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War Office,

18th March, 1918.

With reference to the awards conferred as announced in the London Gazette, dated 27th October, 1917, the following are the statements of services for which the decorations were conferred:—

AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. Norman Randall Davidson, D.S.O., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great courage and determination in superintending the preparation of battery positions. He was constantly under fire, and the success of the undertaking was largely due to his ability and fearlessness. He also carried out a very important reconnaissance.

Maj. the Hon. Richard Martin Peter Preston, D.S.O., R.H.A. (frmly. H.A.C.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When on reconnaissance duty, he, with a small patrol, was suddenly attacked and fired upon at close range by a superior number of hostile cavalry. On his patrol retiring, the horse of one of his troopers fell. He immediately rode back, placed the trooper on his own horse, and carried him one and a half miles to safety, being pursued the whole way. At the moment of this gallant rescue the enemy were less than 100 yards away.

T./Maj. Harry Abrahall Robinson, D.S.O., R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a heavy enemy counter-attack, when our line had been broken. With the help of a private, he drove off a party of the enemy who were attacking from the rear, killing several of them and thereby saving the situation. His extreme gallantry and coolness throughout the action were most inspiring.

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Maj. Thomas Davidson, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his battery with bril-