

**Strength of the Kabul Field Force  
31 December 1879**

Eastern Afghanistan Field Force, under the command of  
Lieutenant-General Sir F. S. Roberts, K.C.B., V.C.

First Division:

Cavalry: Brigadier-General D Massey, V.C.

9th Lancers 14/319/0/0\*  
5th Punjab Cavalry 0/0/8/403  
12th Bengal Cavalry 0/0/6/395  
14th Bengal Lancers 0/0/6/372

Royal Artillery: Colonel B L Gordon, R.A.

F Battery, A Brigade Royal Horse Artillery 6/125/0/0  
G Battery, 3rd Brigade Royal Artillery 6/136/0/0  
No. 1 Mountain Battery 0/0/3/153  
No. 2 Mountain Battery 0/0/6/204  
Gatlings, 2 - 0/0/0/0

1st Infantry Brigade: Brigadier-General H T Macpherson, V.C.

67th Foot 19/643/0/0  
92nd Highlanders 20/724/0/0  
28th Punjab Native Infantry 0/0/7/635

2nd Infantry Brigade: Brigadier-General T D Baker

72nd Highlanders 23/708/0/0  
3rd Sikhs 0/0/8/710  
5th Punjab Infantry 0/0/5/640  
23rd Bengal Pioneers 0/0/7/685  
5th Gurkhas 0/0/7/560  
7th Company Sappers and Miners 0/2/3/86

Second Division:

1st Brigade: Brigadier-General C Gough, V.C., C.B.

Cavalry: Colonel Jenkins

The Guides Cavalry 0/0/4/254  
10th Bengal Lancers (detachment) 0/0/0/20

Royal Artillery:

No. 4 (Hazara) Mountain Battery (4 guns) 0/0/3/125

1st Infantry Brigade:

2/9th Foot 19/580/0/0  
2nd Gurkhas 0/0/7/451  
Guides Infantry 0/0/6/564  
4th Gurkhas 0/0/6/431  
3rd Company Sappers and Miners 0/11/7/139

At Kabul

1st Division	7,654
2nd Division (part)	2,627

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10,281 including regimental officers

\* Figures are: British officers; British NCO's & men; British officers of native regiments; Native officers, NCO's & men

Veterinary Department:

Principal Veterinary Surgeon: Veterinary-Surgeon F F Collins

Engineer Department:

Commanding: Lt-Colonel D Limond, R.E.  
Major E T Thackeray, V.C., R.E.  
No. 2 Company Sappers & Miners: Lt J C L Campbell  
No. 3 Company Sappers & Miners: Captain H Dove  
No. 5 Company Sappers & Miners: Lt E S Hill  
No. 6 Company Sappers & Miners: Lt W F H Stafford

Communications and Transport:

Road Commandant: Lt-Colonel W S A Lockhart  
Assistant Road Commandants: Captain C H Stoddart, B.S.C.  
Lt E B Colke, R.H.A.  
Director of Transport: Lt-Colonel H St. G Tucker, B.I.  
Field Treasure Chest (Jalalabad): Major J C T Humfrey, 2/9th Foot  
Field Treasure Chest (Landi Kotal): Captain R O'S Brooke, 1/12th Foot  
In Charge of Signalling: Lt J B MacDonnell, 1/12th Foot

Artillery:

Commanding: Colonel C R O Evans, R.A.  
Adjutant: Captain R A Lanning, R.A.  
Orderly Officer: Captain R H S Baker  
I-A, R.H.A., Major M W Ommaney, R.H.A. (1st Brigade)  
C-3, R.A., Major H C Magenis, R.A.  
11-9, R.A., Major J M Douglas, R.A.  
D-A, R.H.A., Brevet Lt-Colonel S Parry, R.A.  
No. 4 (Hazara) Battery Mountain Train, Captain A Broadfoot (1st Br)  
Ordnance Field Park, Major S Cargill, R.A.

1st Brigade:

Commanding: Brigadier-General C J S Gough, V.C., C.B.  
Brigade Major: Captain M G Gerard, Bengal Staff Corps  
Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General: Major A A A Kinloch, 60th Rifles  
Brigade Transport Officer: Major H J Hallows  
Orderly Officer: Lt F H R Drummond, 10th Bengal Lancers  
Political Assistant: Captain L Tucker

Cavalry:

Guides Cavalry, Colonel F H Jenkins, C.B.  
10th Bengal Lancers, Major W H Macnagten

Infantry:

2/9th Foot, Lt-Colonel W Daunt  
2nd Gurkhas, Major A Battye  
Guides Infantry, Lt-Colonel R B Campbell  
4th Gurkhas, Major F F Rowcroft  
24th Punjab Native Infantry, Colonel F B Norman  
45th Sikhs, Colonel F M Armstrong  
6th Company Sappers & Miners, Lt W F H Stafford, R.E.

2nd Brigade:

Commanding: Brigadier-General C G Arbuthnot, R.A., C.B.

Brigade Major: Captain J Cook, Bengal Staff Corps

Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General: Captain C A Carthew, B.S.C.

Cavalry:

6th Dragoon Guards (Carabiniers), Lt-Colonel J Fryer

3rd Bengal cavalry, Lt-Colonel A R D Mackenzie

17th Bengal Cavalry, Lt-Colonel T J Watson

Infantry:

51st King's Own Light Infantry, Colonel C Ball-Acton

22nd Punjab Native Infantry, Colonel J J O'Bryen

27th Punjab Native Infantry, Lt-Colonel C J Hughes

2nd Company Sappers & Miners, Lt J C L Campbell, R.E.

3rd Brigade:

Commanding: Brigadier-General J Doran, C.B.

Brigade Major: Major H P Pearson, 1/12th Foot

Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General: Lt F C Maisey, Bengal Staff Corps

Infantry:

1/12th Foot, Colonel G F Walker

2nd Bengal Light Infantry, Colonel T N Baker

8th Bengal Native Infantry, Lt-Colonel R Smith

30th Punjab Native Infantry, Colonel T W R Boisragon

31st Punjab Native Infantry, Lt-Colonel F Tweddell

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