

DEFEAT OF A LARGE BODY OF MAHSUD WAZIRIS.—1860.

RESSALDAR UKWAK SINGH.	} <i>5th Punjab Cavalry,</i> were admitted to the 3rd Class for their gallantry in action at Tank
DAFFADAR SULLAIM SINGH.	
" WULLEE MAHOMED.	
SOWAR HERRA SINGH.	
" SHADUL KHAN.	
" YHUNDAH SINGH.	

on the 13th March 1860, when a detachment of the 5th Punjab Cavalry defeated a large body of Mahsud Waziris.

On the 13th March 1860, a large number of the Mahsud Waziris left their hills at the *Zam Nullah* with the avowed intention of plundering the town of Tank. Ressaldar Shadut Khan in command of the cavalry post at Tank had received intimation of this intended raid on the 11th idem and he immediately called in all the cavalry post of the frontier. They were all assembled at Tank early on the 13th and marched out towards the *Zam Pass* under the command of Ressaldar Ukwak Sing, the Senior native officer present. While on the march, the Waziris were observed coming out of the hills in large numbers beating their drums and shouting and waving their swords. Both the Cavalry and the enemy continued to advance towards each other until they met on the banks of a deep dry *nullah*. The Waziris opened fire and Ressaldar Ukwak Sing finding it was not the place for cavalry to act, consulted with Ressaldar Shadut Khan and both agreed that it would be better to retire and draw the enemy out of the *nullah* into the open ground near the rear of the enemy. The movement succeeded admirably; the enemy thinking the day was their own, followed the cavalry until the latter had nearly reached Tank, when the halt was sounded, the cavalry fronted at once, fired a volley into the enemy, drew their sabres and charged right away

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into the middle of them. This sudden and unexpected attack was too much for the Waziris, who turned and made off towards the hills, though at times they fought bravely in small bands when caught up by the cavalry. The pursuit and slaughter continued to the foot of the hills where the cavalry could no longer act, and the Waziris took shelter within their stronghold; leaving between 200 and 300 of their tribe dead on the plains, out of the 3000 they brought on the field against 158 sabres of the Punjab Cavalry.

SOWAR HEERA SING WITH DAFADAR WULLEE MAHOMED, rescued a wounded comrade from some Waziris who were about to cut him up. Heera Sing killed one of the enemy and after his horse was shot, he fought most gallantly on foot and killed another Waziri. Heera Sing and Wullee Mahomed were admitted to the 3rd Class.

SOWAR SHADUL KHAN, attacked, single-handed, three Waziris; he killed one before his horse fell, and then he fought on foot and killed another of the three; the third man was slain by another sowar who came to Shadul Khan's help (Awarded 3rd Class).

DAFADAR SULLAIM SING. In the charge, he killed one Waziri and rode after two others who took refuge in a bush. His horse was killed by these men but he ultimately succeeded in killing them both (Awarded 3rd Class).

DAFADAR WULLEE MAHOMED, saved the life of Ressaldar Ukwak Sing by cutting down a Waziri who had attacked the Ressaldar. He also assisted Sowar Heera Sing in saving the life of a wounded and dismounted comrade, killing one of the Waziris who were advancing upon him. (Awarded 3rd Class).

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SOWAR YHUNDAH SING, attacked three Waziris, single-handed. He cut one down with his sword and shot a second, the third escaping among the bushes. (Awarded 3rd Class).

(734 of 1860).

UMBEYLA.—1863.

HAVILDAR HEERAH SING, *1st Punjab Infy.* (Promoted to 2nd Class). While commanding the advance Picquet at the Umbeyla Pass, on the 15th December 1863, Lieut. and Adjutant W. Unwin had occasion to make a charge to gain possession of a small knoll about 50 yards in front of his position which was held by the enemy in force. The picquet had reached the top of the knoll when, pressed by numbers, the party had to retire. Havildar Heera Sing was the last to retire, and while doing so he received a severe sword wound on the neck from one of the enemy. When the position was regained, the Havildar was ordered to the rear but repeatedly refused to do so although suffering severely from loss of blood; and expressed a determination to join in a second charge which was then being contemplated (594 of 1865).

BHUTAN, DALIMKOTE.—1864.

HAVILDAR HYAT BUKSH KHAN, *11th Regt. Native Infantry.* (Awarded 3rd Class). During the capture of the Fort of Dalimkote, on the 6th December 1864, Havildar Hyat Buksh Khan placed himself in a conspicuous position and remained there till the assault, taking steady aim at any of the enemy who exposed themselves.

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No. 1699, SEPOY KALKA SING, *11th Regt. Native Infantry*. (Awarded 3rd Class). This man was employed in assisting to place a mortar in position, during the attack on Dalimkote on the 6th December 1864, and on being wounded, refused to go to the rear, and continued to do his duty until again wounded.

No. 2417 SEPOY GOON BEER, *8th Co., 18th Regt. Native Infy.* (Awarded 3rd Class.) On the 6th December 1864, at the storming of Dalimkote, Sepoy Goon Beer was with a covering party and approached to within a few yards of the Fort, where he remained in a very exposed position for three-quarters of an hour. His coolness and gallantry were observed by many officers in the Fort.

No. 437 SEPOY BUKT BIR, *3rd Gurka Regt.* (Awarded 3rd Class). Sepoy Bukt Bir was the first man to enter into the Bhutea stockade on the road to Buxa, which was attacked and taken on the 6th December 1864, under Lieut Rowcroft, 3rd Gurka Regt. who commanded the attacking party.

JEMADAR PEER BUKSH	} <i>30th Regt. Punjab In-</i>	
HAVILDAR NIZAMDEEN		<i>fantry, (3rd Class),</i>
SEPOY KHWAJAH NOOR		were with the advance

guard during the capture of the Dalimkote Fort, on the 6th December 1864, and belonged to the party that advanced close to the walls of the Fort above which the mortars were placed in position, and were recalled when the mortars opened fire.

SEPOY TOWUKKUL, *30th Regt. Punjab Infantry,* (3rd Class), behaved most gallantly at the taking of the 1st "Morreha" during the operations against the fort of Dalimkote, and was there wounded, and again wounded close under the walls of the fort.

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NAIK JUMAYET SING, } (promoted to 2nd Class).
 SEPOY SUNDAR } (3rd Class.) *30th Punjab*
Infantry. Both these men while under a fire of arrows
 and stones during the attack on the Fort of Dalimkote,
 advanced right up to the Eastern tower which they
 skirted to the North, and after trying the height of
 the walls which they found too high, they endeavoured
 to find an entrance, scrambling along the brink of a
 precipice, and did not desist until recalled, to allow the
 guns to open fire on the tower.

No. 38, SEPOY SIRI TAL, } *H. M's Sebundy*
 No. 21, ,, SUFFEER, } *Sappers and Miners,*
 (3rd class), were the two first to volunteer to take the
 powder bag to the gate of the fort of Dalimkote. The
 explosion was for a time delayed owing to the jungle
 on the hill-side beneath the gate and the road which
 approached the gate being in flames; the sepoy again
 volunteered and carried the bag to the gate, and ex-
 hibited great coolness in placing the bag under cir-
 cumstances of great risk owing to the showers of fire
 that fell from a burning "Machicoulis" which over-
 hung the gate. (166 of 1865).

BHUTAN.—DEWANIGIRI.—1865.

The Garrison of Dewanigiri having been attached
 by the Bhutias on the morning of the 30th January
 1864, and sustained heavy loss, Lieut A. J. Welchman,
 14th Bengal Cavalry, who was then at Koomerakatta,
 at once determined to go up to their relief with the
 men he could spare. He found it a hard task in detail-
 ing those who had to be left behind in camp as all
 were anxious to accompany him; and he experienced
 difficulty in preventing the whole troop from going up.
 The party arrived at Dewanigiri without any opposition

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and took part in the attack on the Bhutia stockade on the 3rd February 1865, and behaved with great gallantry, and retired very reluctantly when forced to do so on account of their small numbers. When the evacuation of the Garrison was decided upon on the 5th February, the party of sowars under Lieut Welchman, who led the left advanced picquet, retired in a soldierly and orderly manner, and during the whole time that the detachment was at Dewanigiri, their conduct was highly commendable, and although mounted men, they cheerfully and willingly shared in the Infantry duties of the Garrison.

The following men of the party were specially selected for the Order of Merit:—

RESSALDAR CHOORAMUN SINGH, promoted to 2nd class.

SOWAR JUMNA PERSAD,	} 3rd class.	} <i>14th Bl: Cavy.</i>
„ DYARAM,		
„ DOORJUN SING,		
„ BULMUNT,		
„ BHURT SING,		

(78 of 1866).

SEPOY URJUN, *7th Co. Sappers and Miners*, was Orderly to Capt. W. S. Trevor, R. E., Field Engineer, Doar Field Force, and was prominently forward in the storming of the big stockade at Dewanigiri, on the 2nd April 1865. He behaved in a gallant manner throughout, and was amongst the few Sepoys who followed their British Officers into the stockade which was carried by assault. (3rd Class).

(78 of 1866).

HAVILDAR NUNDRAM, *12th Khelat-i-Ghilze) Regt. of Native Infy*, was granted the 3rd class for the