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THE following Notifications, issued by the Governor General of India, have this day been received at the East India House :

NOTIFICATION.—SECRET DEPARTMENT.

Kurnaul, September 3, 1842.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General of India has directed the publication of the following copy of a dispatch from Major-General England, K.H. dated the 19th ultimo.

By order, &c.

T. H. MADDOCK, Secretary to the Government of India, with the Governor General.

*From Major-General R. England, K.H.
To T. H. Maddock, Esq.*

*Camp, near Killa Abdoolia,
August 19, 1842.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to report, for the information of the Right Honourable the Governor General in Council, that the British force, at Candahar, having evacuated that city on the 7th and 8th, I moved from my encampment, near its walls, on the 10th, pursuant to instructions, with the detachment mentioned in the margin,* en route to Quetta; and that I arrived on this ground yesterday.

2. It was communicated to me on the 9th and subsequently, that the insurgents were preparing to attack the column and convoy under my charge

* 1 troop late Shah's H. A., 7 guns drawn by bullocks, 2 Russallahs Irregular Horse, 1 Russallah Poona Ditto, 25th Bombay Native Infantry, late Light Battalion Ditto, 1st, 2d, and 5th Regiments late Shah's Infantry.

in its passage, and especially that they would make efforts to intercept it in the strong country of the Kojuck range, at the northern extremity of which I arrived, with little molestation, on the morning of the 16th.

3. Whatever might have been the intention of the enemy, it was ascertained, by reconnoitering, that the highest points of the mountain were not yet occupied by them, and I thought it right, therefore, notwithstanding that the troops had just completed a night march of twenty-four miles, to push forward a light column to seize the summit at once.

4. This operation was perfected by three battalions, and the most important ridge, and all the peaks commanding the principal passes, were gained by the troops before dark.

5. On the following morning, the insurgents began to appear in small bodies on different hills, but, the route being flanked, they did little mischief, and the baggage, artillery, and immense retinue under the protection of this camp, including 9,000 or 10,000 beasts of burden, began the ascent, covered by a rear guard of two battalions and the cavalry; and I was soon made aware of our good fortune in having seized the heights on the previous evening, for the number of the enemy gradually increased, but all their efforts to capture the baggage, or indeed to interrupt us to any serious extent, were frustrated, and the passage across the Kojuck mountains may be said to have been perfected by noon on the 18th.

6. I have had the highest reason to be gratified with the exertions of all the officers and troops on this occasion, and it is entirely owing to their incessant efforts in duties of great fatigue, under a privation of water, both in climbing up the extreme points of the range to drive off the enemy whenever they appeared, and in dragging thirteen pieces of artillery over the ridge, that this service has been ac