

observation Officer in the firing line, when he worked night and day to keep his telephone line open.

He repeatedly mended his broken wires under very heavy fire, and rendered great assistance to the artillery in conveying information, carrying back the messages himself when no other means of communication were available.

Second Lieutenant A. R. F. Lucas, "O" Battery, Royal Horse Artillery.

For the excellent work performed from 10th to 12th March, 1915, as forward observing Officer during the attack on Neuve Chapelle, when his information was always timely and accurate.

On the 12th March he continued to furnish valuable information, although his station was subjected to heavy shell fire.

Lieutenant W. F. Somervail, 3rd Battalion, The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), attached 2nd Battalion.

For conspicuous gallantry, marked ability and presence of mind at Neuve Chapelle from 10th to 14th March, 1915, when he ably seconded his Commanding Officer and performed excellent work on his own initiative.

On the evening of the 12th March he collected the men of his battalion and conducted them over unknown ground to a position for attack with very good judgment.

He brought his Battalion out of action after the engagement on 14th March:

4978 Serjeant-Major J. Chalmers, 2nd Battalion, The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles).

For conspicuous gallantry and ability from 12th to 14th March, 1915, at Neuve Chapelle, in organizing carrying parties for ammunition, bombs, etc.

When Lieutenant Somervail was the only Officer left, this Warrant Officer rendered valuable assistance to him in the firing line, and also when taking the battalion out of action on 14th March.

War Office,
28th April, 1915.

REGULAR FORCES.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.

The undermentioned appointments are made:—

PERSONAL STAFF.

Aides-de-Camp—

Captain Neville C. Tufnell, 7th (Service) Battalion, The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment), and to be transferred to the General List. Dated 15th October, 1914. (Substituted for the notification which appeared in the Gazette of 3rd March, 1915.)

Temporary Lieutenant W. B. Sampson, 13th (Service) Battalion, The Rifle Brigade (The Prince Consort's Own), and to be transferred to the General List. Dated 19th January, 1915.

Major Frederick H. Allhusen, 2nd Lovat's Scouts Yeomanry, Territorial Force, vice Captain E. U. Burton.

Mackenzie, 2nd Lovat's Scouts Yeomanry, Territorial Force. Dated 1st March, 1915.

Lieutenant Hedworth G. A. Fellows, 11th (King Edward's Own) Lancers (Probyn's Horse), Indian Army. Dated 26th December, 1914.

Second Lieutenant Maurice A. Arbuthnot, 16th (The Queen's) Lancers, Special Reserve, vice Lieutenant E. Ramsden, 5th (Royal Irish) Lancers. Dated 29th March, 1915.

GENERAL STAFF.

General Staff Officers—

1st Grade—

Lieutenant-Colonel Hugh A. D. Simpson-Baikie, Royal Artillery, vice Captain (temporary Major) A. L. C. Clarke, Princess Louise's (Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders). Dated 4th April, 1915.

3rd Grade—

Major Henry F. E. Lewin, Royal Artillery, vice Captain J. S. S. P. V. Viscount Gort, M.V.O., Grenadier Guards. Dated 31st March, 1915.

Captain Ernest Hewlett, The Devonshire Regiment, vice Captain W. W. Pitt-Taylor, D.S.O., The Rifle Brigade (The Prince Consort's Own). Dated 1st April, 1915.

Captain Rupert S. Ryan, Royal Artillery, and to be seconded, vice Major G. Hutchison, 122nd Rajputana Infantry, Indian Army. Dated 3rd April, 1915.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

(Graded for purposes of pay as a General Staff Officer, 2nd Grade.)

Captain Arthur L. C. Clarke, Princess Louise's (Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders), and to be temporary Major, vice Lieutenant-Colonel H. A. D. Simpson-Baikie, Royal Artillery. Dated 4th April, 1915.

(Graded for purposes of pay as a Staff Captain.)

Major James A. F. Cuffe, The Royal Munster Fusiliers. Dated 24th January, 1915.

(Graded for purposes of pay as Staff Lieutenants, 1st Class.)

Dated 14th April, 1915.

Colonel (Honorary Brigadier-General) Frederick G. Bowles, retired pay.

Brevet Colonel Edmund W. St. G. Welchman, C.B., retired pay, Indian Army.

Lieutenant-Colonel Granville H. Loch, C.I.E., retired pay, Indian Army.

Major Cecil S. de B. Martindale, retired pay, Indian Staff Corps.

(Graded for purposes of pay as a Staff Lieutenant, 2nd Class.)

Temporary Second Lieutenant R. M. Myers. Dated 1st April, 1915.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S AND QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S STAFF.

Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General—

Major William N. Campbell, retired pay, Indian Army, vice Captain R. D. F. Oldman, D.S.O., The Norfolk Regiment. Dated 13th March, 1915.