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WAR OFFICE, January 4, 1901.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the under-mentioned Non-Commissioned Officer, whose claims have been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for his conspicuous bravery during the operations near Van Wyk's Vlei, as stated against his name:—

Regiment.	Name.	Act of Courage for which recommended.
1st Battalion Liverpool Regiment, No. 1 Company, 4th Division Mounted Infantry	Corporal H. J. Knight	<p>On the 21st August, during the operations near Van Wyk's Vlei, Corporal Knight was posted in some rocks with four men covering the right rear of a detachment of the same Company, who, under Captain Ewart, were holding the right of the line.</p> <p>The enemy, about 50 strong, attacked Captain Ewart's right and almost surrounded, at short range, Corporal Knight's small party. That Non-Commissioned Officer held his ground, directing his party to retire one by one to better cover, where he maintained his position for nearly an hour, covering the withdrawal of Captain Ewart's force, and losing two of his four men.</p> <p>He then retired, bringing with him two wounded men. One of these he left in a place of safety, the other he carried himself for nearly two miles.</p> <p>The party were hotly engaged during the whole time.</p>

SCOTTISH OFFICE, WHITEHALL,
January 5, 1901.

The Extra-Parliamentary Panel of Persons qualified by experience of affairs to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, has been nominated by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords

and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, acting jointly with the Secretary for Scotland, in terms of the Act, and is formed as from the first day of January 1901, as follows:—

Sir Ralph Anstruther, Bart., Balcaskie, Pittenweem, Fife.