

Brevet Colonel J. S. Ewart, Cameron Highlanders, is a Staff Officer of considerable ability. He has rendered good service in connection with the distribution and movements of troops.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel W. R. Birdwood, 11th Bengal Lancers. This young officer has held a difficult position as Assistant Adjutant-General, Mounted Troops, and responsible adviser as to the distribution of remounts. In carrying out these duties he has proved himself to possess exceptional ability, and he has shown, moreover, remarkable tact in dealing with and conciliating the various interests which he had to take into consideration.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel D. Henderson, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, has held the responsible post of Director of Military Intelligence during my tenure of command, and he has invariably done his best to cope with the great difficulties of his position.

Brevet Colonel H. C. Sclater, C.B., R.A., has been my C.R.A. throughout. He possesses an unusual combination of ability and common sense. I consider him to be a Staff Officer of exceptional value, to whom all ranks of the Royal Artillery in South Africa owe much.

Colonel (local Major-General) E. Wood, K.C.B., R.E., has been indefatigable in rendering me all the assistance in his power.

Brevet Major (local Lieutenant-Colonel) Sir E. P. C. Girouard, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., R.E., has been my principal adviser in all the numerous and intricate questions pertaining to railway administration in South Africa. He is an officer of brilliant ability, and I wish him all success in his new capacity as head of a great civil department.

Brevet Major H. C. Nanton, R.E., has satisfactorily carried out his work in connection with armoured trains.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel W. J. R. Wickham, Indian Staff Corps. As Assistant Adjutant-General, Transport, this officer has frequently had to grapple with sudden emergencies and many difficulties. In a campaign of this sort his post has been a most responsible one, and I recognize the hard work and ability he has displayed in rendering his department efficient.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel (local Colonel) H. G. Morgan, D.S.O., Army Service Corps, has brought much ability and administrative experience to bear on the unprecedented task of supplying, not only an Army, but also a proportion of the civil population inhabiting the extensive territories in which military operations were being conducted.

Surgeon-General Sir W. D. Wilson, K.C.M.G., has given me satisfaction as regards his supervision of his own department, as well as the advice he has given me on sanitary matters.

Colonel (local Principal Ordnance Officer) E. B. Appelbe, Army Ordnance Department, has conducted the affairs of his department with energy and forethought. His reorganization of the department in the second phase of the campaign has worked with great success.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel (local Colonel) W. H. Birkbeck, as Assistant Inspector of Remounts, has had the administration of a large department, which he practically had to form during the progress of hostilities. He has shown considerable ability, and is perturbed by nothing.

In carrying out his duties he has been much assisted by Colonel C. J. Long, Royal Artillery, who possesses exceptional experience in horse-management, and has done very good service by his inspections of horse depôts in South Africa.

Lieutenant-General P. S., Lord Methuen, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., C.M.G., has done more than most Officers towards maintaining throughout this campaign the high standard for personal courage, modesty, and humanity which characterize the British Army. I share his own deep regret that his wounds have prevented him from remaining in the field until the conclusion of peace.

Major-General (local Lieutenant-General) Sir J. D. P. French, K.C.B., has had a most difficult task to carry out. His willingness to accept responsibility, and his bold and sanguine disposition have relieved me from many anxieties, and, after I had appointed him to conduct the operations in Cape Colony, enabled me to devote myself, more completely than would otherwise have been possible, to the conduct of operations in the territories of the late Republics.

Lieutenant-General Sir C. Tucker, K.C.B. I am indebted to this Officer, who has never feared responsibility, or failed in giving emphatic pronouncement to the good common-sense of which he is possessed.

Lieutenant-General the Honourable N. G. Lyttelton, K.C.B., has latterly commanded in Natal, and I am sure that in his new position he will deal with the many important administrative questions which must now arise in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Major-General C. E. Knox, K.C.B., has given me satisfaction; first, when in command of a group of mobile columns operating in the Orange River Colony, and latterly as General Officer Commanding, Bloemfontein, where he has carried out his responsible duties with ability and discretion.

Colonel (local Major-General) R. A. P. Clements, D.S.O., A.D.C., is possessed of fine soldierly qualities, which his misfortunes have served rather to accentuate than to obscure.

Brevet Colonel (local Major-General) T. E. Stephenson, C.B., is an excellent Officer, who has displayed good sense wherever he has been employed.

Major-General F. W. Kitchener is an exceptionally keen and energetic Officer, who has done good service, first of all in the Northern and Eastern, and latterly in the Western Transvaal.

Brevet Colonel (local Major-General) J. G. Maxwell, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., has been Governor of Pretoria until comparatively recently, when he was transferred to the command of the Western District. He has an energetic mind, and a sound judgment, which, coupled with his kindly and considerate disposition, have enabled him to render valuable service.

Major-General B. M. Hamilton, K.C.B., is possessed of qualities of boldness, energy, and resolution in no common degree. His work has of late lain chiefly in the Eastern Transvaal, and he has had the good fortune repeatedly to deal serious blows to the enemy in that quarter.

Colonel (local Major-General) E. L. Elliot, K.C.B., D.S.O., has held a very important command in the east of the Orange River Colony, and has worked hard, and with some measure of success, to subdue the enemy in that quarter.