Captain R. Laing, 1st Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's).

For conspicuous gallantry, ability, and coolness.

On 20th December 1914, at a critical moment he organised a bomb party and cleared the enemy out of his trench, and then attacked and drove them from several traverses belonging to the regiment on his left.

Captain N. A. Morgan, 2nd Battalion, The Leicestershire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry in going out in the open under fire to assist the Medical Officer and a stretcher-bearer in the rescue of a wounded man on 23rd February 1915, at Richebourg L'Avoue.

He remained until the man's wounds were dressed, and meanwhile his stretcher-bearer was wounded in the neck. Both wounded men were brought into cover—the enemy being only 150 yards distant and firing the whole time.

Lieutenant P. G. J. Mostyn, 2nd Battalion, The Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

For gallantry, ability, and devotion to duty, especially on the 9th instant, when two men of his patrol were wounded, he remained with the seriously wounded man, and eventually carried him a distance of 150 yards into cover, whilst exposed to a very heavy fire.

On the 6th and 8th instant he performed gallant services in reconnoitring the enemy's trenches near Bois Grenier, obtaining valuable information.

Lieutenant B. V. Mair, Lieutenant R. H. R. Parminter,

For conspicuous gallantry on 20th-21st December 1914. These two Officers led the attacks on the enemy's trenches, and, during two heavy counter-attacks by the enemy, maintained their positions in the centre and right of the line with such marked determination that complete success was attained by the Battalion Commander.

Lieutenant V. V. Pope, 1st Battalion, The Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regiment).

For the gallantry, skill, and dash with which he led his Company in the attack on the German position at Lepinnette, on the night of the 11th-12th instant.

Captain E. K. Squires, Royal Engineers (No. 21 Company, 3rd Sappers and Miners, Indian Army).

For conspicuous gallantry, ability, and devotion to duty at Givenchy, on 20th-21st December 1914, when he continued to carry on his sapping operations for four hours after he had been wounded.

Second Lieutenant (temporary Captain) L. A. Strange, The Dorsetshire Regiment and Royal Flying Corps.

For gallantry and ability on reconnaissance and other duties on numerous occasions, especially on the occasion when he dropped three bombs from a height of only 200 feet on the railway junction at Courtrai, whilst being assailed by heavy rifle fire.

Lieutenant M. C. M. Wills, 2nd Wessex Field Company, Royal Engineers (T.F.).

For gallantry, initiative, and good work performed.

Carried out reconnaissance duties of an enterprising nature on the nights of 9th and 12th February 1915, and in daylight, on the 10th idem, performed similar valuable services, after our successful counter-attack (in which his brother, Captain R. B. M. Wills, was killed).

Second Lieutenant J. A. H. Wood, 4th Battalion, The East Surrey Regiment, attached 2nd Battalion.

For gallantry, skill, and daring on the night of 15th-16th February 1915, in the guidance of the attacking party near Ypres, and for a similar act of gallantry on the next night, when he voluntarily led the 84th Brigade in the operations.

WAR OFFICE, WHITEHALL, March 1915.

ARMY ACT.

It is proposed to amend the "Rules of Procedure" under Section 70 of the Army Act.

Copies of the amendments may be seen at the War Office, Whitehall.

WHITEHALL, March 25, 1915.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Major-General Nathaniel Walter Barnardiston, M.V.O., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Second Class of the Order of the Rising Sun, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan in recognition of valuable services rendered by him in connection with the operations at Tsing-tao.

WHITEHALL, March 25, 1915.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Major and Brevet-Lieutenant Colonel Hall Grant Pringle, R.F.A., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Order of the Rising Sun, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan in recognition of valuable services rendered by him in connection with the operations at Tsingtao.

WHITEHALL, March 25, 1915.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant under Major Eric St. John Lawson, Commissioner of Police, Bangkok, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the First