

SUPPLEMENT

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DISPATCH, dated the 2d June 1818, has been received at the East India-House, from the Vice-President in Council at Fort William, in Bengal, with several inclosures, of which the following are extracts and copies:

General Orders, by His Excellency the Governor-General and Commander in Chief, dated Head Quarters, Gorruckpore, 4th May 1818.

THE Commander in Chief has had before him the details of a very brilliant* affair between a detachment of British troops, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Adams, C. B., and a Mahratta army under Bajee Row, which terminated in the retreat of the latter with considerable loss in men, guns, treasure, and cattle.

The total disregard of privations and fatigue, inseparable from a march of thirty-four miles at such an advanced season, shewn by the troops in their anxiety to meet the enemy, their prompt attack of a force prodigiously superior in number, and their subsequent pursuit of them over ground very unfavourable for the operations of cavalry, which constituted the main strength of the detachment, evince a degree of zeal and persevering gallantry highly creditable to their professional character, and well meriting the successful result that attended their exertions.

His Excellency derives infinite satisfaction in the opportunity given him of thus publicly acknow-

* Lieutenant-Colonel Adams's report of this affair was published in the Gazette of the 28th September 1818, page 1735.

ledging the judicious and gallant decision of Lieutenant-Colonel Adams, as well as the meritorious exertions of the officers and men under him; and requests Lieutenant-Colonel Adams and his troops to accept the expression of his sincere thanks.

J. NICOL, Adjutant-General of the Army:

Copy of a Dispatch from Lieutenant-Colonel J. W. Adams, C. B., to the Adjutant-General, dated Camp, Gurgrout, 14th January 1818.

SIR.

I HAVE the honour to transmit the accompanying report from Major Clarke, detailing the particulars of his attack upon the Pindarries, to be laid before the Most Noble the Commander in Chief, regarding which it does not appear necessary for me to offer any further observations than to notice the excellent judgment displayed by Major Clarke in so arranging his troops as to avoid any information being received by the enemy, although for three hours close to him, till the moment which he decided on as being most advantageous for making the attack, and the great importance of destroying and dispersing this formidable body of Pindarries, at the time when they were on the point of escaping from our armies in a direction in which, from the absence of our troops, they might have penetrated to the Bengal provinces, and committed most serious depreda-I have, &c. J. W. ADAMS, Lieut.-Col. tions

Commanding N. S. Force,