

lery, Major Denison, Royal Canadian Regiment, Captain Watermeyer, Cape Town Highlanders, and Lieut. Seddon, Roughriders, New Zealand Contingent, my colonial Aides-de-Camp, and the Duke of Westminster, extra A.D.C., all performed their various duties loyally and well.

Major T. Laing, who raised and commanded my bodyguard, and whose recent death I deeply deplore, shewed himself an officer of great merit, and I am much indebted to him and to Captain W. M. Sherston, Commanding the 48th Company, Imperial Yeomanry (Army Headquarters, Escort), and to Captains C. H. Gough and A. G. Maxwell, Indian Staff Corps, Camp Commandants, for their excellent arrangements.

Major W. R. Edwards, Indian Medical Service, took over medical charge of the Headquarters Staff in March, 1900, and performed his duties most satisfactorily.

Lieutenant and Quarter-Master J. Bowers, Army Service Corps, my confidential Clerk throughout the campaign, proved himself an able and most reliable officer.

Lieut.-Colonel Sir H. Rawlinson, Bart., Coldstream Guards, A.A.G., is a very promising officer. By his untiring energy, and his readiness and quickness in all emergencies, also by his good eye for country and topographical knowledge, he has proved himself to be possessed of considerable soldierly qualities.

Major C. Hume, R.A., took over the duties of D.M.I. when Major Colin Mackenzie was appointed Military Governor of Johannesburg. He has worked hard and has carried out all his duties in a thoroughly conscientious manner.

Major R. M. Poore, 7th Hussars, has, as Provost Marshal, carried out his somewhat thankless duties with commendable energy and success.

Captain H. H. Wilson, the Rifle Brigade, D.A.A.G., is an officer of considerable ability. He has worked on the Headquarters Staff since August with energy and success, and done much good work.

Brevet-Major H.H. Prince Christian Victor, G.C.B., G.C.V.O.—The much-to-be-regretted death of His Highness occurred before I had forwarded the recommendation for reward, which he so well deserved. His sterling qualities as a soldier, his unflinching courtesy and attention to his duties, had endeared him to all with whom he came in contact, and his early death is a real loss to the army.

Captain and Brevet Lieut.-Colonel E. F. Goringe, D.S.O., R.E., Major H. I. W. Hamilton, D.S.O., Royal West Surrey Regiment, and Major J. K. Watson, D.S.O., King's Royal Rifle Corps, who served on Lord Kitchener's staff, have done much hard and good work throughout the campaign.

General the Right Hon. Sir Redvers Buller, G.C.B., K.C.M.G., V.C., held the chief command in South Africa until my arrival in the early part of January, 1901; from that time onwards he was in command of the Natal Field Force, and carried out the difficult operations terminating in the relief of Ladysmith. Subsequent to that event his troops formed part of the Main Army, which had for its object the occupation of the Transvaal up to Komati Poort.

Lieutenant-General Sir G. S. White, G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., V.C., was mainly responsible for saving the Colony of Natal from being completely over-run by the enemy. His gallant defence of Ladysmith, and the prowess shown by his troops at Talana, Elandsplaagte, and Wagon Hill will live in the annals of history.

I greatly regret that ill-health prevented Sir George White from taking a conspicuous part in the latter stages of the campaign.

Lieut.-General Lord Methuen, K.C.V.O., C.B., C.M.G., has been in command of a division since the first despatch of troops from England in October, 1899. The manner in which he has kept his command at all times ready and complete for service, the rapidity of his movements, combined with his untiring energy and conspicuous courage have largely contributed to the present comparative quiet on the western border of the Transvaal.

Major-General C. Tucker, C.B., has always worked under my immediate command. He is a good fighting soldier, and has afforded me able assistance on many difficult occasions.

Major-General Sir A. Hunter, K.C.B., D.S.O., is an officer possessed of great soldierly qualities and considerable experience in war. He came out to South Africa as Chief of the Staff to Sir Redvers Buller, but, owing to the force of circumstances, he served during the siege of Ladysmith as Chief Staff Officer to Sir George White. He, with his division, came under my direct command in April, 1900, since when he has performed valuable service in connexion with the arrangements for the relief of Mafeking and the capture of General Prinsloo.

Major-General Sir Leslie Rundle, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., has commanded a division in South Africa since last April. He and his troops have had a very trying time, and have acquitted themselves of their task in a most creditable manner.

Major-General T. Kelly-Kenny, C.B., as General Officer L. of C., Orange River Colony, and previously as G.O.C. that Colony, has invariably shewn sound common sense and military instinct of a high order through many trying and anxious hours. I am much indebted to Major-General Kelly-Kenny for the good service he has performed.

Major-General G. T. Pretymann, C.B., has been Military Governor of Bloemfontein since last March, a difficult post, in which he has carried out his duties to my entire satisfaction.

Major-General G. Barton, C.B., has been in command of the 6th Brigade, first in Natal and afterwards in the Orange River Colony and Transvaal. He is a careful and thoughtful leader.

Major-General J. D. P. French, as G.O.C. the Cavalry, has on every occasion rendered me invaluable service. He never makes difficulties, and is a man of exceptional nerve. His truly soldierlike qualities are only equalled by his sound judgment, his unerring instinct, and his perfect loyalty. His services have been of incalculable value to the Empire as well as to myself.

Major-General R. Pole-Carew, C.B., commanded a brigade under Lieut.-General Lord Methuen to that officer's entire satisfaction. In April, 1900, he was given the command of a division, with which he did good service at the battle of Diamond Hill, and subsequent advance to Komati Poort.

Major-General R. S. S. Baden-Powell, as the gallant defender of Mafeking, is already well known. Since the relief of that town he has held a command in the field, and I selected him for the responsible position of Inspector-General of Police, in which his undoubted organizing powers will have ample scope for good and useful work.

Colonel W. H. Mackinnon commanded the