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India Office, December 17, 1897.

THE following General Order, dated 15th October, 1897, together with a Despatch from Major-General A. G. Yeatman-Biggs, C.B., regarding the action at the Ublan Pass on the 27th August, 1897, has been received from the Government of India:—

GENERAL ORDERS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 15th October, 1897.

No. 1141.—THE Right Honourable the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council directs the publication of the subjoined letter from the Adjutant-General in India, submitting under the orders of the Commander-in-Chief a despatch from Major-General A. G. Yeatman-Biggs, C.B., commanding Kohat and Kurram Valley, of the action at the Ublan Pass on 27th August, 1897.

2. The Governor-General in Council entirely concurs with His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in his approbation of the conduct of the troops during the operation.

No. 845-F., Disturbances, dated Simla, the 20th September, 1897, from Major-General G. de C. Morton, C.B., Adjutant-General in India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

I HAVE the honour, by direction of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward herewith a report* from Major-General A. G. Yeatman-

* Forwarded with letter No. 362-K., dated 1st September, 1897, from the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Punjab.

Biggs, commanding Kohat and Kurram Valley, giving details of the action of the Ublan Pass on the 27th August, 1897, and to request that Government may be pleased to treat the same as a despatch.

2. In submitting this report, His Excellency wishes to express his approbation of the manner in which Major-General Yeatman-Biggs conducted the operations, and of the gallant behaviour and endurance of the troops under his command.

No. 362-K., Field Operations—Kohat, dated Murree, the 1st September, 1897, from Lieutenant-General Sir G. B. Wolseley, K.C.B., Commanding the Forces, Punjab, to the Adjutant-General in India.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India, the accompanying report by Major-General Yeatman-Biggs, C.B., on the operations at the Ublan Pass on the 27th August, 1897.

2. These operations seem to have been skillfully conducted, and reflect credit on the General Officer Commanding and the troops under his orders.

3. The gallant behaviour of Subadar Akbar Khan, 2nd Punjab Infantry, is specially noticeable, and I recommends that he be admitted to the 3rd class of the Order of Merit.

4. With reference to Private No. 4196, Philip Crain, 1st Battalion, Royal Scots Fusiliers, reported missing, the recovery of his body has since been reported in telegram No. 96-A, Daily, of 30th August, 1897, from General Officer Commanding Kohat, to Deputy Adjutant-General, Punjab Command, which was repeated to you.

No. Operations—Ublan Pass, dated Kohat, the 28th August, 1897, from Major-General A. G. Yeatman-Biggs, C.B., Commanding Kohat and Kurram Valley, to the Deputy Adjutant-General, Punjab Command.

I HAVE the honour to submit the following report of yesterday's operations at the Ublan Pass, a brief report of which was wired to you.

2. At 7 P.M. on the 26th August, I received warning that the Firoz Khels, Utman Khels, and Bizotis intended to attack in the Kohat direction.

3. At 8 P.M. I reinforced the Muhammadzai Fort with one company, 2nd Punjab Infantry, under Captain L. E. Cooper.

4. The enemy attacked about 9 o'clock, capturing the Police Post and killing one man, Border Police, and wounding one Jemadar and two others.

5. On receiving this information, I determined to follow up and, if possible, to punish the raiders, I therefore ordered No. 9 Field Battery, Royal Artillery, 2 Companies Royal Scots Fusiliers, 2nd Punjab Infantry and one squadron, 3rd Punjab Cavalry, to march off at 4 o'clock on the morning of the 27th instant, so as to be at the entrance to the pass at dawn.

6. Soon after daylight I followed up the enemy and found they were occupying the Kotal of the Ublan Pass about three miles from the Muhammadzai Post.

7. I brought up the battery at about 7 A.M. It came into action at 2,100 yards and opened a slow and careful fire with shrapnel, searching the Kotal from end to end, and especially shelling the main Sangar.

8. When the enemy appeared to be driven off the Kotal, the 2nd Punjab Infantry were sent forward to attack at about 7:30 A.M.