Booty, or have been otherwise realized, or are about to be realized, amounting, or computed to amount, with interest, after deducting costs, to the sum of fifty-five lacs, fifty thousand rupees, or thereabouts: And whereas the said Commissioners of Our Treasury have further represented unto Us, that a humble Memorial had been presented unto them by Major Chandos F

Clifton, Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Division, praying that the whole of the Booty as aforesaid captured might be granted to Major-General Whitlock, and the force under his command exclusively: And whereas it has been further represented unto us, that claims to participate in the said Booty had been preferred by the late Lord Clyde, as Commander-in-chief, on behalf of himself and his Personal Staff; by Major-General Sir Hugh Rose, on the ground of his force having co-operated in the actions or movement of the Troops which led to the capture; also by Major-General Smith, and by Colonel Middleton, and that other claims might be preferred by or on behalf of the same or other persons to the property, or some part thereof, captured during the aforesaid operations: And whereas difficulties having arisen as to the distribution of the aforesaid Booty, We deemed it advisable that a reference, under the authority of a certain statute made and passed in a Session of Parliament held in the fourth year of Our reign, intituled "An Act to improve the prac-tice and jurisdiction of the High Court of Admiralty of England," should be made to the Judge of Our High Court of Admiralty, and accordingly, We were graciously pleased, on the tenth day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, to issue Our Order in Council in the following terms:-

"Now, therefore, Her Majesty is pleased to "order, and it is hereby ordered, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, that the "claims of all parties whomsoever to the pro-" perty captured during the aforesaid operations, "and to the proceeds thereof, be referred to the " Judge of the High Court of Admiralty of Eng-"land, who shall take into his consideration, if "it shall appear to him to be necessary for the " purposes of justice, any capture that may have "been made of any property during the said operations by any of the claimants, and shall "make such Order as to him shall seem right, " both in regard to the persons who are, and the " proportions in which such persons are entitled " to share therein, and to the costs and expenses "incurred in relation thereto by the respective "claimants, whether before or subsequent to this "Order, reserving, however, to Her Majesty the "right to direct the rates or scale of distribution "according to which the said property or the "proceeds thereof shall be paid to the several " ranks of the force or forces to which such pro-" perty shall be adjudged."

And whereas, on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, the Right Honourable the Judge of Our High Court of Admiralty of England pronounced that the personal representatives of the late General Lord Clyde, and the Officers of his Staff, personal as well as general, who were in the field at the time, are entitled to share in the Booty captured at Bandah and Kirwee in April and June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and, subject to this right, he awarded the whole of the said Booty to Lieutenant-General Sir George Cornish Whitlock and the force under his command, called the Saugor and Nerbudda Field Force, including | Captains

amongst the latter the Officers and Troops under Lieutenant-Colonel Keating, and any other Troops left by General Whitlock on his march, who, at the time of the capture, formed a portion of his Division, and were still under his command, and he disallowed all other claims, and, in pursuance of the power given to him by the said Order in Council, directed that the costs of the various parties be paid out of the fund: And whereas it has been further represented unto Us by the Commissioners of Our Treasury that, regard being had to the unusual character of the whole of the operations in Central India on this occasion, and the responsibility which, under the particular circumstances, must have been imposed upon the Officers in command of the several Columns who were engaged in those operations, although acting under the orders of the Com-mander-in-chief, the services of those officers will not be sufficiently remunerated by the amount of shares to which they will be entitled under the scale hereinafter mentioned, and have recommended unto Us that some addition should be made to the amount aforesaid, to which We are graciously pleased to condescend.

Now We do hereby give and grant to Our Secretary of State for India in Council for the time being, all the aforesaid Booty mentioned to have been captured at or in the said towns of Bandah and Kirwee, and the proceeds thereof as aforesaid, in trust for the use of the personal representative or representatives of the late Lord Clyde, formerly Sir Colin Campbell, the Commander-in-chief, and his Staff, personal as well as well as general, who were in the Field at the time, and the said Major-General Sir George Cornish Whitlock, and the Officers and Men belonging to the Forces engaged in the said captures as aforesaid, including the Troops under Lieutenant-Colonel. Keating, and any other Troops left by General Whitlock on his march, and who, at the time of the captures, formed a portion of his division, and was still under his command, such booty and proceeds to be distributed by Our Secretary of State for India in Council for the time being, or by any other person or persons he may appoint, as follows (that is to say):

One-twentieth part of the whole of the aforesaid Booty and proceeds to the said Lord Clyde, and the Officer actually in command of the said Saugor and Nerbudda Field Force, to be distributed in the proportion of four-fifths of the same to the legal personal representative or representatives of the late Lord Clyde, the Commander-in-chief, and one-fifth to the Officer actually in Command, over and above the number of shares to which he will be entitled as aforesaid, and all the re-mainder of the said Booty and proceeds to be distributed to and divided amongst the General and other Officers and Men belonging to the Forces which took part in the aforesaid operations, as specified in the Decree aforesaid, according to the following scale, and in the following proportions, as far as the same may be applicable to the several ranks of Officers and Menso engaged in the same, such scale and proportions being settled and determined and fixed by and according to a calculation of the day's pay of each rank, and being in the proportion of one share for each shilling of day's pay (that is to say):

Major-Generals Brigadiers Colonels and Lieutenant-Colonels ...

Seventy-six shares each. Fifty-one shares each.

Majors Sixteen shares each. Twelve shares each.