

and, in the glorious struggle within the city, which lasted for six days after it was stormed in September, the 8th Regiment was amongst the foremost in exhibiting the irresistible effect of the valour and endurance of British soldiers.

The regiment formed part of the pursuing column under Brigadier Greathed, C.B., and was present in the actions at Boolundshuhur, Allygurl, and Agra.

It subsequently served with the force under his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, in the relief of the garrison of Lucknow, and at Cawnpore; and was subsequently employed in the final conquest of the province of Oude, and exhibited its characteristic bravery in the capture of the town and fort of Sandee.

The Governor-General begs to assure the 8th Regiment, of the very high sense entertained by him of its services and soldierly conduct, whether in quarters or in the field, and of the interest which he will always feel in its future welfare.

R. J. H. BIRCH, Major-General,
Secretary to the Government of India,
with the Governor-General.

By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

For the Encouragement of Piety and Virtue, and for the preventing and punishing of Vice, Profaneness, and Immorality.

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WE most seriously and religiously considering that it is Our indispensable Duty to be careful above all other Things, to preserve and advance the Honour and Service of Almighty God, and to discourage and suppress all Vice, Profaneness, Debauchery, and Immorality, which are so highly displeasing to God, and so great a Reproach to Our Religion and Government: To the Intent, therefore, that Religion, Piety, and Good Manners may flourish and increase under Our Administration and Government, We have thought fit, by the Advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby declare Our Royal Purpose and Resolution to discountenance and punish all Manner of Vice, Profaneness, and Immorality, in all Persons of whatsoever Degree or Quality within this Our Realm: And We do expect and require, That all Persons of Honour, or in Place of Authority, will give good Example by their own Virtue and Piety, and to their utmost contribute to the discountenancing Persons of dissolute and immoral Lives: And We do hereby strictly enjoin and prohibit all Our loving Subjects, of what Degree or Quality soever, from playing, on the Lord's Day, at Dice, Cards, or any other Game whatsoever, either in Public or Private houses, or other Place or Places whatsoever: And We do hereby require and command them, and every of them, decently and reverently to attend the Worship of God on every Lord's Day. Our further pleasure is, and We do hereby strictly charge and command all Our Judges, Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, and all other Our Officers and Ministers, both Ecclesiastical and Civil, and all other Our Subjects whom it may concern, to be very vigilant and strict in the Discovery and the effectual Prosecution and Punishment of all Persons who shall be guilty of dissolute, immoral, or disorderly Practices; and that they take care also effectually to suppress all Public Gaming Houses and Places, and lewd and other disorderly Houses; and also to suppress and

prevent all Gaming whatsoever, in Public or Private Houses, on the Lord's Day; and likewise that they take effectual Care to prevent all Persons keeping Taverns, or other Public Houses whatsoever, from selling Wine, Beer, or other Liquors, or receiving or permitting Guests to be or remain in such their Houses, in the Time of Divine Service on the Lord's Day. And for the more effectual proceeding herein, We do hereby direct and command all Our Judges of Assize and Justices of the Peace to give strict Charges at their respective Assizes and Sessions, for the due Prosecution and Punishment of all Persons that shall presume to offend in any of the Kinds aforesaid; and also of all Persons that, contrary to their Duty, shall be remiss or negligent in putting the said Laws in execution; and that they do, at their respective Assizes and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, cause this Our Royal Proclamation to be publicly read in open Court immediately before the Charge is given.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this Ninth Day of June, One thousand eight hundred and sixty.

GOD save the QUEEN.

AT the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 9th day of *June*, 1860.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Town Council of the borough of GATESHEAD, in the county of Durham, have, under the provisions of an Act passed in the session of Parliament held in the seventeenth and eighteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to make further provision for the burial of the dead in England beyond the limits of the metropolis," presented a Petition to Her Majesty in Council, stating that two Orders in Council have been issued for closing (with the exceptions or modifications therein mentioned) certain burial-grounds within the parish of Gateshead; that the said parish is wholly situate within the said borough of Gateshead; and that the several burial-grounds mentioned in the said two Orders in Council are all situate within the said borough, and within the said parish; and that there is difficulty and inconvenience in providing requisite places of burial for the inhabitants of the said parish, under the provisions of the Act of the sixteenth and seventeenth Victoria, chapter one hundred and thirty-four, intituled "An Act to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England beyond the limits of the metropolis, and to amend the Act concerning the burial of the dead in the metropolis," and praying that powers may be vested in the said Town Council of the borough of Gateshead for providing places of burial, under the provisions of the various Acts of Parliament, relating to burials, for the inhabitants of the said parish of Gateshead: Now, therefore, Her Majesty in Council is pleased hereby to give notice of such Petition, and to order, that the same be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on the twenty-fourth day of July next; and Her Majesty is further pleased to direct that this Order be published in the London Gazette, and in one of the newspapers usually circulating in the borough of Gateshead, one month at least before the said twenty-fourth day of July next.

Arthur Helps.