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*War Office,
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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 gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field:—

Rev. Basil Aston, temp. Chapl. to the Forces, 4th Class.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. For two days and a night he worked incessantly tending and clearing the wounded under shell fire. During the night, after he had been working twelve hours, he helped to carry a wounded man to the dressing station through trenches blown in and knee-deep in mud. He then immediately went back to rescue others.

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Raymond Henry Baldwin, E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He has displayed great coolness under fire as Battalion Commander and his fine example has inspired his men. On one occasion he captured and held two lines of enemy trenches under very difficult circumstances.

Temp. Capt. Edwyn Walter Tyrrell Beck, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. By his fine example of coolness and courage he

steadied his company under an intense bombardment. In the enemy's trenches he did fine work, personally capturing two officers and twenty men of the enemy.

Capt. Edward Vivian Dearman Birchall, Oxf. and Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. He led forward his company with great dash under heavy fire, entered the enemy's trenches, and, though dangerously wounded, refused any assistance till assured that the position won was firmly held.

Temp. Capt. Robert Brickwood, Rif. Brig.

For conspicuous gallantry and determination during a raid. He reached the enemy trenches in the face of strong opposition and himself accounted for four of the enemy. When wounded he stuck to his command till forced by his wounds to go back. It was chiefly due to his leading that the raid was successful.

Temp. 2nd Lt. (temp. Capt.) Harold Neilson Brinson, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his company with great dash and skill across the open, dealt with the enemy's machine-guns, and, after accounting for many of the enemy, consolidated his position and repelled a counter-attack. During the next twenty-four hours he repelled another counter-attack and did further fine work.