

officer, and distinguished himself at the taking of the Egar stockade.

The good work done by the following was noticeable:—

Subadar-Major Nawalsing Rana Bahadur, I.O.M.

Jemadar Makansing Gurung.

Jemadar Narbahadur Gurung.

No. 2446 Havildar Bhairab Sahi.

No. 3729 Lance-Naik Chitrabir Rana.

No. 3202 Rifleman Kalia Pun.

46. *Signal Unit from No. 31 (Divisional Signal) Company.*—Had great difficulties to contend with in the nature of the country and the long periods during which visual signalling was impossible. In spite of these difficulties its work was of the greatest assistance to me. Lieutenant J. H. Knight is a most enthusiastic signaller, and I could always feel that, if it was at all possible, he would maintain communication with any detached parties.

The good work done by the following was noticeable:—

No. 1560 Lance-Naik Dharm Singh.

No. 1716 Lance-Naik Dost Mahammad.

47. *Supply and Transport Corps.*—The questions of Supply and Transport to a great extent govern operations, and in a trackless country there is a great deal to contend with. I attribute the states of efficiency maintained by the force largely to the excellent *personnel* of the Supply and Transport Corps.

Major E. G. Vaughan, Assistant Director, Supply and Transport, is an officer who always keeps in view the comfort and efficiency of the troops, while being careful of the financial interest of the State.

Major H. H. M. Brooke did good service at the base.

Captain W. B. Dunlop has done good work with the Advanced Supply Columns.

The five Naga Carrier Corps well justified their enlistment, better men for the duties they were called upon to perform it would be difficult to find; they were taxed to the utmost of their physical powers, but were always cheery; there never was any trouble with them, and on several occasions they showed themselves quite willing to engage the Abors.

These satisfactory results I largely attribute to the tact and firmness with which they were treated by the Corps Commandants. Where all did well it may appear invidious to select any for special mention, but perhaps I may be permitted to mention Captain G. W. Bond and Captain C. W. Hext, whose work came more immediately under my notice.

Lieutenant A. B. H. Webb, 5th Gurkha Rifles, under great difficulties did excellent work in charge of the Boat transport between Kobo and Pasighat.

The good work done by the following was noticeable:—

Captain C. E. Edward-Collins, Commandant, 26th Mule Corps.

Hony. Lieutenant J. Foy.

Conductor W. C. Hayman.

Conductor H. Wright.

Conductor J. Ballen, 26th Mule Corps.

48. *Indian Medical Service.*—To the efficient carrying out of sanitary and other medical duties, the comparatively good health and absence of epidemic disease is largely due.

Major J. Davidson, Assistant Director, Medical Service, has done well in that capacity.

Captain C. W. F. Melville is a very good

officer and well worthy of advancement. He acted as Staff Surgeon and also accompanied exploration parties.

The good work done by the following was noticeable:—

Captain J. S. O'Neill.

No. 978 First Class Sub-Assistant Surgeon Mahadeo Parshad.

Second Class Senior Sub-Assistant Surgeon Niranjana Das.

49. *Lakhimpur Military Police.*—On this corps ever since the massacre of Mr. Williamson's party has devolved the duty of keeping the North Lakhimpur District free from Abor raids. The difficulties and hardships involved in carrying out this duty during the rainy season can only be realised by those having knowledge of the country and climate. The battalion also did good work in the operations near Mishing.

Captain Sir George Duff-Sutherland-Dunbar, 31st Punjabis, has commanded to my satisfaction, and his services have also been brought to notice by Colonel Fisher, Commanding the Ledum Column.

The untimely death of Captain A. M. Hutchins as the direct result of continuous hardships during a long period is much to be regretted. He was a capable and gallant officer.

Surgeon-Captain J. M. Falkiner, Assam Valley Light Horse, served as a Volunteer Medical Officer with the Ledum Column and Lakhimpur Military Police. He has served throughout without remuneration and I consider his services worthy of commendation.

The good work done by the following was noticeable:—

Captain J. Masters.

Subadar-Major Dorward.

Jemadar Jangbir Lama.

No. 1120 Havildar Dal Bahadur Thapa.

50. The survey party under Captain O. H. B. Trenchard, R.E., did good work.

The good work done by the following was noticeable:—

Lieutenant G. F. T. Oakes.

Surveyor Sher Jang.

Surveyor Hamid Gul.

51. The Ordnance Base Depot under Conductor F. I. Williams was most useful and met all requirements.

52. The Telegraph Department under Mr. G. E. O. de Smidt did very useful work.

The good work done by the following was noticeable:—

Sub-Conductor W. Davies.

No. 6266 Private W. Rouse, 2nd Connaught Rangers.

53. The postal arrangements were satisfactory.

54. *Corps of Military Staff Clerks.*—No. 9584 Sergeant A. Park.

Return of Casualties in Action, Abor Expeditionary Force, from 6th October, 1911, to 11th January, 1912.

#### Summary.

*Officers.*—Nil killed, nil died of wounds, 1 wounded, nil missing.

*Indian Officers, British and Indian Rank and File.*—Non-commissioned officers and men, 2 killed, nil died of wounds, 2 wounded, nil missing.

*Followers.*—2 killed, 1 died of wounds, 3 wounded, nil missing.