

- 1-4th Gurkha Rifles.
 3345 Rifleman Dalsingh Thapa, severe, gunshot, left buttock.
 1-5th Gurkha Rifles.
 82 Bugler Kesar Thapa, slight, gunshot, right buttock.
 3384 Rifleman Hira Singh Thapa, severe, gunshot, right foot.
 38th (Dogras) Bengal Infantry.
 902 Sepoy Jiwan, slight, gunshot.
 2nd Punjab Infantry.
 Followers.
 — Muleteer Ghulam Muhammad, severe, gunshot, right thigh.
 W. S. A. LOCKHART, Lieut.-Genl.,
 Commanding Waziristan Field Force.
 Abbottabad, the 30th March, 1895.

India Office, June 29, 1895.

THE following General Orders, dated 26th April, 1895, and 10th May, 1895 (three of the latter date), with Despatches from Lieutenant-General Sir R. C. Low, K.C.B., regarding the operations of the Chitral Relief Force, have been received from the Government of India:—

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
 GENERAL ORDER.

Simla, the 26th April, 1895.

FIELD OPERATIONS.—CHITRAL.

No. 420.—THE Right Honourable the Viceroy and Governor-General of India in Council directs the publication for general information of the subjoined communication from the Adjutant-General in India submitting, under the orders of the Commander-in-Chief in India, a despatch from Major-General Sir R. C. Low, K.C.B., Commanding the Chitral Relief Force, relating to the action at Khar on the 4th April, 1895:—

No. 359-G, dated Simla, the 13th April, 1895.
 From the Adjutant-General in India to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

The following is submitted for the information of the Government of India in the Military Department:—

No. 544, dated Camp Khar, the 7th April, 1895.
 From Major-General Sir R. C. Low, K.C.B., Commanding the Chitral Relief Force, to the Adjutant-General in India.

I have the honour to forward a report on the action of the 4th April, 1895, fought by the 1st Brigade of the force under my command.

2. At 1 P.M. the 1st Brigade began to descend from Malakand Kotal along the road to Khar. The advanced guard was furnished by the Bedfordshire Regiment, the main body consisting of the 37th Dogras, No. 3 Mountain Battery, Royal Artillery, the King's Royal Rifles, and one company of the 15th Sikhs; the remainder of the 15th Sikhs being on rear guard and at the Malakand Pass till relieved.

3. When the advanced guard had moved forward about two miles down the valley, No. 4 Company, Sappers and Miners, were caught up. The enemy were seen in large numbers on a low ridge to the right front and ascending in greater strength a high rocky ridge which ran roughly parallel to the road and at an average of 1,200 yards from it. The Bedfordshire Regiment seized the mouth of the defile, through which the road there ran, with two companies on each flank; another company of the Bedfords and one of King's Royal Rifles ascended a spur immediately

on the right of road. The guns came into action here against the parties on the high ridge. The 37th Dogras advanced across the plain and attacked the low ridge to the right front, driving the enemy over it and advancing beyond. The ridge being gained, the Dogras were supported by a company of the 15th Sikhs; the guns advanced to a fresh position and came into action, where also were the King's Royal Rifles with a Maxim, and the Bedfordshire Regiment. After a time the force crossed the valley and was deployed with the battery and Maxim gun between the King's Royal Rifles and the Bedfords, covering the road the baggage had to take on issuing from the defile.

4. The enemy began to threaten the left flank of the Dogras. Two troops of the Guides coming up round the left of the Dogras charged about 1,200 of them, and killing about 30, the remainder fled to the hills. No. 4 Company, Sappers and Miners, now moved up to the ridge. The enemy now drew off, and the baggage having come up emerged into the plain. The Dogras and Sikhs withdrew, and the whole force moved on into camp near Khar.

5. The enemy's casualties are estimated at 500, and ours consisted of:—Europeans—killed none, wounded 3; natives—killed 2, wounded 15.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
 GENERAL ORDER.

Simla, the 10th May, 1895.

FIELD OPERATIONS.—CHITRAL.

No. 475.—THE Right Honourable the Viceroy and Governor-General of India in Council directs the publication, for general information, of the subjoined communication from the Adjutant-General in India submitting, under the orders of the Commander-in-Chief in India, a despatch from Major-General Sir R. C. Low, K.C.B., Commanding the Chitral Relief Force, relating to the action at the crossing of the Swat river on the 7th April, 1895.

No. 492-G, dated Simla, 24th April, 1895.
 From Major-General G. deC. Morton, C.B., Adjutant-General in India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

Submitted* for the information of the Government of India.

No. 120-A, dated Camp Sado, 13th April, 1895.
 From Major-General Sir R. C. Low, K.C.B., Commanding the Chitral Relief Force, to the Adjutant-General in India.

I have the honour to forward for information a condensed report, accompanied by a sketch by Lieutenant Gardyne, Gordon Highlanders, of the action at the crossing of the Swat river on the 7th April, 1895.

The 2nd Brigade, less the Gordon Highlanders and the Guides Infantry, encamped at Aladand on the evening of the 6th, and no enemy were seen that day on the further bank of the Swat river till the evening.

On the morning of the 7th a company of the King's Own Scottish Borderers was sent down towards the place where it was proposed to construct the bridge, and were fired at from the ridge of the hills on the opposite bank; this ridge was thickly occupied by the enemy, as were the villages of Chakdarrah, Saidabad, and Ramorah. The forces at the disposal of the General Officer Commanding the 2nd Brigade to-day consisted of

* Copy of letter from General Officer commanding Chitral Relief Force, No. 120-A, dated 13th April, 1895, reporting on the action of 7th April, 1895.