

bombing raids, when he has frequently descended among heavy rifle fire to very low altitude to ensure accurate bombing of small targets. He has taken part in 25 day bombing raids and two night raids.

Flying Officer Ralph Squire Sorley, D.S.C., R.A.F.

For great gallantry and devotion to duty. He has proved himself a very capable officer and fine leader. He has flown over 104 hours and carried out 52 bomb raids by day and two by night. He has commanded a flight of No. 6 squadron for over six months with great ability.

Flight Lieutenant Henry Karslake Thorold, D.S.C., A.F.C., R.A.F.

For gallantry and leadership on all occasions when commanding the flight at Nasiriyeh. His work in the field has been an example to all ranks.

*Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.*

334664 L.A.C. Robert Bywater, R.A.F.  
263760 A.C.2 John Percy Robert Clifford, R.A.F.  
156188 A.C.1 James Moir M'Kean, R.A.F.  
1349 A./Sgt. Sydney Charles Murton, R.A.F.  
157612 A.C.1 Llewellyn Nicholas, R.A.F.  
331198 A.C.1 Ernest George Penniall, R.A.F.

*Awarded the Meritorious Service Medal.*

313 S.M.1 William Charles Attrill, R.A.F.  
313619 Flt. Sgt. Frank Bebington, R.A.F.  
336426 Cpl. Sydney James Briggs, R.A.F.  
864 Flt. Sgt. Charles Frederick Roland Bunting, R.A.F.  
333099 L.A.C. (A./Cpl.) George Frederick Cooling, R.A.F.  
313065 Flt. Sgt. Gilbert Clarence Croft, R.A.F.  
334604 Flt. Sgt. Albert Edwin Dobson, R.A.F.  
340517 L.A.C. (A./Sgt.) Frank Henry Hart, R.A.F.  
780 Sgt. George Wallace Hepple, R.A.F.  
334430 L.A.C. (A./Cpl.) Hugh Cecil Hitchcock, R.A.F.  
1215 Flt. Sgt. John William Honeybone, R.A.F.  
3929 Flt. Sgt. Charles Oakley, R.A.F.  
84957 A.C.1 Herbert Petch, R.A.F.  
145 S.M.1 Charles Ramplin, R.A.F.  
201727 Sgt. Sidney William Sparkes, R.A.F.  
2389 Flt. Sgt. John Henry Tuckey, R.A.F.  
4201 Flt. Sgt. Barnabus William Wilson, R.A.F.

The undermentioned officers and airmen of the Royal Air Force have been mentioned for distinguished service in a despatch received from Lieutenant-General Sir J. A. L. Haldane, K.C.B., D.S.O., General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force:—

Allen, Flying Officer Laurence Wilfred, M.C., R.A.F.  
Battle, Flying Officer Henry Frederick Vulliamy, R.A.F.  
Binnie, Flying Officer James Alexander Weatherhead, R.A.F.  
Bladon, Flying Officer Graham Clark, R.A.F.  
Burnett, Wing-Commander Charles Stuart, C.B.E., D.S.O., R.A.F.

Carter, Observer Officer Rodney Thomas, R.A.F.

Coward, Flying Officer Graham Nelson, R.A.F.

Croft, Flying Officer George, R.A.F.

Desoer, Flying Officer Noel Lloyd, R.A.F.

Drake, Observer Officer Bruce Gerdyne, R.A.F.

Fitzherbert, Flight Lieut. Evelyn Cecil Walter, D.S.C., R.A.F.

Huskisson, Sqdn./Ldr. Bertrand Lawrence, D.S.C., R.A.F.

Hustwaite, Flying Officer John Walter, R.A.F.

Jenkins, Flying Officer Robert Charles, M.C., R.A.F.

Jobson, Flight Lieut. (A./Sqdn./Ldr.) Frederick Cuthbert, R.A.F.

M'Gregor, Flying Officer Andrew, D.F.C., R.A.F.

Nutting, Sdqn./Ldr. Charles William, D.S.C., R.A.F.

Petch, Flying Officer Frederick, M.B.E., R.A.F.

Porter, Flying Officer Cedric Ernest Victor, R.A.F.

Rees, Sqdn./Ldr. Victor Osborne, R.A.F.

Sowrey, Sqdn./Ldr. William, A.F.C., R.A.F.

Spackman, Flying Officer Charles Basil Slater, D.F.C., R.A.F.

Teagle, Flying Officer Cyril Hollis, R.A.F.

Thomas, Flight Lieut. Meredith, R.A.F.

Vickers, Observer Officer John Harold, R.A.F.

Baber, 62027, A./Cpl. William Charles, R.A.F.

Banks 244308, A.C.1 Thomas George, R.A.F.

Beech 156576, A.C.1 Frank John, R.A.F.

Beer 555, Flt./Sgt. Archibald Augustus John, R.A.F.

Berry 603, Cpl. (A./Sgt.) Arthur George, R.A.F.

Birch 47558, Flt./Sgt. Joseph, R.A.F.

Burdis 82480, A.C.1 Robert, R.A.F.

Canler 63672, Cpl. Bernard Ambrose, R.A.F.

Cox 56305, L.A.C. (A./Sgt.) Reginald Frank, R.A.F.

Crisp 210903, L.A.C. Edgar Bernard, R.A.F.

Cutting 287075, A.C.1 Horace, R.A.F.

Davis 193096, A.C.2 Alfred John, R.A.F.

Davis 340378, L.A.C. Francis Albert Victor, R.A.F.

Davis 407592, L.A.C. Thomas Albert Stanley, R.A.F.

Dunn 338881, Cpl. Thomas Ernest, R.A.F.

Eager 156802, A.C.1 Harold Sidney, R.A.F.

Easterbrooke, 314181 Flt./Sgt. Albert Edward, R.A.F.

Eustace 334596, Cpl. (A./Sgt.) Sidney, R.A.F.

Fells 268009, L.A.C. Richard George, R.A.F.

Goodman 241375, A.C.1 Albert John, R.A.F.

Hardy 340099, A.C.1 Alfred Wallace, R.A.F.

Harwood 294050, L.A.C. (A./Cpl.) Arthur Henry, R.A.F.

Holloway 249693, A.C.2 James, R.A.F.

Hughes 89300, A.C.2 Peter Anthony, R.A.F.

Kidd 167993, L.A.C. William, R.A.F.

Lawton 248897, L.A.C. Frederick Robert, R.A.F.

Love 298709, L.A.C. Cecil Ernest Hill, R.A.F.

Lowrey 334286, A./Sgt. Frank, R.A.F.

Simmons 248299, A.C.2, Reginald Edward, R.A.F.

Thornicroft 26244, Sergt.-Major Harold Maurice, R.A.F.

Viggers 168077, L.A.C. Thomas Prudham, R.A.F.

Wallace 329706, A.C.1 James Stewart, R.A.F.

Ward 73, S.M.1 Alfred, R.A.F.

White 159127, A.C.1 Albert Edward, R.A.F.

Wright 340156, A.C.1 John, R.A.F.