

No. 4.

Lieutenant Lind to Captain Muter.

Camp Gohana, Rohtuk District,
December 8, 1857.

SIR,

HAVING omitted at the time to send in a report after the fight at Kishengunge on the 14th of September last, I would request the favour of your forwarding this letter to the Adjutant-General of the Army, in order that, if possible, the Mooltanee Cavalry may appear in the Gazette as engaged. At 3 A.M. of the 14th of September, Brigadier-General Nicholson directed me to proceed to Hindoo Rao's with 300 sabres of the Mooltanee Cavalry, and to place myself under Major Reid's orders. Major Reid ordered me to go to the Zubzee Munde and await further orders there. In the Zubzee Munde I found 2 horse artillery guns and a regiment of Cashmeerees. These latter were soon engaged, and left my front open, when I proceeded along the road towards the Kishengunge. I found no ground for cavalry to act on, and lost a few men and horses killed and wounded. An alarm was now raised that the enemy had got into our rear, so I returned up the Zubzee Munde, and drove out some Sepoys who had got into the street and were preparing to take possession of the houses. I was then returning to my former position, when the Guide Cavalry (who had mistaken my men from their white dresses to be the enemy) were sent to charge me. By the advice of the officer commanding the Guides, and seeing that the 2 horse artillery guns before mentioned had limbered up and were returning up the Zubzee Munde, I withdrew my cavalry into the plain, between the Mound and the Zubzee Munde picquet, where I got ground to act on and could prevent the enemy's cavalry from coming down on our rear, should they have attempted it. Whilst here, Colonel Dennis, Her Majesty's 52d Light Infantry, sent me an order to retire on the Fukeer's Tukea, and to remain as a support to 4 horse artillery guns at that post, which I obeyed, and was employed on that duty till the guns were withdrawn on the 20th of September.

2. I annex a return of my loss in killed and wounded.

I have, &c.,

J. B. LIND, Lieut.,
Commanding Mooltanee Cavalry.

No. 5.

Major-General A. Wilson, Commandant of Artillery, and late commanding Delhi Field Force, to the Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army, Head-Quarters, Camp.

Head-Quarters of Artillery,
Meerut, January 5, 1858.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to forward, for submission to his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, copy of a letter No. 27, dated the 3d of October last, from Major F. Gaitskell, commanding the Artillery Brigade with the Delhi Field Force, transmitting a despatch of the 1st idem from Major J. Brind, bringing to notice the services performed by the Foot Artillery under his command, during the operations against the city of Delhi.

2. These letters reached me too late, I regret to say, to accompany my despatches detailing the assault and capture of that place, and have subsequently been delayed owing to my having been absent on medical certificate. They bear, however, such honourable testimony to the admirable services of Major J. Brind, and those under his com-

mand, that I trust his Excellency will be pleased to forward them to the Right Honourable the Governor-General in Council, with the expression of my hope that they may be published in continuation of my previous despatches.

I have, &c.,

A. WILSON, Major-General,
Commandant of Artillery, and late Commanding
Delhi Field Force.

No. 6.

Major Gaitskell to the Assistant Adjutant-General.

SIR,

Delhi, October 3, 1857.

I HAVE great pleasure in forwarding, for submission to the Major-General Commanding the regiment, the accompanying excellent report received by me from Major J. Brind, commanding the Foot Artillery of this force, bringing to notice the services of that branch, from the time he took command (26th June 1857), until the more active operations of the siege commenced, embracing a period of 2½ months, during which the Foot Artillery were in constant employment and undergoing the severest daily exposure.

2. The services of the officers and men under his command are so well and strongly brought to notice by Major Brind, that I can only record my entire concurrence in his report. No officers or soldiers could have conducted themselves in a more zealous or gallant manner than did those of the Foot Artillery, or in a manner more likely to add fresh lustre to the regiment.

3. But in thus doing only justice to such gallant soldiers, I should consider I was neglecting a most important and a most agreeable duty, were I to abstain from bringing prominently to the notice of the Major-General Commanding the regiment the valuable and distinguished services of Major Brind himself whilst in command of the Foot Artillery. From first to last his energy and activity have been unceasing, ever foremost where danger was greatest, encouraging both officers and men by his noble example, and whilst leading on those under him to every success in the field, he at the same time never ceased to care for their wants and necessities in camp.

The manner in which Major Brind exercised, without one hour's intermission, his command of No. 1 Siege Battery, during the last eight days of the siege, has already been brought to the notice of the Major-General commanding the force, and I trust this last distinguished period of his command (previous to the assault) will only tend the more surely to gain for Major Brind those honours which he so richly merits.

I have, &c.,

F. GAITSKELL, Major,
Commanding Artillery Brigade.

No. 7.

Major Brind, to Lieutenant Frith, Horse Artillery,
Major of Brigade, Artillery Brigade.

SIR,

Delhi, October 1, 1858.

ON the close of active operations connected with the siege of Delhi, I feel it a duty I owe to officers and men belonging to, or doing duty with the Foot Artillery, which I have commanded since the 26th June, to bring their conduct to the notice of Major-General A. Wilson, Commandant of Artillery, and holding the chief command of this victorious army.

It would be superfluous in me to attempt any detailed report of the unceasing labours, exposure to sun and wet, and dangers from the constant