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And a large line of Woollen Goods, of every description, all
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This is a bona fide sale. Come one, come all, and see for your-
selves.
W. & A. BROWN.
Charlottetown, October 8, 1879.

SECOND EDITION

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THE BRITISH COMMANDERS IN AFGHANISTAN.

A Short Sketch of their Military
Record.

BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERTS.

Major General Sir F. S. Roberts, K. C. B., V. C., Royal Artillery, Commanding the Kurum Division—served with the 28th Regiment throughout the Eastern Campaign of 1854-55, including the battles of Alma and Inkerman, siege and fall of Sebastopol, and affair in the Cemetery on the 18th June (medal with three clasps, Brevet of Major, Knight of the Legion of Honor, 5th Class of the Medjidie and Turkish Medal.) Commanded a detachment of 500 men of the 28th Regiment against the Waghers with the Okanundel Field Force in 1859, including the assault on the fort of Beyt on the 6th October, and siege and occupation of Dwarka; commanded the reconnaissance on Dwarka from Lt. Colonel Donovan's Force, consisting of 2 field pieces and 150 men, on the 26th of October, 1859.

MAJOR-GENERAL BRIGHT.

Major-General R. O. Bright, C. B., Her Majesty's Service, commanding the Khyber Division—served in the Eastern campaign of 1854-55, with the 19th Regiment, including the battles of Alma and Inkerman, siege and fall of Sebastopol, and storming of the Redan on the 18th June and 8th September, mentioned in despatches (medal with three clasps), Brevet of Lieut.-Colonel, Knight of the Legion of Honor, 5th Class of the Medjidie and Turkish Medal. Commanded as Brigadier General the 1st Brigade Hazara Field Force of 1868, including the expedition against the Turks on the Black Mountain (mentioned in despatches, thanked by the Government of India, C. B. Medal with clasp.)

BRIGADIER-GENERAL MASSEY.

Brigadier General W. G. D. Massey, 5th Lancers, commanding the Cavalry Brigade in the Kurum Division, served in the latter part of the siege of Sebastopol, was under fire at the battle of the Tchernaya, and commanded the Grenadiers of the 19th Regiment at the assault of the Redan, on the 8th September, where being left on the ground, he fell into the hands of the enemy the ensuing night, who supposing him to be mortally wounded, did not remove him with their prisoners. Was recommended in a special despatch by the Commander-in-Chief in the Crimea, for his gallantry at the Redan, his fortitude, and the patient endurance with which he bore his most severe suffering, during a confinement to his camp-stretcher of nearly six months, (promoted Captain, Medal with clasp, Knight of the Legion of Honor, and Turkish Medal.)

BRIGADIER-GENERAL McPHERSON.

Brigadier-General H. T. McPherson, C. B., V. C., Bengal Staff Corps, commanding 1st Infantry Brigade, Kurum Division, served in the Persian war in 1857, as Adjutant 78th Highlanders, including the night attack and battle of Kosshab, and bombardment of Mohumrah, (Medal and clasp.) Served in Bengal with Havelock's column, present in actions of Onao, (wounded.) Vusurutunge, (first and second) Boorbeakehookes and Bethoor, and in the several actions leading to and ending in the relief of the Residency at Lucknow, and subsequent defence, (Victoria Cross); with Jutram's force at Mumbugh, including the repulse of the numerous attacks, and served as a Brigade Major in the operations ending in the final capture of Lucknow, wounded, (Medal and clasp and Brevet of Major.)

COLONEL BAKER.

Colonel T. D. Baker, C. B., 18th Foot, Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, commanding the 2nd Infantry Brigade in the Kurum Division, served with the 18th Royal Irish in the Crimea from 30th December, 1854, including the siege and fall of Sebastopol, mentioned in despatches, and awarded the Sardinian medal, for "gallantry displayed at the attack of the Cemetery and suburbs of Sebastopol on the 18th of June, 1855," (medal with clasp, Sardinian and Turkish medals). Served in India during the mutiny in 1857, with the field force under Colonel Beaton; served in New Zealand during the Waikato and Wanganni campaigns of 1864-66, as Deputy A. A. General; was present at the action at Rangiahia as Acting Assistant Military Secretary to Lieut-General Sir Duncan Cameron (mentioned in despatches, Brevet of Major); was Staff officer to the force under Major General Carey at the attack and capture of Orakan—mentioned in despatches for "gallantry, and untiring energy and zeal evinced" (medal). Accompanied Sir Garnet Wolseley to the Gold Coast in September, 1873, and served throughout the Ashantee war of 1873-74, as Assistant, Adjutant and Quarter-Master General, including the action of Essaman, relief of Abakrumpa, battle of Aromafu, battle of Oadashuf and capture of Coomassi; also in addition performed the duties of Chief of the Staff from the 4th of October to the 17th of December; was mentioned in despatches by Sir Garnet Wolseley in the following terms:—"The duties of Chief of the Staff was ably carried

out to my entire satisfaction by Major Baker, Assistant Adjutant General, to whose untiring energy I owe much of the success that has attended all our operations. In my opinion he possesses every quality that is valuable in a staff officer." Several times mentioned in despatches Brevet of Lieut.-Colonel, C. B., medal with clasp.)

COLONEL TYTLER.

Col. J. A. Tytler, C. B., V. C., Bengal Staff Corps, commanding the 3rd Infantry Brigade, in the Kurum Division—served with the force under Sir Colin Campbell against the Hill Tribes, on the Peshawur frontier, in 1851-52, and in the attack on 1853—(Medal with Clasp.) Served in the Indian mutiny campaign of 1857-59, including the defence of the Kumao, Hills and Robileund against the rebels, and was shot through the left arm and received a spear wound in the chest, while engaged in a hand-to-hand fight in the action of Choo-poorah on the 10th February, 1858 (Victoria Cross); also served in the Cude campaign of 1858-59, including the actions of Pusgoan and Russolpore, attack and capture of Fort Mittoowee, and action of Biswah—(Medal.) Commanded the 4th Goorkhas in the Umbeylah Pass 1863, including the assault and capture of the Conical Hill and Villages of Lalloo and Umbeylah. Again in the Hazara campaign in the Black Mountain in 1868—clasp; and the Loosshai expedition in 1871-2—clasp. He has been four times mentioned in despatches.

COLONEL GORDON.

Col. T. E. Gordon, C. S. I., Bengal Staff Corps, commanding the 4th Infantry Brigade in the Kurum Division, served as second in command of the 7th Punjab Infantry during the Indian campaign of 1858-59. Commanded the Bude forts, Dehayn and Turol, on the 14th and 17th July, 1858. Engaged in operations in Futteghur, Aginghur and Gorrickpore districts, 1853, and in the Teras, Napal, in 1859 (five times mentioned in despatches, medal.)

Presence of Mind.

It is noticeable how the characters of mind and body correspond, and how the ready man is generally quick in his movements, prompt in action, and fertile in resource. The great Napoleon used to say that no quality was so rare or so valuable as (what he called) two-o'clock-in-the-morning courage. The power of suddenly changing front, and altering the whole scheme of the campaign, was precisely what the greatest of all modern strategists would admire. He himself eminently possessed it. The man who had the wit to say to the aristocrat who taunted him with his lack of ancestry, "Moi je suis ancetre," possessed a readiness of words as well as of action. He was not likely to lose either his head or his tongue. But this kind of promptitude is rarely coupled with staying power. It is distinctly meteoric, and part of the brilliancies due to the gloom which follows it. And, therefore, the nations who most possess it are also purposeless, and without reserve of force. We all know of our own countrymen that in a campaign they are generally worsted at first and victorious at last. When we say that an Englishman never knows when he is beaten it really amounts to this, that he is invariably beaten often before he ultimately wins. The quality of "dash" is not the bull-dog quality of "Hold fast and tear 'em." One very amusing instance of military readiness is given in Napier's "Memoirs." The troops were descending a narrow gorge in India, when suddenly a mad bull was seen charging down at full swing, and with tremendous impetus. The captain had presence of mind enough to give the word of command, which his soldiers mechanically followed. The order he gave sounds singular enough. It was this: "Prepare to receive cavalry." The soldiers obeyed, and the unfortunate bull was impaled on their bayonets. This episode has always been cited as an instance of the courage of British soldiery. It seems rather to illustrate the courage of the Indian bull. The quality belongs also to certain professions. With military men it is absolutely essential. But an advocate cannot be great without it. It is better than eloquence, and is that quality which makes the barrister win his clients' cases often by holding his tongue. A man with less readiness might be an elegant bungler. The possession of it has been of rare advantage to Lord Beaconsfield, and has directed him into the channels of political success; while the want of it has left abler men at the foot of the ladder.

The many friends of Dr. McSwain will be glad to learn that he has settled in Watertown, Mass. The memory of the Dr's. kindness and attention, in addition to his practical skill as a physician during an extensive practice for upwards of five years in the southern portion of Island, will not readily be forgotten, while many regret that the impairment of his health should have compelled him to leave his friends and seek another field of usefulness. We are happy to state that the Dr. enjoys good health now, and we have no doubt as to his success in his new field. His extensive experience in some of the large Hospitals of Europe, with Diplomas from Harvard and Royal College of Physicians, London, England, is sufficient guarantee of his devotedness to his profession, and his thoroughness as a skilful physician. We are assured that he is very much missed, not only as a physician, but also as a worthy member of society. The temperance workers in Belfast have lost in him a zealous and devoted advocate, as also the Church of which he was a worthy member.