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WAR OFFICE, September 28, 1900.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the under-mentioned Officer, Non-Commissioned Officer, and Private Soldier, whose claims have been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for their conspicuous bravery in South Africa, 1900, as stated against their names:—

Regiment.	Name.	Act of Courage for which recommended.
Gordon Highlanders	Captain William Engleson Gordon	<p>On the 11th July 1900, during the action near Leehoek (or Doornbosch Fontein), near Krugersdorp, a party of men, accompanied by Captains Younger* and Allan, having succeeded in dragging an artillery waggon under cover when its horses were unable to do so by reason of the heavy and accurate fire of the enemy, Captain Gordon called for volunteers to go out with him to try to bring in one of the guns.</p> <p>He went out alone to the nearest gun under a heavy fire, and with the greatest coolness fastened a drag-rope to the gun, and then beckoned to the men, who immediately doubled out to join him in accordance with his previous instructions.</p> <p>While moving the gun, Captain Younger and three men were hit. Seeing that further attempts would only result in further casualties, Captain Gordon ordered the remainder of the party under cover of the kopje again, and having seen the wounded safely away, himself retired.</p> <p>Captain Gordon's conduct, under a particularly heavy and most accurate fire at only 850 yards range, was most admirable, and his manner of handling his men most masterly; his devotion on every occasion that his Battalion has been under fire has been remarkable.</p>

MEMORANDUM.

* Captain David Reginald Younger, the Gordon Highlanders, in recognition of the conspicuous bravery displayed by him on the same occasion (11th July 1900), would have been recommended to Her Majesty for the Victoria Cross had he survived.