

the undermentioned Officers in recognition of their services in the operations described in the Commander-in-Chief's despatch:—

*To be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order:—*

Commander Reginald James Newall Watson, R.N.

Was in charge of landing party at Bagamoyo on 15th August, 1916, and displayed great dash and energy in the face of unexpectedly superior forces.

Engineer-Commander Francis John Roskruge, R.N.

Kept the squadron and H.M.S. "Hyacinth" in a state of continuous efficiency for over two years with the smallest possible allowance for necessary repairs.

Flight Lieutenant Edwin Rowland Moon, R.N.A.S. (now prisoner of war).

Since April, 1916, has carried out constant flights over the enemy's coast, including reconnaissances, bomb-dropping and spotting for gun fire in all weathers. Has shown great coolness and resource on all occasions.

*To receive the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant Eldred Stuart Brooksmith, R.N.

Was in sole command of the defences of the southern part of the defence lines at Bagamoyo, when he showed conspicuous ability; also contributed largely to the successful firing by the monitors.

Flight Lieutenant James Edward Baker Maclean, R.N.A.S.

Since April, 1916, has carried out constant flights over the enemy's coast, including reconnaissances, bomb-dropping and spotting; was wounded when flying over Bagamoyo.

Mr. John Mackay, Chief Gunner, R.N.

Was in command of whaler "Salamander," and did excellent work under fire; organised mine-sweeping with great efficiency.

The following awards have also been made:—

*To receive the Conspicuous Gallantry Medal:—*

Corporal, Plymouth/12447, Ernest Victor Dean, R.M.L.I.

Showed great initiative at Bagamoyo. After Captain Thomas, R.M.L.I., had been killed he immediately informed the Commanding Officer of the situation, and then taking cover behind a tree shot one German and one Askari, and wounded a second Askari.

*To receive the Distinguished Service Medal:—*

Chief Petty Officer (C.) James Noonan, R.N.A.S., O.N. M.2354 (Po.).

Chief Petty Officer Francis Ernest Strong, O.N. 166552 (Dev.).

Petty Officer William James Grills, O.N. 210006 (Dev.).

Petty Officer John James Mitchell Lawes, O.N. 185088 (Dev.).

Petty Officer William Young, O.N. 216745 (Dev.).

Leading Seaman George Bruncker, O.N. 222576 (Dev.).

Able Seaman, R.F.R., Vincent Burrage, O.N. 160207 (Dev.), R.F.R., B.68.

Able Seaman, R.F.R., Samuel Charles Cubitt, O.N. 217294 (Dev.), R.F.R., B.5408.

Able Seaman Michael Fitzgerald, O.N. 196162, R.F.R. (Dev.), R.F.R., B.3743.

Private, Plymouth/9590, William Dennis, R.M.L.I.

Petty Officer Telegraphist Albert French, O.N. 227249 (Po.).

Ship's Steward Albert Edward Tull, O.N. 340905 (Po.).

Sick-Berth Steward Sampson Woodcock, O.N. 350687 (Dev.).

Co. Sergt.-Major Percy Evan Smith, R.M.L.I., No. Ply./10275.

Lance-Corporal, Plymouth/11073, William Bradley, R.M.L.I.

Petty Officer Telegraphist Percival Charles King, O.N. 235463 (Dev.).

Air Mechanic, 1st Grade, Frederick Wilms-hurst, R.N.A.S., O.N. J.29563 (Po.).

The KING has further approved of the following appointments to the Distinguished Service Order and of the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to the undermentioned Officers in recognition of their services with the East African Military Forces:—

*To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order.*

Commander George Stanley Thornley, R.N., Senior Naval Officer, Lake Victoria Nyanza. Rendered most efficient assistance to the Military throughout the campaign.

*To receive the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Squadron Commander Eric Roper Curzon Nanson, R.N.A.S.

Organised his unit with great efficiency and zeal, and carried out reconnaissance work under great climatic difficulties.

Lieutenant Vincent Holland Pryor Molteno, R.N.

Organised the naval gun detachment which he commanded during part of the Kibata operations.

Flight Sub-Lieutenant Leslie O. Brown.

For bravery, zeal and ability shown in many long flights over enemy territory on reconnaissance work and bomb-dropping expeditions; was repeatedly under fire.

Flight Lieutenant Norman Gordon Stewart-Dawson.

Carried out reconnaissance over difficult country on 30th May, 1916, when he was obliged to land in the bush.

Lieutenant William John King, R.N.V.R.

For continuous good service in the operations of the Uмба Valley Field Force; also served as Assistant Transport Officer and as Port Captain, Tanga.

Captain Ernest William O'Connor, Master of Transport "Barjora."

Showed exceptional ability in the coast operations, the success of the landings being largely due to his professional capacity and zeal.