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War Office, 31st March, 1942.

Lieutenant (temporary Captain) James Joseph Bernard Jackman (69102), The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers (Dunlaoghaire, Co. Dublin).

On 25th November, 1941, at Ed Duda, South East of Tobruk, Captain Jackman showed outstanding gallantry and devotion to duty above all praise when he was in command of a Machine Gun Company of The Royal Northumberland Fusiliers in the Tank attack on the Ed Duda ridge. His magnificent bearing was contributory in a large measure to the success of a most difficult and hard fought action. As the tanks reached the crest of the rise they were met by extremely intense fire from a large number of guns of all descriptions: the fire was so heavy that it was doubtful for a moment whether the Brigade could maintain its hold on the position.

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which the tanks, as wen as the rows of batteries which the tanks were engaging on their front. He immediately started to get his guns into action as calmly as though he were on manœuvres and so secured the right flank. Then, standing up in the front of his truck, with calm determination he led his trucks across the front between the tanks and the guns—there was no other road—to get them into action on the left flank.

Most of the tank commanders saw him, and his exemplary devotion to duty regardless of danger not only inspired his own men but clinched the determination of the tank crews never to relinquish the position which they had gained.

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War Office,

"31st March, 1942.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallant and distinguished services in Burma:—

The Military Cross.

Captain (temporary Major) Richard Stephen Barrington Ward (41209), Corps of Royal Engineers (attached The Burma Sappers and Miners).

Lieutenant (temporary Captain) Richard Victor Guy Neville Johnson (64192), The Gloucestershire Regiment (Droitwich).

> War Office, 31st March, 1942.

REGULAR ARMY.

Lt.-Gen. L. V. Bond, K.B.E., C.B., Col. Comdt. R.E. (22542), retires on Ind. Pen. 21st Oct. 1941. (Substituted for the notifn. in the Gazette of 21st Oct. 1941.)

The undermentioned Cols. (actg. Maj.-Gens.), to be temp. Maj.-Gens.:-

A. R. Selby, C.B.E. (47947). 29th Mar. 1942. E. F. Tickell, C.B.E., M.C. (8173). 29th Mar. 1942.

Sir John E. Laurie, Bt., C.B.E., D.S.O. (4812). 30th Mar. 1942.

Brig. (temp.) E. Hakewill-Smith, M.C. (13349), R.S. Fus., is granted the actg. rank of Maj.-Gen. 25th Mar. 1942.

Col. C. H. Harrison, O.B.E. (227505), ret. pay (late Ind. Army), is granted the hon. rank of Brig. 26th Dec. 1940.

Col. H. C. Smith, D.S.O., Col. Comdt. R. Signals (18000), ret. pay, reverts to ret. pay and is regranted the hon. rank of Brig. 29th Mar. 1942.

ROYAL ARMOURED CORPS.

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Ret. Offr. re-empld.

Capt. A. T. McMurrough-Kavanagh, M.C. (59013), is restd. to the rank of Maj. on ceasing to be empld. 1st Apr. 1942.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY.

Lt.-Col. (temp. Col.) G. H. Elliot (8408), on completion of tenure of serv. as Regtl. Lt.-Col., remains on full pay (supernumerary) 1st Apr. 1942.

Maj. A. W. Hazlerigg (27921), from h.p. list, to be Maj. 14th Jan. 1942, with precedence next below Maj. J. H. Gregson.

Temporary Short Service Commission.

Lt. W. J. Carless, M.C. (104317), resigns his commn. 9th Mar. 1942.