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FRIDAY, 8 AUGUST, 1919.

War Office,

8th August, 1919.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the following awards to the undermentioned Officers, Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Men in recognition of their gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field :--

AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE OBDER.

SOUTH AFRICAN FORCE.

Lt.-Col. (T./Brig.-Gen.) Frederick Stuart Dawson, C.M.G., D.S.O., 1st Bn., S. Afr. Infy.

He displayed gallantry of the highest degree during the fighting about Chapel Hill, Revelon Farm and Sorel on the 21st-22nd March, 1918. On the afternoon of the 22nd he skilfully withdrew his brigade north to the Green Line. He and the members of his staff, after personally keeping the enemy from entering Sorel for some time, retired through Sorel, fighting under heavy rifle fire at close range. On the 24th, when his brigade only mustered 470 bayonets, they held 1,200 yards of front against overwhelming numbers until 4.30 in the afternoon, when ammunition was expended. He and his brigade did splendidly, and rendered most valuable service.

(D.S.O. gazetted 3rd June, 1918.)

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Local Lt. Alexander Aaronsohn.

(EGYPT) For gallant conduct and daring on 2nd September, 1918, in penetrating the enemy's lines and carrying out a reconnaissance which resulted in obtaining information which proved invaluable in subsequent operations.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Lt. Leonard Charles Boase, M.C., 52nd Bn., Aust. Infy.

On 4th April, 1918, he commanded a platoon of a battalion holding the line from

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Buire to Dernancourt. On the 5th the enemy launched a strong attack between Dernancourt and Meaulte, which was broken up by the fire of his platoon. Though wounded he continued to lead his men splendidly, and inflicted very heavy casualties on the enemy, holding up their attack for at least two hours. He showed marked gallantry and ability to command, and rendered valuable service.

SOUTH AFRICAN FORCE.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Harry Bunce, 4th Bn., S. Afr. Infy.

On the afternoon of the 21st March, 1918, when the enemy obtained a footing on Chapel Hill, his company carried out a counterattack which retook the whole of the hill and re-established the situation. On the 22nd, when his senior officers were casualties, he took command of the battalion, and finally successfully withdrew the remnants, some 140 strong. He commanded the battalion during the fighting of the 23rd and 24th, and on the latter day distinguished himself in a most marked manner. Owing to his courage and leadership a stubborn resistance was maintained.

T./Maj. Thomas Ormiston, 1st Bn., S. Afr. Infy.

He displayed marked courage and leadership during the enemy attack on the 24th March, 1918. When the enemy attempted to bring a field gun into action within 100 yards range, he brought Lewis-gun fire to bear on it, causing the gun to be abandoned. Later, when a second gun was brought up, the fire opened under his direction, killed the team, and caused the gun to be overturned. When the left flank of his battalion was enveloped, he organised a defensive flank. He did excellent work.

AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.

2nd Lt. Henry Robert Owens, R.G.A.. Spec. Res., attd. 48th S. By.

While at the forward gun of his battery in Fenchy on 22nd September, 1917, he saw a linesman making signals for help. He immediately followed and found another finesman lying wounded in a shell-hole Under heavy shell fire he bandaged the wounded man and remained with him till a wheeled stretcher arrived. He showed great courage and devotion to duty.

SOUTH AFRICAN FORCE.

T./2nd Lt. John Conway Cragg, 2nd Bn., S. Afr. Infy.

He was intelligence officer of his battalion. and did most valuable work during the operations 21st-24th March, 1918. On the first two days he displayed great courage and energy, visiting the front line frequently to ascertain the progress of the battle. On the 24th his coolness and energy contributed to the defeat of numerous enemy attempts to come to close quarters. He was of great assistance to his C.O.

- 2300 C.S.M. (A./R.S.M.) Peter Keith, D.C.M., 4th Bn., S. Afr. Infy. Throughout the operations, 21st-24th
 - Throughout the operations, 21st-24th March, 1918, he behaved with great gallaatry and resource. During the repeated attacks on Revelon Farm on the 22nd, he exposed himself freely and rendered the greatest assistance to his C.O. Again, on the 24th, when the battalion was reduced to a strength of some 140 all ranks, he went about among the men, encouraged them to do their utmost and setting them a splendid example. Throughout he behaved excellently.

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

61994 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) G. Brown, 87th Fd. Coy., R.E. (Wigan).

668 Pte. J. Duffy, 1st Bn., W. Gds. (Swansea)

NOTE.—The undermentioned name should be added to the list of awards of the Indian Distinguished Service Medal published on page 2174 of the London Gazette dated 18th February, 1918:—

No. 1747 Bearer Laji, No. 1 Coy., Army Bearer Corps, Ind. Army.

His Majesty the KING has directed that the award of the Military Cross to Lieutenant (A./Capt.) Donald Robert Grant Sutheriand, R.G.A. (T.F.), attd. 59th Bde., R.F.A., which was gazetted on the 2nd April, 1919, shall be cancelled and his name erased from the Register in consequence of his having been cashiered by sentence of General Court-Martial.

AMENDMENTS.

The notification of the award of the Victoria Cross to No. 6594 Serjeant Gerald Sexton, 13th Bn., A.I.F., as announced in the London Gazette dated 14th December, 1918, should read as being awarded to No. 6594 Serjeant Maurice Vincent Buckley, 13th Bn., A.I.F., the latter being the correct Christian names and surname of this N.C.O., which he has been permitted to reassume.

The following is the correct description of the Officer upon whom the Victoria Cross was conferred in London Gazette dated 9th June, 1919:—

The late T./Lt.-Col. Wilfrith Elstob, D.S.O., M.C., 16th Bn., Manch. R.

The notification of the award of the Distinguished Service Order to Capt. (A./Maj.) George de Cardonne Elmsall Findlay, M.C., which was published in London Gazette dated 2nd April, 1919, is cancelled, the award of the Victoria Cross having been substituted, which appeared in London Gazette dated 15th May, 1919.

The notification of the award of the Military Cross to 2nd Lt. William Scott, 5th, attd. 6th Bn., Seaforth Highrs., T.F., published in London Gazette dated 8th March, 1919, is cancelled, and the following name substituted : -

T./2nd Lt. William Scott, Highrs., attd. 6th Bn., T.F. Seaforth

Order Distinguished Service Awards. London Gazette, 3rd June, 1919:-

- Page 6820.—For Lt. (A./Capt.) Norman Reid, M.C., R.F.A., Spec. Res., attd. 30th Div. T.M. By., read Lt. (A./Capt.) Norman Reid, M.C., R.F.A., Spec. Res., attd. 40th Div. T.M. By.
- Page 6928.—For Maj. & Bt. Lt.-Col. (A./Lt.-Col.) John Stewart, R. of O., R. Highrs., comdgo 2nd Bn., read Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) John Stewart, R. of O., R. Highrs., comdg. 2nd Bn.

Military Cross Awards, London Gazette, 8th March, 1919:-

For Lt. Charles Herman Jeffrey, 271st Bde. R.F.A., *read* Lt. Charles Herman Percival Jeffery, 271st Bde., R.F.A.

London Gazette dated 3rd June, 1919:--For T./Qr.-Mr. & Capt. Henry George Miller, 9th Fld. Amb., R.A.M.C., read T./Qr.-Mr. & Capt. Henry George Miller, 91st Fld. Amb., R.A.M.C.

Award of Royal Red Cross, 2nd Class, London Gazette, 9th April, 1919:---

For Miss Jane Glendining, Nursing Sister, C.A.M.C., read Miss Jane Glendinning, Nursing Sister, C.A.I.C.

The announcement of the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to No. 61994 L./C. (A./2nd Cpl.) G. Brown, 87th Fld. Coy., R.E., which appears on page 10274 of the London Gazette dated 3rd September, 1918, is incorrectly described, and should now read 61794 Spr. H. Brown, 31st Fld. Coy., R.E.

The following are the correct descriptions of Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Men, who have been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal :-

- 2086 Pte. G. L. Davies, 1/6th Bn., L'pool R., T.F.
- (London Gazette dated 14th January, 1916.)

16231 Q./M./Sjt. H. B. Mason, R.A.M.C., 2nd S.A. Fd. Amb. (London Gazette dated 26th May, 1917.)

334015 B./Q./M./S. E. G. F. Perry, 68th Sge. By., R.G.A. (London Gazette dated 17th July, 1917.)

12308 Sjt. F. W. Pullam, 2/4th Bn., Hamps.

- R.
- (London Gazette dated 17th April, 1919.)
- 570033 Sjt. G. Vanhinsbergh, 17th Bn., Lond. R.

(London Gazette dated 7th February, 1919.)

CANADIAN FORCE.

886074 L./C. I. H. Baldwin, 28th Bn., Can. Infy.

(London Gazette dated 3rd September, 1918.)

625181 Sjt. A. McN. Frizzell, 1st Bn., Can. M.G.C.

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