

The undermentioned Capts. to be Actg. Majs.:—

Capt. A. G. C. Langford.

Capt. G. W. Wilson.

Capt. H. G. Hasler, O.B.E.

11th Mar. 1941.

Lieut. (Actg. Capt.) J. C. d'E. Coke to be Actg. Maj. 11th Mar. 1941.

Lieut. A. W. Meldon to be Act. Capt. 11th Mar. 1941.

Tempy. Lieut. K. G. McWhirter to be Actg.

Tempy. Maj. 11th Mar. 1941.

Tempy. Lieut. J. O. Atkinson to be Actg.

Tempy. Capt. 11th Mar. 1941.

Tempy. 2nd Lieut. J. R. Tucker to be Actg.

Tempy. Lieut. 11th Mar. 1941.

To be Tempy. Lieuts. (Qr.-Mrs.):—

Tempy. Sergt.-Maj. Jack Figg.

Tempy. Sergt.-Maj. Reginald William Hatfield.

Tempy. Sergt.-Maj. Sidney Harold Blake.

26th Feb. 1941.

Tempy. Sergt.-Maj. Bertram William

Hatcher. 7th Mar. 1941.

Po.15970 Q.M.S.I. Frederick Charles Fowler.

Po.216864 C.S.M. Charles Sidney Short.

Ch.24372 C.S.M. Henry Charles Smith.

7th Mar. 1941.

Proby. 2nd Lieut. T. D. Hunton to be Actg.

Lieut. 28th Feb. 1941.

*Admiralty 10th March, 1941.*

*R.M.*

Lieut. E. A. Allenby to be Actg. Capt. 10th Mar. 1941.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Glamorgan.*

Major John Maybery Bevan, M.C.,

Honorary Air Commodore Richard Cadman,

Major David Cope Harris, T.D.,

Richard Stanley Evans, Esquire,

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Sydney Thomas

Evans, M.C., T.D.,

Major Joseph Gerald Gaskell, T.D.,

Brevet Colonel Thomas Otto Jones, M.B.E.,

T.D.,

Oliver Cuthbert Purnell, Esquire, J.P.,

Major John Wayne Morgan, M.C.,

Lieutenant Sir Arthur Whitten-Brown, K.B.E.,

to be Deputy Lieutenants.—Dated 12th March, 1941.

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*Air Ministry,*

*18th March, 1941.*

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

*Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Flight Lieutenant Marmaduke Thomas St. John PATTLE, D.F.C. (39029), No. 80 Squadron.

In March, 1941, during an engagement over Himara, Flight Lieutenant Pattle shot down three enemy fighters. This courageous

and skilful fighter pilot has now destroyed at least 23 enemy aircraft.

Flying Officer James Joseph O'MEARA, D.F.C. (40844), No. 91 Squadron.

This officer has performed excellent work as a fighter pilot in the many and varied missions which have been allotted to him. On a recent occasion he led an offensive operation which extended as far as Holland, and in which troops and a gun-post were machine-gunned; an armed ship was also attacked. Flying Officer O'Meara has now destroyed at least eleven enemy aircraft. He has set an excellent example.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Squadron Leader James Hayward LITTLE (90125), Auxiliary Air Force, No. 219 Squadron.

This officer has commanded the squadron since May, 1940. He has carried out numerous operational flights by night, and on one occasion he succeeded in shooting down a Dornier 17. His excellent leadership has contributed materially to the operational efficiency of the squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant John Ernest PROCTOR (44131), No. 32 Squadron.

This officer has displayed great skill as a fighter pilot. He has destroyed at least 11 enemy aircraft; 7 of these were shot down while serving with his squadron in France. He has set a splendid example.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Flying Officer John WADDINGHAM (40867), No. 141 Squadron.

*Distinguished Flying Medal.*

746780 Sergeant Alfred Bernard CUMBERS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 141 Squadron.

Flying Officer Waddingham and Sergeant Cumbers have been employed as pilot and air gunner respectively on numerous operational sorties at night. One night they destroyed a Heinkel 111 and another is believed to have been shot down into the sea. This officer and airman have displayed great courage and devotion to duty at all times, often under most adverse weather conditions.

*Bar to Distinguished Flying Medal.*

740115 Sergeant Donald Alastair Stewart MCKAY, D.F.M., Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 91 Squadron.

This airman has been almost continuously employed in active operations since the war began and has destroyed at least 11 hostile aircraft. He has consistently maintained a high standard of operational efficiency.

*Distinguished Flying Medal.*

580333 Sergeant Edward William Foott HEWETT, No. 80 Squadron.

When flying alone over the Tepelini area, this airman was attacked by five C.R. 4215 aircraft, three of which he shot down, only breaking off the engagement when his ammunition was expended. In March, 1941, during an engagement over Himara, Sergeant Hewett destroyed four enemy aircraft bringing his total victories to at least 13.