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War Office,

10th December, 1919.

With reference to the awards conferred as announced in the London Gazette dated 2nd April, 1919, the following are the statements of services for which the decorations were conferred :---

AWABDED A SECOND BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Capt. & Bt. Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Clifton Edward Rawdon Grant Alban, D.S.O., L'pool R., attd. 15th Bn., Lanc. Fus.

During the operations on the Oise Sambre Canal, near Ors, during the 2nd, 3rd and 4th November, 1918, the way in which he handled his battalion was most praiseworthy. On two occasions during counterattacks he took up reinforcements under heavy fire and restored the situation. It was due to his gallant leadership and example that the attack on the 4th November was so successful, a battery of H.V. guns, over 200 prisoners, and many machine guns being captured.

(D.S.O. gazetted 18th July, 1917.) (1st Bar gazetted 15th February, 1919.) Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Douglas Stephenson Branson, D.S.O., M.C., 1/4th Bn., York & Lanc. R., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion during the attack on Haspres on 13th October, 1918. After his battalion had suffered heavy casualties, all the company officers being wounded, he collected the remnants of the battalion under intense fire, led them forward, and consolidated a position. His personal courage and resource were magnificent.

(D.S.O. gazetted 1st January, 1918.) (1st Bar gazetted 16th September, 1918.)

Lt.-Col. Kenneth Duncan, D.S.O., D/246th (W. Rid.) Bde., R.F.A., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack near Avesnes Le Sec on 13th October, 1918. Although the battery suffered very heavy casualties, by his magnificent example and complete disregard for his own safety he kept it in action, and, though so short of men that he was obliged to serve a gun himself, he completed the barrage in support of the attack.

(D.S.O. gazetted 3rd June, 1916.) (1st Bar gazetted 18th January, 1918.)