

of the large force of Artillery in this country, and I would specially refer to the value of the service he rendered during the bombardment of the enemy's entrenchments from the 19th to the 27th February, 1900. Major-General Marshall mentions the able and unceasing assistance he has received from Major (local Lieutenant-Colonel) H. C. Selater, Assistant Adjutant-General, Royal Artillery.

Colonel (local Major-General) E. Wood, C.B., Royal Engineers, Chief Engineer, supervised the arrangements for pushing forward trenches towards the enemy's laager at Paardeberg, and the successful result attained there is due in a large measure to that Officer's efforts.

Colonel (local Major-General) Sir W. G. Nicholson, K.C.B., Royal Engineers, undertook, at my request, the organisation of a Transport Department in the limited time available. He performed this duty with conspicuous ability, and his services in this connection have contributed materially to the success of the recent operations.

Colonel W. Richardson, C.B., Army Service Corps, Deputy Adjutant-General, Director of Supplies, has successfully overcome the many difficulties connected with arranging for the supplies of the Army in a district where scarcely any forage, and no rations, except fresh meat, are procurable.

Lieutenant-Colonel R. L. Hippisley, R.E., Director of Telegraphs, was indefatigable in endeavouring to ensure that I should be in communication with the whole of my force. That such a result was on most occasions attained, despite the distance which had to be traversed in an enemy's country, is most creditable to Lieutenant-Colonel Hippisley, as well as to Captain E. G. Godfrey-Faussett, R.E., who was in immediate command of the Telegraph Division during the march to Bloemfontein.

Captain (Brevet-Major and Local Lieutenant-Colonel) E. P. C. Girouard, D.S.O., R.E., Director of Railways, has carried out his duties in a highly creditable manner. The concentration of troops prior to my advance was carried out by him without a hitch, and he has recently performed valuable service in restoring through railway communication between the Orange Free State and Cape Colony.

Surgeon-General W. D. Wilson, M.B., has had responsible and important duties to perform. The arrangements necessary to provide for the wants of the many sick and wounded in South Africa, have required unremitting care and forethought, and the successful way in which they have been carried out reflects the greatest credit on him.

Colonel W. F. Stevenson, M.B., R.A.M.C., has been Principal Medical Officer with the Force, and I desire to draw attention not only to the efficient manner in which he has supervised the working of the Corps, but also to the assistance I have received from him at all times.

I cannot speak too highly of the care and devotion shown by the Medical Officers to the sick and wounded, or the gallant way in which many of them have exposed themselves when performing their duties on the field of battle.

Mr. Watson Cheyne, M.B., F.R.S., and Mr. No. 27282. C

Kendal Franks, M.B., F.R.C.S.I., Consulting Surgeons, who have accompanied the Army, have rendered invaluable service by their advice and assistance to the Medical Officers. They have been unwearied in their work among the wounded and sick, and, humanly speaking, many a valuable life has been saved by their skill.

Major J. H. Fiaschi, New South Wales Medical Staff Corps, is deserving of special mention on account of the assistance which he rendered to the sick and wounded, as well as upon the efficient condition in which he has kept the ambulance under his command, the services of which, ever since its arrival, have been most valuable.

Honorary Colonel E. G. V. Lord Stanley, 2nd Volunteer Battalion The Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, has carried out the difficult duties of Press Censor with tact and discretion.

The following Officers, non-commissioned officers, and men have distinguished themselves during the recent operations:—

Army Service Corps.

Brevet-Colonel F. F. Johnson, Staff Officer to Director of Supplies.

Captain R. Ford.

Lieutenant P. G. P. Lea.

Transport Department.

Captain W. T. Furse, Royal Artillery, Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General.

Major S. S. Long, Army Service Corps.

Major J. T. Johnson, Royal Artillery.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel F. I. Maxse, D.S.O., Coldstream Guards.

Army Veterinary Department.

Veterinary-Captain L. J. Blenkinsop, D.S.O.

Veterinary-Lieutenant H. T. Sawyer.

Staff of the Line of Communications.

Lieutenant-General Sir F. W. E. F. Forester-Walker, K.C.B., C.M.G., Commanding the Lines of Communication, has had heavy and responsible work, not only in questions relating to the disembarkation of troops and military stores, but especially in despatching them to the front. He has carried out these duties with credit to himself and with advantage to the public service.

Captain Sir Edward Chichester, Bart., Royal Navy, has been Chief Naval Transport Officer during the whole campaign, and has carried out his arduous duties with an ability and tact which have ensured the smooth and successful working of all his arrangements.

Royal Navy.

Captain J. Bearcroft, Royal Navy, Commanding the Royal Naval Brigade. My thanks are due to this officer for the assistance he has at all times afforded me. The Naval Brigade, under his orders, has performed valuable service, and has fully maintained the traditions of Her Majesty's Navy, not only in action, but also in overcoming the many difficulties attending the march of heavy ordnance over a country devoid of roads.

Commander W. L. Grant, Royal Navy, H.M. Ship "Doris."

Commander Spencer de Horsey, Royal Navy, H.M. Ship "Doris."

Lieutenant F. D. Deans, Royal Navy, H.M. Ship "Monarch."

Major A. G. B. Winston, Royal Marine Light Infantry, H.M. Ship "Powerful."

Cavalry Division.

Major-General (local Lieutenant-General) J.