

WAR-OFFICE, September 25, 1857.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the Decoration of the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned Officers and Non-Commissioned Officer of Her Majesty's Army, who have been recommended to Her Majesty for that Decoration,—in accordance with the rules laid down in Her Majesty's Warrant of the 29th January 1856,—on account of Acts of Bravery performed by them before the enemy during the late War, as recorded against their several names, viz :—

Regiment.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
Royal Artillery	Lieutenant Christopher Charles Teesdale, C.B. Date of Act of Bravery, 29th September 1855	For gallant conduct, in having, while acting as Aide-de-Camp to Major-General Sir William Fenwick Williams, Bart., K.C.B., at Kars, volunteered to take command of the force engaged in the defence of the most advanced part of the works,—the key of the position—against the attack of the Russian Army; when, by throwing himself into the midst of the enemy, who had penetrated into the above redoubt, he encouraged the garrison to make an attack so vigorous as to drive out the Russians therefrom, and prevent its capture; also for having, during the hottest part of the action, when the enemy's fire had driven the Turkish Artillerymen from their guns, rallied the latter, and by his intrepid example induced them to return to their post; and further, after having led the final charge which completed the victory of the day, for having, at the greatest personal risk, saved from the fury of the Turks a considerable number of the disabled among the enemy, who were lying wounded outside the works,—an action witnessed, and acknowledged gratefully before the Russian Staff, by General Mouravieff.
13th Light Dragoons	Serjeant Joseph Malone Date of Act of Bravery, 25th October 1854	For having stopped under a very heavy fire to take charge of Captain Webb, 17th Lancers, until others arrived to assist him in removing that Officer, who was (as it afterwards proved) mortally wounded. Serjeant Malone performed this act of bravery while returning on foot from the charge at the Battle of Balaklava, in which his horse had been shot.
7th Fusiliers (late)...	Captain Henry Mitchell Jones Date of Act of Bravery, 7th June 1855	For having distinguished himself, while serving with the party which stormed and took the Quarries, before Sebastopol, by repeatedly leading on his men to repel the continual assaults of the enemy during the night. Although wounded early in the evening, Captain Jones remained unflinchingly at his post until after daylight the following morning.
18th Regiment	Captain Thomas Esmonde Date of Acts of Bravery, 18th and 20th June 1855	For having, after being engaged in the attack on the Redan, repeatedly assisted, at great personal risk, under a heavy fire of shell and grape, in rescuing wounded men from exposed situations; and also, while in command of a covering party, two days after, for having rushed with the most prompt and daring gallantry to a spot where a fire-ball from the enemy had just been lodged, which he effectually extinguished, before it had betrayed the position of the working party under his protection,—thus saving it from a murderous fire of shell and grape, which was immediately opened upon the spot where the fire-ball had fallen.