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MONDAY, 9 NOVEMBER, 1914.

War Office,
9th November, 1914.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointment of the undermentioned Officers to be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order, in recognition of their services with the Expeditionary Force, specified below:—

Lieutenant Alfred Higgins Burne, "J"
Battery, Royal Horse Artillery.

For gallant handling of his section under heavy fire at Gibraltar, France, on the 8th September, 1914.

Lieutenant Algernon Joseph Rutherford Lamb, 2nd Dragoon Guards (Queen's Bays).

As Machine Gun Officer, by his coolness and promptitude, the hostile gun fire was got under, and, mainly owing to the fire of his Detachment, eight hostile guns were abandoned by the enemy.

Lieutenant The Honourable Edward Charles Hardinge, 15th (The King's) Hussars, 1st Divisional Cavalry.

For ability and gallantry in reconnaissance under great difficulty and machine gun fire, on 22nd-23rd and 27th August, during which he was severely wounded.

Major Henry Edward Vallentin, 27th Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

Bravery and devotion in withdrawing guns by hand, under a heavy fire, near Ligny, France, on 26th August.

Captain Alwyn Bertram Robert Raphael Gosselin, 2nd Battalion, Grenadier Guards.

Although wounded, and in considerable pain, commanded his Company for two days in action, against the advice of the Medical Officer, and until he could be relieved by another Officer.

Second Lieutenant Merton Beckwith Smith, 1st Battalion, Coldstream Guards.

On the night of October the 4th, near Vendresse, with a party of 50 men, he attacked and carried with the bayonet the advanced German trenches, disabling 20 of the enemy, and displayed great enterprise and coolness in this operation, in which he was wounded.