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WAR OFFICE, October 1, 1880.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross upon the undermentioned Officer of the Cape Mounted Riflemen, whose claim has been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for his gallant conduct during the recent operations in South Africa, as recorded against his name:—

Regiment.	Name.	Act of Courage for which recommended.
Cape Mounted Riflemen	Sergeant (now Lieutenant) Robert George Scott	<p>For conspicuous gallantry and devotion during an attack on Moirosi's Mountain, on the 8th April 1879, in volunteering to throw time fuze shells, as hand grenades, over a line of stone barricades, from behind which the enemy were bringing a heavy fire to bear on the Colonial Troops, and which it was impossible effectually to return.</p> <p>After causing all the men of his party to retire under cover, lest the shell should burst prematurely,—by which precaution many lives were in all probability saved,—Sergeant Scott advanced in a most deliberate manner under a heavy fire, and, having got under the wall, made two attempts to throw shells over it. At the second attempt, owing to some defect in the fuze, which he had just lighted, the shell exploded almost in Sergeant Scott's hands, blowing his right hand to pieces, and wounding him severely in the left leg.</p>