

loyal and zealous co-operation of the military authorities at Hong Kong. They have had an arduous, responsible, and thankless task in striving to ensure the success of this expedition, and none know better than myself how much the State is indebted to their self-denying co-operation. I trust the services of Major-General Gascoigne, C.M.G., will meet with their due recognition.

I would also call attention to those of Colonel N. P. O'Gorman, Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General;

Lieutenant-Colonel J. L. A. Wheeler, Chief Ordnance Officer; and

Major M. M. Morris, Royal Garrison Artillery, Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General.

17. I wish to take this opportunity of paying a tribute to some of the foreign officers with whom British troops have been associated. By the force of circumstances this contingent has been more in touch with the American and Japanese Forces than with those of the other Powers, and in consequence of their close co-operation with us on their march to Peking, I have good reason for particularizing these forces among our Allies. General Chaffee and General Baron Yamaguchi, who respectively commanded the United States Forces and Imperial Japanese Contingent, have been most loyal in all their relations with me, and I may say the same of General Wilson, United States Forces, and General Fukushima, Chief of the Staff of the Japanese Contingent, while among the many officers with whom we have been closely associated, I desire to mention the following:

Colonel Dickman,

Major Mills,

Captain Grote Hutchieson,

Major Waller, of the United States Marine, on the Staff of the United States Contingent;

Colonel Negata, Colonel Shiba, Lieutenant-Colonel Harada, Major Yui, on the Staff of the Japanese Contingent; while Colonel Aoki has done good work in the allied cause as the Japanese Member of their Tientsin Government. I must also express my thanks to another of the members, Colonel De Wogack of the Russian Service.

In the Russian and French Contingents Generals Linevich and Frey shared with us the hardships and hazards of the march to Peking. Other officers whom I would bring to notice are—

General Wasiliewski, Chief of the Staff, Russian Contingent, and

Colonel Tomasheffski,

Colonel Comte, 18th Regiment (French), and

Colonel Rondoney; also

Captain De Mandat Grancey of the French Navy.

On several occasions since the relief of Peking, and especially during the Paotingfu Expedition, we have also co-operated with the German, French, and Italian Contingents, and I desire to particularly mention—

General Von Hoepfner, General Baron Von Gayl, General Von Kettler, Colonel Von Normann, German Army;

General Bailloud, Colonel Lullubin, Colonel Drude, French Army;

Colonel Garioni, Colonel Salsa, Italian Army; with all of whom my relations have been most cordial.

18. Finally, I should like to mention that several warrant and non-commissioned officers, as well as native soldiers of all ranks, have been brought specially to my notice, but, in my opinion, the operations have, as regards these ranks, not been such as to call for the distinction of a "mention in despatches." I shall, however, take

steps to bring their services to notice in the proper quarters, with a view to obtaining for them regimental or departmental promotion, as the case may be.

I have, &c.,

ALFRED GASELEE, Lieutenant-General,  
Commanding British Contingent,  
China Field Force.

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State for India.

No. 241 S. Head-Quarters,  
British Contingent, China Field Force,  
Peking, 20th February, 1901.

MY LORD,

IN continuation of my Despatch No. 198 S., of the 17th January, 1901, and with reference to paragraph 17, I would wish also to bring to notice the following foreign officers who have latterly been more or less connected with the British Contingent, and who in their respective positions have facilitated our operations in Northern China:—

Austro-Hungary:—Captain Sambochi, Imperial Navy.

France:—Lieutenant-General Voyron, Commanding French Expeditionary Corps.

Germany:—Major-General Von Schwarzhoff, Chief of the Staff to the Field-Marshal.

Colonel Gundell, Chief of the Staff, German Expeditionary Force.

Major Bauer, Railway Battalion.

United States, America:—Colonel Heistand, Assistant Adjutant-General.

Lieutenant Stamford, United States Signal Corps (Telegraph Section).

I have, &c.,

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The Secretary of State for India.

*Chancery of the Order of  
Saint Michael and Saint George,  
Downing Street, May 11, 1901.*

THE King has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:

To be an Ordinary Member of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

James Watts, Esq., for his conspicuous bravery in carrying despatches through the Chinese lines from Tientsin to Taku, on the 19th June, 1900.

*Chancery of the Order of  
Saint Michael and Saint George,  
Downing Street, May 13, 1901.*

THE King has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:

To be an Ordinary Member of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Charles Aphorpe Wheelwright, Esq., Magistrate of Mahlabatini, in Zululand, in recognition of his gallant conduct throughout the operations in South Africa, and especially in defending his post and driving off the enemy when attacked by overwhelming numbers.