

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the following promotions for distinguished service in the field, with effect from the 18th February, 1915, inclusive:—

To be Brevet Colonel.

Lieutenant - Colonel (temporary Brigadier-General) W. D. Smith, C.B., The Royal Scots Fusiliers, Commanding 9th Infantry Brigade, Expeditionary Force.

To be Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel.

Major A. B. R. Hildebrand, D.S.O., Royal Engineers (Expeditionary Force, Signal Service).

To be Honorary Captain.

Quartermaster and Honorary Lieutenant P. Devanney, 2nd Battalion, The Royal Munster Fusiliers (Expeditionary Force).

His MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Men, for acts of gallantry and devotion to Duty.

Regimental No.	Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Action for which commended.
10569	Lance-Corporal	Adams, J. ...	5th Signal Company, Royal Engineers	For conspicuous gallantry and ability. Has rendered very valuable services during the campaign in laying cable lines, whenever and wherever required, in moments of urgency, and constantly under fire.
41878	Corporal ...	Anderson, W. ...	84th Battery, Royal Field Artillery	For gallant conduct at Givenchy, on 20th December, 1914, in riding to his battery observation station with a supply of rockets. The rockets were urgently required by the battery, and Corporal Anderson was exposed to a heavy fire.
6437	Serjeant ..	Archer, W. ...	1st Battalion, Somerset Light Infantry	For gallant conduct and ability on several occasions whilst on reconnaissance duties at Bucy le Long, between 12th and 23rd September, 1914.
4636	Serjeant ...	Bailey, D. B. ..	115th Heavy Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery	For conspicuous gallantry on many occasions, especially on 1st November, 1914, at Ypres, when he continued to work his gun after being wounded in the head by a shrapnel bullet, and on the previous day for the gallant spirit in which he worked his gun after regaining consciousness. The breach mechanism of the gun being overheated resulted in premature firing, which caused the carriage to recoil on Sergeant Bailey, throwing him down on several occasions.
6818	Private ...	Baker, T. ...	1st Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps	For conspicuous gallantry on the 19th September, 1914, at the Soupir Ridge, in obtaining valuable information as to the enemy's position whilst exposed to shell fire. Was again brought to notice on 27th November for gallant conduct near Zonnebeke, in conveying messages on several occasions under very heavy machine-gun and shell fire.
4930	Serjeant ...	Bambridge, C. ...	2nd Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment	For gallantry and ability on reconnaissance duty on many occasions to the north of Vailly, in the vicinity of Maison Rouge, when he obtained useful information relative to the enemy's position.
8713	Private ...	Bantick, H. G. ...	2nd Battalion, Royal Scots	For conspicuous gallantry at Vailly in voluntarily going close to the enemy to ascertain their strength, and, although at once attacked, succeeding in getting back safely. Has rendered valuable service on patrol duty, during which he was twice wounded.