

Lieutenant S. M. Mason, 4th Regiment Hyderabad Cavalry.

Lieutenant H. King, 33rd Bengal Infantry.

Captain E. A. Smith, Royal Artillery, Commanding No. 2 Bengal Mountain Battery.

Major Francis Howard, Rifle Brigade.

Major T. E. Spencer, 17th Bengal Infantry.

Major C. W. J. Hingston, 10th Bengal Infantry.

33. It is now my duty to bring prominently to the notice of the Commander-in-Chief the following officers of the Divisional Staff who have been associated with me in the work in Upper Burma.

34. Colonel A. B. Morgan, C.B., has been my principal Staff Officer for two years, and has during that period rendered me most valuable assistance; his work has been both arduous and responsible, and I cannot speak too highly of the ability, loyalty, and success with which it has been carried out. He is now entering upon the duties of Senior Staff Officer in all Burma, which I venture to class as the most responsible