

when he took charge in December, 1889. He has worked hand in hand with the commanding officers at Fort White and in the Kalé Valley, and has been most successful, under my instructions, in bringing about the surrender and submission of the proud and obstinate Northern Chins.

My special thanks are also due to Mr. A. S. Fleming, Chief Commissioner of Pakökku, for his assistance in supplying transport and accommodation for the troops along the lower lines of communication.

63. The campaign has not been one in which regimental officers have had many opportunities of especially distinguishing themselves. Its characteristic has been incessant hard work. In this, and in looking after their men, the officers as a body have entirely satisfied me. The brunt of the work and responsibility has been borne by the staff and departmental officers.

64. I beg to submit the names of the following officers who have rendered specially valuable services to the Burma columns of the Expeditionary Force:—

(1.) Colonel C. McD. Skene, D.S.O., commanding the 42nd Gurkha Light Infantry, the Chin Hills, and the Northern Column, has well sustained a reputation previously gained for command.

(2.) Major G. Henry, Royal Engineers. This officer, as my Commanding Royal Engineer, and for some time second-in-command, has rendered me most valuable assistance. I cannot speak too highly of the ability and devotion with which he has thrown himself into his work. I commend his services for special recognition.

(3.) Lieutenant E. J. Lugard, 42nd Gurkha Light Infantry, served with distinction in the Chin Expedition of 1888-89, and has displayed conspicuous gallantry and intelligence in leading his men on several occasions during the operations of this season.

(4.) First-Grade Officer G. E. Holland, Her Majesty's Indian Marine Service, to whose skilfully applied exertions are entirely due, the placing of 600 tons of rations in Kan by water,—a most arduous undertaking, successfully carried out.

(5.) Captain A. H. Clark-Kennedy, Madras Staff Corps, has very ably fulfilled the responsible duties of Chief Commissariat Officer.

(6.) Lieutenant A. H. Morris, Royal Irish Regiment, Transport Officer with the Southern Column, has done particularly good service in his department. I consider him the best animal-transport officer that I have ever met. His services are especially worthy of record and reward.

(7.) Brigade-Surgeon E. C. Markey, Medical Staff, as my Principal Medical Officer, has had responsible duties. I commend him for his administrative abilities.

From amongst the thirty medical officers who have served with the force on the Burma side, it is difficult, where all did well, to single individuals for special mention; but—

(8.) Surgeon-Major G. D. Bourke, Medical Staff.

(9.) Surgeon F. A. Rogers, 42nd Gurkha Light Infantry, senior medical officer with the Northern Column, and

(10.) Surgeon W. H. Bean, Medical Staff, having displayed skill, zeal, and energy in their duties, have fallen prominently under my notice.

The following officers have also deservedly earned mention in this despatch for their good service:

Colonel J. K. Clubley, commanding the 2nd Madras Infantry and lines of communication.

Major G. O. Stoney, 1st Battalion King's Own Scottish Borderers, who commanded the detachment of his regiment, and was second in command of the Southern Column for some time before invalidated.

Captain E. D. Pickard-Cambridge, Bedfordshire Regiment, Superintendent of Army Signalling.

Captain J. G. Hunter, 10th Bengal Infantry; Lieutenant T. F. B. Renny-Tailyour, R.E., Survey Officer;

Lieutenant E. W. M. Norie, Middlesex Regiment, Field Intelligence Officer;

Lieutenant D. B. Thomas, 1st Battalion Cheshire Regiment, for distinguished leading;

Lieutenant W. H. Hildebrand, 27th Bengal Infantry, Hill-Cooly Transport Officer;

Lieutenant F. H. S. Thomas, Madras Staff Corps, Assistant Commissariat Officer, Northern Column; and

Veterinary-Surgeon G. H. Evans, Army Veterinary Department.

The name of Major Gordon-Cumming, 1st Battalion Cheshire Regiment, would have been added to those mentioned for good services, had he not been killed in action.

It remains only for me to bring to prominent notice the names and services of my personal Staff:

Major H. W. Ind, Royal Artillery, has been my senior Staff Officer. The ability with which he has supported me has won my warm regard. His advancement would be a distinct gain to the service.

Captain C. W. W. Burton, Madras Staff Corps, Junior Staff Officer, has ably assisted Major Ind, and worked hard for the success of the expedition.

Lieutenant J. M. Stewart, 5th Gurkha Regiment, acted as my orderly officer, and gave me loyal assistance. I consider him a young officer of great promise, one whose military career is well worthy of watching and encouragement.

65. The campaign was officially closed on the 30th April, 1890.

From Brigadier-General V. W. Tregear, Commanding the Chittagong Column, Chin-Lushai Expedition, to the Adjutant General in India, —(No. 476, dated Calcutta, the 31st May, 1890).

THE operations of the Chittagong Column, Chin-Lushai Expedition, having been brought to a conclusion, I have the honour to submit the following report for the information of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief:

2. Composition of Force.—The force under my command was composed of the following troops:—

Corps.	Total Strength in Officers and Men.
No. 2 Company, Bengal Sappers and Miners	177
3rd Bengal Infantry	821
Detachment 9th Bengal Infantry	301
2-2nd (P. W. O.) Gurkha Regiment	779
Half Battalion, 2-4th Gurkha Regiment	369
28th Bombay Infantry (Pioneers)	731
Detachment, Chittagong Frontier Police	202
Total	3,380

Cachar Column.—Four hundred men of the Cachar Military Police.

The transport consisted of—  
2,511 Punjabi coolies.  
782 local                   "  
2,196 mules.  
71 elephants.