

WAR OFFICE, December 9, 1914.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointment of the undermentioned Officers to be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order, in recognition of their services with the Expeditionary Force, specified below :—

Lieutenant Henry Beddingfield, M.B.,
Royal Army Medical Corps.

For coolness and daring in repeatedly superintending removal of wounded from the firing line, under heavy fire.

Captain Lightly Harold Birt, 1st Battalion, Princess Charlotte of Wales's (Royal Berkshire Regiment).

For skill and courage at Villers Cotterets, on 1st September, and at Metz Farm Valley, on 17th September, in holding his position.

Captain Basil Ferguson Burnett Hitchcock, The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment).

On 26th August, at Hancourt, France, for gallantry in rallying troops in disorder and leading them against the enemy, thereby ensuring an orderly evacuation of the village.

Major Sidney George Butler, Royal Army Medical Corps.

At Missy, on 15th September. For coolness and courage in continuing all day to collect wounded, under severe shell fire.

Lieutenant Cornelius Asgill Shaw Carleton, 2nd Battalion, The Welsh Regiment.

For daring and successful reconnaissance on several occasions, on the last of which, on 15th September, he was severely wounded.

Second Lieutenant Charles Melville Cottrell Dormer, 3rd Battalion, Coldstream Guards.

After all his men had been driven out of the trenches by enfilade fire, he remained to the last and got his wounded men away.

Lieutenant William Grenfell Riversdale Elliot, 1st Battalion, The Cheshire Regiment.

On 24th August, when, during a retirement, he ran back, picked up a wounded man, and carried him 100 yards to safety under a hot fire, being himself shot through both ankles.

Lieutenant Robert Bradford Flint, Royal Engineers.

At Missy, on 14th September, under a heavy shell fire, assisted Captain W. H. Johnston in working all day until 7 p.m. with their own hands two rafts bringing back wounded and returning with ammunition, thus enabling the advanced brigade to maintain its position on the other side of the river.

Lieutenant Charles St. Quentin Outen Fullbrook-Leggatt, 1st Battalion, Princess Charlotte of Wales's (Royal Berkshire Regiment).

For gallant conduct during an attempt to regain a bridge over the Sambre, near Marulles, on the night of 25th-26th August.

Lieutenant Arthur Lefroy Pritchard Griffith, 36th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery.

On 14th September, after being wounded, gallantly assisted in manhandling guns out of action until exhausted.

Major William Lyttleton Lawrence, 2nd Battalion, The South Wales Borderers (deceased).

For gallantry and ability in repelling the enemy on 26th September.

Captain Malcolm Leckie, Royal Army Medical Corps (deceased).

For gallant conduct and exceptional devotion to duty in attending to the wounded at Frameries, where he was himself wounded.

Major Charles Hawker Liveing, 135th Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

Bravery and devotion in withdrawing guns by hand under a heavy fire near Ligny, France, on 26th August 1914.

Captain Douglas Keith Lucas Lucas-Tooth, 9th (Queen's Royal) Lancers (deceased).

For gallantry in action against unbroken infantry at Andregnies, Belgium, on 24th August.

Lieutenant Cecil Francis Mowbray Margetts, 1st Battalion, The Dorsetshire Regiment.

On 24th August, at Paturage, when the 1st Line Transport was ambushed, he rode forward and engaged the enemy, thus giving time for his vehicles to wheel about and escape, with slight loss, he himself being wounded.

Second Lieutenant Henry Kane O'Kelly, The Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment) (Special Reserve).

For coolness and gallantry at Le Cateau, on 26th August, and for initiating at Crepy an attack on two motor-cars, which he and a small party captured under heavy musketry fire.

Lieutenant James Alexander Charles Pennyquick, Royal Engineers.

On learning that the bridge at Pontoise had not been destroyed, he went back with another officer, and successfully blew it up.

Second Lieutenant Robert Staveley, 121st Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

At Ciry, on 16th September, under a very heavy shrapnel and high-explosive shell fire, went out and helped to carry into safety Gunner Davies, a telephone operator, who had been wounded, and was unable to move.

Captain John Barry Walker, Royal Garrison Artillery.

At the battle of the Aisne, on the 14th September, rescued a wounded gunner from underneath an ammunition wagon, which was on fire.

Second Lieutenant Roger Rolleston Flick West, Intelligence Corps.

For assisting Lieutenant J. A. C. Pennyquick in the demolition of the bridge at Pontoise.