

**THE LATE SIR J. STEWART WOOD**

Col. Sir **John Stewart WOOD**, K.C.B., died somewhat suddenly at the close of last week at Ryde, from an attack of inflammation of the lungs. He was in his 68<sup>th</sup> year. The last surviving son of the late Major J. T. WOOD, by his marriage with Hannah Elizabeth, daughter of the late Major-General James STEWART, R.A., he was born in the year 1813 and was educated at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst.

He served in the Coorg campaign in 1834, in the Light Company of the 48<sup>th</sup> Regiment, and subsequently through the Afghan campaigns of 1838-42, in which he acted as aide-de-camp to Sir Robert SALE and Adjutant to the 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment. He took part in the storming of Gharni and was present at the battle of Jellalabad. He was also in the storming party of the Jagdalak Pass, and at the re-capture of Cabul. He served, too, in the Eastern campaign of 1854-55, as Assistant and Adjutant-General to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Division of the Forces, and subsequently to Head-Quarters, and took part in the battles of Alma and Inkerman, the capture of Balaklava, and most of the siege operations before Sebastopole. For his Crimean services he obtained the Knighthood of the Legion of Honour, the fourth-class of the Medjidie and the Turkish medal. From 1863 down to his retirement in 1876 he held the Inspector-Generalship of the Royal Irish Constabulary. He was nominated a Companion of Bath in 1855 and was promoted to the dignity of a Knight Commander of that Order in 1870. Sir John WOOD married, in 1844, Isabella Frances, third daughter of the late Mr. George BAKER, of Beverley, St. Stephen's, Canterbury.

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