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SATURDAY, 30 DECEMBER, 1916.

War Office,
30th December, 1916.

ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

LINEN YARNS.

In pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914, the Army Council hereby give notice of an intention to take possession of all stocks of Linen Yarns manufactured partly or wholly from Irish, French, Dutch or Courtrai Flax.

If after this notice any person having control of any Yarns of the descriptions aforesaid sells, removes or secretes such Yarns without the consent of the Army Council he shall be guilty of an offence against the said Regulations, provided that nothing herein contained shall prohibit:—

(1) The sale of such Yarns, in exchange for the guarantee hereinafter required, at a price based upon the price of flax in the Irish markets during the fortnight ending 16th of December, 1916, and

(2) The delivery of such Yarns, in pursuance of any contract entered into prior to the date hereof, in exchange for a guarantee by the purchaser or consignee that the Yarns are

required and will be used directly or indirectly for the purpose of any Government Contract or order.

By Order of the Army Council.

R. H. Brade.

War Office,
30th December, 1916.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned Officers:—

Capt. William Anderson Bloomfield, Scouts Corps, S. African Mtd. Bde.

For most conspicuous bravery. Finding that, after being heavily attacked in an advanced and isolated position, the enemy were working round his flanks, Captain Bloomfield evacuated his wounded, and subsequently withdrew his command to a new position, he himself being amongst the last to retire.

On arrival at the new position he found that one of the wounded—No. 2475 Corporal D. M. P. Bowker—had been left behind. Owing to very heavy fire he experienced diffi-