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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1914.

WAR OFFICE, December 7, 1914.

HIS MAJESTY the KING-EMPEROR has been graciously pleased to approve of the grant of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned soldiers of the Indian Army for conspicuous bravery whilst serving with the Indian Army Corps, British Expeditionary Force :—

1909, Naik Darwan Sing Negi, 1st Battalion, 39th Garhwal Rifles.

For great gallantry on the night of the 23rd-24th November, near Festubert, France, when the regiment was engaged in retaking and clearing the enemy out of our trenches, and, although wounded in two places in the head, and also in the arm, being one of the first to push round each successive traverse, in the face of severe fire from bombs and rifles at the closest range.

4050, Sepoy Khudadad, 129th Duke of Connaught's Own Baluchis.

On 31st October 1914, at Hollebeke, Belgium, the British Officer in charge of the detachment having been wounded, and the other gun put out of action by a shell, Sepoy Khudadad, though himself wounded, remained working his gun until all the other five men of the gun detachment had been killed.

WAR OFFICE, December 9, 1914.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the grant of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned Soldiers for conspicuous bravery whilst serving with the Expeditionary Force :—

No. 8581, Drummer Spencer John Bent, 1st Battalion, The East Lancashire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry near Le Gheer on the night of the 1st-2nd November, when, after his Officer, Platoon Sergeant, and Section Commander had been struck down, he took command, and, with great presence of mind and coolness, succeeded in holding the position.

Drummer Bent had previously distinguished himself on two occasions, 22nd and 24th October, by bringing up ammunition under a heavy shell and rifle fire, and again, on the 3rd November, when he brought into cover some wounded men who were lying exposed in the open.

No. 6840, Lance-Corporal Frederick William Dobson, 2nd Battalion, Coldstream Guards.

For conspicuous gallantry at Chavanne (Aisne) on the 28th of September, in bringing into cover on two occasions, under heavy fire, wounded men who were lying exposed in the open.