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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1916.

*War Office,
14th November, 1916.*

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointments of the undermentioned Officers to be **Companions of the Distinguished Service Order**, in recognition of their gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field:—

Temp. Lt. Claude Allerton, Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. After his senior officers had become casualties in the attack, he took command of the battalion and carried on with coolness and judgment under heavy fire, until a senior officer arrived in the evening.

Temp. Capt. Henry Gordon Gooch Ashton, W. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Owing to several casualties he found himself in command of three companies and some 50 men of other units. For many hours he was fighting the enemy on all sides, and had his men facing front and rear in the same trench. His great determination and fine leadership were largely responsible for the holding of the position.

Capt. The Hon. Wilfred Russell Bailey, G. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Captains Bailey and Harcourt-Vernon led a company out of the trench with great dash. They themselves led by at least 50 yards, and shot many of the enemy with their revolvers. About 60 of the enemy were accounted for, mainly with the bayonet, and 42 made prisoners.

Temp. Maj. Anthony Charles Barnes, York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. When in command of two companies he held his own with great determination under heavy fire for 36 hours, and later recaptured a lost position.

Lt. (temp. Capt.) William Harold Louis Barnett, Bedf. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his company with the greatest courage and determination. Later he led his company in the assault after suffering nine hours under barrage fire. His gallantry and initiative greatly assisted the success of the operations.