

The 9th Lancers charged through the city, which was shortly afterwards occupied by the infantry.

The road on the other side the town was partially blocked up with waggons and carts, and the enemy dispersing into the khets in the open country, I ordered the cavalry to halt, and advanced two guns to the bridge over the East Kalee Nuddee.

The sepoy endeavoured to make a stand outside the city gate, but were immediately charged and dispersed by the head of the column of the 9th Lancers, who have killed a number of them, and I cannot speak too highly of the gallantry of that regiment in charging through the town under a most severe fire from the houses.

I wish to bring most particularly to your notice the services of the artillery engaged; the manner in which they brought their guns into close action, and the constancy of their fire, merits special mention.

I regret to say that my loss has been very distressing, as I have been deprived of the services of four most valuable officers in the 9th Lancers, the Return of which I have already had the honour to transmit to you.

The splendid conduct of the Irregular Cavalry merits the highest praise, they having killed 200 of the enemy's sowars during the action and towards its close.

I wish most particularly to bring to your notice the distinguished gallantry of Captain Drysdale, commanding Her Majesty's 9th Royal Lancers, who sustained a fracture of the collar-bone from the fall of his horse, which was shot as he was charging the sepoy on the right of the town, after he had passed through it; also of Trumpeter and Lance Corporal Kens, and of Private Jordan, who saved him and brought him out of the *mélée*.

The names of Lieutenant Sarel, 9th Lancers, who advanced with his squadron in pursuit, by your direction, and of Lieutenant Blair, 2d Dragoon Guards (attached to the 9th Lancers), the former severely wounded in the right hand (fore-finger of right hand since amputated,) and left arm, and the latter, who was most dangerously wounded in a personal conflict with one of the rebel sowars, also deserve special mention.

The names also of Captains Bouchier and Remington, of the Artillery, whose battery and troop were engaged during the whole action, as well as that of Lieutenant Cracklow, who had a division of guns employed, and whose loss must have been heavy, I desire to bring prominently to your notice.

In the Irregular Cavalry, Lieutenant Watson charged and defeated a superior force of the enemy's horse who were advancing to attack him, driving them into the town, and cutting up a great many. I regret to say that on this occasion Captain Best, of whose conduct Lieutenant Watson speaks very highly, received a severe sabre wound. Lieutenant Watson has also brought to my notice the services of Mr Lyall, a civilian, who was with him during the whole action, and offered him the most valuable assistance.

The names of Lieutenants Younghusband and Gough, commanding Irregular Corps, I also consider it my duty to bring to your notice, as having performed most gallant service during the day.

Lieutenant Probyn, with his horse, charged and defeated a body of cavalry and armed Goojers, who attacked the baggage while we were engaged with the enemy.

From Lieutenant Roberts, Deputy Assistant-Quartermaster-General, and from Lieutenant Norman, Assistant Adjutant-General of the Army, I

received the most valuable information and assistance, and I wish to bring them conspicuously to your notice.

To Mr Sapte, the Collector of the District, I have to return my most sincere thanks for the assistance he afforded me through his local knowledge of the ground.

The assistance I received from my two Orderly Officers, Captain the Honourable A. Anson, Her Majesty's 84th Regiment, and Lieutenant Martin, of Her Majesty's 9th Lancers, during the long period of eleven hours that we were in the saddle, was most valuable and effective.

I have, &c.,

H. A. OUVRY, Major,
Commanding Cavalry Brigade,
Moveable Column, 9th Lancers.

No. 6.

Major F. Turner, Commanding Artillery of Moveable Column, to Captain Bannatyne, Major of Brigade, Moveable Column.

Camp, Boolundshuhur,
September 2, 1857.

SIR,

No. 84.

I HAVE the honour to forward the reports of the Officers of Artillery Commanding Batteries* and Detachments in action to-day against the rebels, also returns of casualties, and ordnance expended.

A more detailed statement of the ordnance and other ammunition captured shall be given hereafter.

Having been directed by the Officer commanding the Moveable Column to command the Reserve (Corps noted in the margin†), I was not an eye-witness of the performances of the guns in action; but I have great pleasure in pressing upon Lieutenant-Colonel Greathed's attention the very gallant conduct of Sergeant Diamond and Gunner FitzGerald, of the 2d Troop 3d Brigade Horse Artillery, who, after the rest of their gun's crew were disabled, continued to serve it under a very heavy fire of musketry, and I trust that by Colonel Greathed this gallant conduct, as also that of Second Lieutenant Cracklow, may be brought to the notice of Major-General Wilson, commanding Delhi Field Force, and Commandant of Artillery.

I have, &c.,

F. TURNER, Major,
Commanding Artillery of Moveable Column.

No. 7.

Captain F. Remington, Commanding 1st Train, 1st Brigade of Horse Artillery, to Lieutenant Bunny, Artillery Detachment Staff, Moveable Column.

Camp, Boolundshuhur,
September 28, 1857.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to report, for the information of Major Turner, Commanding Artillery with

* Captain Remington, commanding 1st Troop 1st Brigade Horse Artillery, Captain Blunt, commanding 2d Troop 3d Brigade Horse Artillery, 2d Lieutenant Cracklow, commanding Detachment Horse Artillery. Captain Bouchier, commanding No. 17 Light Field Battery.

† 2d Troop 3d Brigade Horse Artillery. Her Majesty's 75th Regiment. 4th Punjaub Infantry. 4th Punjaub Cavalry.