

SOMALILAND, 1903.

LANCE-NAIK MAIERJA SINGH, *126th Baluchistan Infantry*, was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry at Daratoleh, Somaliland, on the 22nd April 1903, when he assisted Captains W. G. Walker and G. M. Rolland, Indian Army, to save Captain J. Bruce, (who had been wounded) from falling into the hands of the enemy.

(1013 of 1903).

MULETEER BHIWA *No. 13 Transport Corps*, (attached for duty to section D., No. 15 British Field Hospital), was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry in action at Jidballi, Somaliland, on the 10th January 1904, when he, though severely wounded in the arm, retained hold of the panic-stricken mules carrying the panniers and dressings of the hospitals, and prevented them from stampeding with the others.

(944 of 1904).

 KOHAT DISTRICT,—1903.

HAVILDAR AZIZ KHAN, *Samana Rifles*, was granted the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry near Shinwari Fort, Kohat Distt., on the 20th October 1903, when a detachment which was sent to escort treasure coming from Hangu, was ambuscaded and attacked by a party of raiders. The Indian officer and a sepoy fell mortally wounded on the first two shots from the raiders, but Havildar Aziz Khan, with great coolness and presence of mind, took cover close by and drove off the raiders, killing one of them and saving the arms of the wounded men.

(719 of 1904).

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No. 3218, SEPOY SAHIB SINGH, *32nd Sikh Pioneers*, was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry during an attack near Changra, Tibet, on the 10th April 1904, when, being some 50 paces distant from any of his comrades, he stormed a cave single-handed and bayoneted the occupants.

(576 of 1904).

No. 3150, NAIK JHANDA SINGH, *32nd Sikh Pioneers*, was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry at the action of the Karola, Tibet, on the 6th May 1904, when he, though wounded in the right arm, continued to lead his section against the enemy's position with the greatest dash and determination, till he was knocked down by another bullet in the shoulder.

(17 of 1906).

Subadar WASSAWA SINGH, *32nd Sikh Pioneers*, was promoted to 2nd class, for conspicuous gallantry at the action of the Karola, Tibet, on the 6th May 1904, in leading a section of his company over dangerous ground and bringing fire to bear on one of the enemy's *sangars*, which had defied all previous attempts to clear it. His action led to the enemy evacuating the *sangar* and eventually to their retirement from the main position.

Had No. 2333, Havildar Wadhawa Singh, *32nd Sikh Pioneers*, survived, the distinction of the 3rd class would have been conferred upon him in recognition of his conspicuous gallantry in action in Tibet. This non-commissioned officer twice formed one of the storming parties detailed to blow in the gates of the villages, on the 19th and 20th May 1904. He advanced with great courage and coolness under a heavy fire to lay the charge, being wounded on the first occasion, and being killed on the second.

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His widow was admitted to the pension of the 3rd class.

(691 of 1904)

No. 414, Naik DAD SHAH, *55th Coke's Rifles (Frontier Forces)*, was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry in action near Niani Village, Tibet, on the 25th June 1904, when he ran forward alone under a close fire from the enemy and carried a wounded man into safety, having to halt once and drive back the enemy who had advanced and were firing upon him.

(749 of 1904)

No. 1352, Havildar SHORIF, *40th Pathans*, was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry in the attack on the fortified post at Niani, Tibet, on the 26th June 1904, when he, at the imminent risk of his life, entered a dark room alone to dislodge a party of the enemy who were occupying it and who fired at him at close range.

No. 2206, Lance-Naik PAYAO, *40th Pathans*, for an act of conspicuous gallantry on the same occasion when he, with great dash and at the risk of his life, was the first to escalate the wall and gain an entrance to the fort which was held in force by the enemy.

No. 3650, Sepoy AKBAR SHAH, *40th Pathans*, for conspicuous gallantry in the attack on Gyantse Jong on the 6th July 1914, in having carried a box of explosives, a distance of some 700 yards across a fire-swept zone.

No. 3405, Sepoy BHAGWAN SINGH, *32nd Sikh Pioneers*, for conspicuous gallantry at the Karola, Tibet, on the 6th May 1904, when he advanced alone under a heavy fire and brought away a dead comrade's rifle to prevent its falling into the hands of the enemy.

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Had No. 2791, Sepoy PREM SINGH, *32nd Sikh Pioneers*, survived, the distinction of the 3rd class of the Indian Order of Merit would have been conferred upon him in recognition of his conspicuous gallantry on the 20th May 1904, when he, being one of a party waiting for some explosives to blow in the door of a village strongly held by the enemy, was killed while attempting by himself to climb a high wall and thus effect an entrance. His widow was admitted to the pension of the 3rd class.

(1143 of 1904).

No. 3921, Naik USMAN KHAN, *3rd Company, 1st Sappers and Miners*, was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry at Gyantse Jong, Tibet, on the 6th July 1904, when he, while assisting Captain Shepard R. E. to lay a charge of gun cotton at one of the gates of the Fort, stood up and drove away a Tibetan who had fired from the machicoulis above, thus exposing himself to fire at a distance of a few feet from the machicoulis.

(1169 of 1904).

Promoted from the 3rd to the 2nd class of the order.

Subadar Major KABIRAJ KHAKI, *8th Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry on the 6th July 1904, when he led a half company of the regiment to the attack of Gyantse town, forcing his way with 30 men through the town and up the Jong Hill to the main gate, where he maintained his position for two hours though exposed to a heavy fire and showers of stones from the top of the Jong.

Subadar NAWAL SINGH RANA, *8th Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry on the 6th July 1904, during

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the attack on Gyantse Jong, when, advancing to the assault on the breach, although wounded in both legs, he continued in action though urged to fall out.

Admitted to the 3rd class of the Order.

No. 3529, Lance-Naik JHANDA SINGH, *23rd Sikh Pioneers*, for conspicuous gallantry on the 19th May 1904, when on dak patrol with seven men and attacked by several hundred Tibetans about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Gyantse Post, he, though severely wounded and unable to use his rifle, opened packets of ammunition with his teeth and distributed the rounds amongst his comrades, thus by his gallant conduct and example keeping his party fighting for some time against large odds till rescued by a party of mounted infantry.

No. 3752, Sepoy TILOK SINGH, *23rd Sikh Pioneers*, for conspicuous gallantry on the 19th May 1904, when on dak patrol with seven men and attacked by several hundred Tibetans about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Gyantse Post he, though severely wounded, continued fighting for over an hour against large odds till rescued by a party of mounted infantry.

No. 4129, Sepoy JOWALLA SINGH, *23rd Sikh Pioneers*, for conspicuous gallantry at the Karola on the 6th May 1904, when a Tibetan unhorsed and severely wounded Lance-Naik Thakur Singh and then attacked Jemadar Hazara Singh, 16th Cavalry, who had run out of ammunition. Sepoy Jowalla Singh courageously rushed forward and felled the Tibetan, with his rifle; and though himself severely wounded in the encounter, held down the Tibetan till he could be secured, thereby saving the lives of his two comrades.

No. 3324, Sepoy (ward orderly) ROLLA SINGH, *23rd Sikh Pioneers*, for conspicuous courage and coolness on the 26th June 1904, when, during the attack on

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Naini Monastery, he rushed forward under a hot fire and dressed the wounds of a comrade who had fallen dangerously wounded, and helped to carry him to a place of safety.

Subadar KESAR SINGH, *32nd Pioneers*, for conspicuous gallantry at the assault on the village of Palla, on the 26th May 1904. This Indian officer personally superintended the laying of four mines against the walls of buildings in the village, on each occasion under a heavy fire, and, after effecting a breach in the most formidable house in the village, he was the first to enter the building which was crowded with the enemy, shooting one of them.

No. 3457, Havildar LABH SINGH, *32nd Pioneers*, for conspicuous gallantry during the assault on the village of Palla, on the 26th May 1904, in removing a box of gun-cotton which had been deposited 150 yards from the village. Under the fire of the enemy, Havildar Labh Singh ran out from the village and tried to raise the box alone. Finding he could not do this, he ran back to the village, procured assistance and returned and succeeded in bringing the box into the village, thus traversing a distance of 150 yards three times under a close and heavy fire. Subsequently, during the course of the day, he behaved with great gallantry in the laying of four mines under heavy fire.

No. 1486, Havildar KARBIR PUN, *8th Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry at the taking of Gyantse Jong on the 6th July 1904, when, after being knocked back as he was following Lieutenant Grant in his first attempt to get into the breach, and falling a height of 20 feet, he, as soon as he had recovered his breath, rushed up to the breach again and was the first into it.

No. 1746, Havildar JANGBIR RANA, *8th Gurkha*

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Rifles, for conspicuous gallantry during the assault on a village near Gyantse Jong on the 6th July 1904, when he climbed a wall ten feet high strongly held by the enemy. From this position he checked the fire of the enemy and killed several of them, being himself wounded.

No. 2239, Rifleman RAMU GURUNG, *8th Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry during the assault on Gyantse Jong on the 6th July 1904, when, following Lieutenant Grant into the breach, he helped to prevent that officer from slipping back as the ground kept giving way, displaying great gallantry and being wounded in his endeavours to be one of the first to enter the breach.

No. 2124, Rifleman KARAGBIR GURUNG, *8th Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry during the assault on Gyantse Jong on the 6th July 1904, when following Lieutenant Grant he exhibited marked courage in his endeavours to be one of the first to reach the breach.

No. 279, Sapper CHAGATTA, *No. 3 Company, 1st Sappers and Miners*, for conspicuous gallantry at the storming of the village of Palla on the 26th May 1904, when under fire and a hail of bricks and stones he carried a heavy box of gun cotton to Captain Sheppard, R.E., by whom he stood till the charge was laid and the fuze lit.

(957 of 1904).

Sepoy MUHAMMAD NASIM, *Queen's Own Corps of Guides (Lumsden's)*, was admitted to the 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry in Tibet on the 25th July 1904, when he, well knowing the great danger of the undertaking due to the width and rapidity of the stream and the risk of attracting the fire of the enemy, voluntarily swam across the Saupu river to bring back

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a boat from the opposite bank.

Had Naik Sohbat of the same corps survived; he would have been promoted from the 2nd to the 1st class in recognition of his conspicuous gallantry on the same occasion when he was drowned in his attempt to swim the river. His widow was admitted to the pension of the 1st class.

(908 of 1905).

N.W. FRONTIER,—1905.

The undermentioned non-commissioned officer and sepoy of the *Zhob Levy Corps*, were admitted to the 3rd class:—

Havildar HAYAT KHAN, for conspicuous gallantry during the attack by raiders on Shinbaz Post on the 26th April 1905, when he was in command of the post. He continued fighting though wounded, and by his personal example encouraged his men to continue the defence of the post.

Sepoy ALI JAN. For conspicuous gallantry on the 26th April 1905, when left severely wounded in a lower room in the hands of the raiders during an attack on Shinbaz Post, he, at the imminent risk of his life, shouted to his comrades on the upper floor that the raiders were setting fire to the ceiling. He thus enabled them to extinguish the fire.

Sepoy SUULTAN KHAN. For conspicuous gallantry while on sentry duty at Shinbaz Post on the 26th April 1905, when the post was attacked by raiders, he extinguished a fire ignited by the raiders in the floor of the upper storey of the post, by digging away the flooring and thus exposing himself to a heavy fire from below.

(1038 of 1905).

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Subadar MAHIBULLA, *Southern Waziristan Militia*, was admitted to 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry at Sarweki on the 30th June 1905, when accompanied by three sowars and six sepoy, he went in pursuit of a gang of raiders. He succeeded in cutting off the retreat of the raiders, and displayed great personal courage and skilful leading in the fight that ensued, with the result that all the raiders were either killed or captured.

(838 of 1905).

The undermentioned non-commissioned officer and sepoy of the *Northern Waziristan Militia*, were admitted to the 3rd class:—

Naik MIAN KHAN, Sepoy KAMAR DIN, Sepoy ABBAS KHAN. For conspicuous gallantry and coolness in an affair with Wazir raiders and outlaws at Spina Khaisora on the 22nd September 1905, when the non-commissioned officer and his small picquet of six men, while proceeding to take up their picquet position to watch the tonga road, were ambushed by 16 to 20 men armed with Martini-Henry rifles and led by the notorious outlaw Iln Din, and though three men out of the seven were hit before they could return the fire, they stood their ground and held the raiders in check until help arrived.

(221 of 1906).

The undermentioned non-commissioned officer and sepoy of the *Zhob Levy Corps*, were admitted to the 3rd class:—

Naik AMIN KHAN.—For conspicuous gallantry displayed during the attack by raiders on the Gudawana Post on the night of the 14th December 1905, when he, being in command of the Post, continued, though wounded and unable to stand, to help the other defenders by distributing ammunition and extinguishing

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lighted rags which the attackers threw into the magazine, and thus by his personal example, encouraged his men to continue the defence.

Sepoy MAJID.—For conspicuous gallantry displayed on the night of the 14th December 1905, in joining Naick Amin Khan in the magazine, to reach which he had to cross the courtyard of the Post under a heavy cross fire; also for taking a prominent part in the defence, fighting the raiders until they fled.

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Sepoy GULLA SHAH, *Kyber Rifles*, was admitted to 3rd class, for conspicuous gallantry displayed during the ambush of raiders at Tandai on the Khajurai plain, off the Border of the Peshawar District, on the 26th July 1906, when, though severely wounded, he remained fighting until, after a hand-to-hand struggle, he had disposed of his adversary—one of the most notorious ruffians in the Hazarnao gang.

(553 of 1906).

N. W. FRONTIER, 1908.

No. 2992, Havildar HARI SINGH, *28th Punjabis*, admitted to the 3rd class. For conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Bazar Valley Field Force. During the action of the 21st February 1908, this non-commissioned officer assisted wounded men of his regiment to get under cover while he was under a hot cross fire from the enemy.

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No. 4165, Naik GURDIT SINGH, *28th Punjabis*, for conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Bazar Valley Field Force. During the action of the 21st February 1908, this non-commissioned officer remained to the last during a retirement, and, although hotly pressed and under a heavy fire, he carried a wounded Dogra sepoy down the hill on his back into a place of safety.

No. 4178, Sepoy MUNSHI, *28th Punjabis* for conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Bazar Valley Field Force. During a retirement on the 21st February 1908, this sepoy carried a wounded comrade out of danger on his back for a long distance under fire.

No. 1877, Sepoy BISHEN SINGH, *54th Sikhs (Frontier Force)*, for conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Bazar Valley Field Force. On the 18th February 1908, during a retirement, this sepoy went back with Lieutenant S. R. Shirely to assist in bringing in a wounded comrade when under a heavy fire from the enemy.

Havildar YAR BAR, *Khyber Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Bazar Valley Field Force, in performing reconnoitring duties at the risk of his life on five separate occasions.

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Admitted to the 3rd class.

No 3191, Sowar JEHANGIR BEG, *21st Prince Albert Victor's Own Cavalry (Frontier Force) (Daly's Horse)*. For conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Mohmand Field Force. On the 24th May 1908, during the rear-guard action near Kargha, this sowar rode under a heavy fire to the assistance of some wounded men of the 55th Coke's Rifles (*Frontier Force*), dismounted, and gave up his horse to Havildar

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Kishan Singh who had been dangerously wounded in the chest, and then led the horse back to shelter.

No. 3531, Havildar SADU SINGH, *22nd Punjabis*. For conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Mohmand Field Force. On the night of the 16th-17th May 1908, when the picquet at Kasai under his command was the object of a furious and sustained attack by the enemy, this non-commissioned officer, although wounded, continued to direct his men, and by his example of coolness and determination inspired those under him with confidence, and thus contributed in a great measure to the successful resistance of the enemy's attack, during which this picquet suffered heavily.

No. 4780, Naik RAM SINGH, *22nd Punjabis*. For conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Mohmand Field Force. On the night of the 16th-17th May 1908, this non-commissioned officer was one of the signallers of the picquet at Kasai, and, although wounded, continued to take part in the defence, showing an example of coolness and courage which contributed in a great measure to the successful resistance of the enemy's attack.

No. 1561, Buglar GOPAL SINGH, *34th Sikh Pioneers*. For conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Mohmand Field Force. On the 18th May 1908, at Zanawar, on the occasion of a ghazi attack, this bugler at once dashed into the enemy and displayed a fine spirit of courage.

No. 1694, Sepoy PAHARA SINGH, *34th Sikh Pioneers*. For conspicuous gallantry during the operations of the Mohmand Field Force. On the 18th May 1908, at Zanawar, on the occasion of a ghazi attack, this sepoy stood bravely at bay thereby averting a possible panic and safeguarding the lives of