

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointments of the undermentioned Officers to be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order in recognition of their gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field:—

T./Capt. Lewis Anderson, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out his duties for forty-eight hours without relief, attending to over 100 cases and working under the most adverse conditions. He was exposed throughout to intense and heavy fire of shell and gas shells, which rendered it necessary for him to work in a mask. The following night, after his battalion had been withdrawn, he returned to search for wounded in the front line, which was still in close contact with the enemy, and, after working for several hours under heavy shell fire, he collected and evacuated all his wounded, having displayed magnificent devotion and the utmost contempt for danger throughout.

Maj. Vivian Allan Batchelor, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at all times. During an intense bombardment of his battery, with H.E. by day and gas by night, he continually moved about, with an utter disregard of danger, extinguishing dumps that had been set on fire and warning his men at the outset of gas attacks. He brought his battery up in exceptionally quick time, and kept them in action by his magnificent example, and, although badly gassed and wounded, refused to leave them. He has also made daring and valuable personal reconnaissances on several occasions.

Maj. Maurice Alexander Beattie, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in commanding and fighting his battery splendidly for four days and nights under intense concentrated heavy fire. When three guns were rendered useless, he continued to fire with the fourth, until that was also hit. He displayed very great courage and endurance under most trying conditions.

Maj. Gilbert Robertson Burnett-Stuart, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty under fire. He commanded his battery with great skill and success, overcoming difficulties of observation for wire-cutting, and on one occasion going along the whole of the front line in his zone under heavy hostile fire to ascertain the position of our most advanced infantry. He successfully accomplished this, showing exceptional coolness and an utter disregard of personal safety.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) William Charles Campbell, M.C., R.F.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on numerous occasions whilst on offensive patrols. He has displayed the greatest courage and skill in attacking enemy aircraft at close range, destroying some and driving others down out of control. He has proved himself to be a scout leader of the

highest class, and has destroyed twelve hostile machines and two balloons, besides taking part in many other combats during the last three months. By his fearlessness and offensive spirit he has set a splendid example to all ranks.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Geoffrey Francis Claudet, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in taking over and commanding his battery under exceptionally difficult and trying conditions. Though his Battery Commander and two subalterns had been killed, and the battery had suffered heavily, two guns being damaged, as well as many of his men, he succeeded in bringing the remaining guns into action very shortly after assuming command. By his gallant conduct and great devotion to duty he set a splendid example to his men.

Capt. (T./Maj.) Gilbert Eric Graham Cockburn, M.C., R. Ir. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a most critical and obscure period of an attack he was sent out with orders to clear up the situation, if possible, and to assume control of his battalion if he could reach his front line. This he eventually succeeded in doing, under heavy fire, during which he was shot through the right eye. Undeterred by this he stuck most gallantly to his mission, and although wounded again in the shoulder by a sniper, he displayed the most magnificent fearlessness and determination in reorganising and leading his men against the enemy's position. Though under intense fire he sent in valuable and accurate reports on the situation, and remained directing operations until nightfall. His great gallantry and initiative and the example of devotion to duty which he set to all ranks were beyond all praise.

T./Maj. John Drummond Deane-Drummond, M.C., Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of divisional machine guns his personal example and fearlessness had a splendid effect on all ranks during an attack. He successfully took his machine guns through our barrage and prevented the escape of two hostile field guns.

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Reginald Stewart Irvine Friend, E. Kent R., Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in personally supervising the consolidation of a captured position and pushing out important advanced posts. Although frequently under heavy shell fire he kept his men in splendid spirits by his personal example and energy.

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Harry Russell Goodman, R. Ir. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in commanding his battalion. The spirit and drive of his battalion during an attack and the splendid way in which they captured their own objective and then went to the assistance of another battalion that was temporarily in difficulties, are to be entirely attributed to the personal influence