



BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 11th May 1842.

The Hon'ble the Governor in Council has great gratification in republishing for general information the following General Order issued on the 30th Ultimo, by the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India.

*By order of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council,
J. P. WILLOUGHBY, Secy. to Govt.*

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

General order by the Right Honorable the Governor General of India.

Head Quarters, Allahabad, April 30th, 1842.

The Governor General has received a report from Major General Pollock, C. B. dated the 16th instant, announcing his arrival at Jelalabad.

The Major General has thus carried into effect the orders of the Government in a manner which entitles him to the highest approbation.

Receiving the command of the army at Peshawar under circumstances of peculiar difficulty, he has in the midst of new and unforeseen embarrassments and disappointments, preserved a firm mind, and justly relying upon his own judgment, he has at last, with equal discretion and decision, accomplished the object he was directed to effect.

The Governor General requests Major General Pollock to accept his acknowledgments of the good service he has thus rendered to the Government of India, and begs he will communicate to the gallant Officers and troops under his command, the entire satisfaction with which their conduct has been regarded on this occasion.

The Governor General has already in communicating the despatch from Major General Sir Robert Sale, K. C. B., dated the 7th instant, expressed his high sense of the services of that Officer and of the garrison of Jelalabad, terminating on that day by a decisive victory, which would have left nothing to desire had Colonel Dennie survived to enjoy it.

The garrison of Jelalabad having on that day achieved its safety by its own prowess, and being now reunited to the army by the movements of the force under the command of Major General Pollock, C. B., it remains only for the Governor General to testify his opinion of the just claims of that garrison to the gratitude of the Government and of their Country.

The Governor General is pleased to direct that the second company of the sixth battalion of Artillery shall bear upon its appointments, and the fifth regiment of Light cavalry upon its standards and appointments, and the thirty-fifth regiment of Native infantry upon its colors and appointments, a mural crown superscribed "Jelalabad," as a memorial of the fortitude, perseverance and enterprize evinced by those several Corps during the blockade of Jelalabad.

The Governor General is likewise pleased, in conformity with the recommendation of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, to direct that "in order to give additional and lasting honors to the 35th Native Infantry, whilst it benefits the service generally, that corps shall hereafter be made a light infantry regiment, the duties of which it is already so well acquainted with and has performed with so much zeal and spirit."

The Governor General is further pleased to direct that a silver medal be made for every officer, non-commissioned officer, and private, European and Native, who belonged to the Garrison of Jelalabad on the seventh of April, 1842, such medals to be all similar, and to bear on one side a mural crown superscribed "Jelalabad" and on the other side the words "April 7th 1842".

The Government of India will present such medal to every officer, non-commissioned officer, and private, European and Native, belonging to their service, and will request the home authorities to lay before her Majesty their most humble prayer that her Majesty will be graciously pleased to permit the Major General Commanding, and the officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates in her Majesty's service, who formed part of the Garrison of Jelalabad, to receive and wear a medal similar to that which will be so presented to their brothers in arms.

The Governor General, taking into consideration the many great privations to which the troops composing the garrison of Jelalabad were exposed during the blockade of that place, and the noble fortitude with which all such privations were borne, as well as the various losses the troops sustained, is pleased to direct that a donation of six months batta be made to all the officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates, European and Native, who composed the garrison of Jelalabad on the 7th of April, 1842.

The Governor General will request his Excellency the Commander in Chief of the Army to give instructions in due time that the several corps composing the garrison of Jelalabad may, on their return to India, be received at all the stations on their route to their cantonments, by all the troops at such Stations, in review order with presented arms.

*By order of the Right Honorable the Governor General of India.
(Signed) T. H. MADDOCK,
Secretary of the Govt. of India,
with the Governor General.*

(True Copy.)
J. P. WILLOUGHBY,
Secretary to Govt.