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THURSDAY, 27 JULY, 1916.

War Office, 27th July, 1916.

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 gallantry and devotion to duty in the field:—

Capt. and Bt. Maj. Basil Condon Battye, $\mathbf{R}.\mathbf{E}.$

For conspicuous gallantry and ability during a period of active operations. His skill and energy in sending forward reinforcements and ammunition under very difficult circumstances tended much to the success of the operations. He had previously made a personal reconnaissance of great value.

Maj. Maxwell Edward Dopping-Hepenstal, 1st Bn., 1st Gurkha Rif., Ind. Army.

For conspicuous gallantry when leading his battalion in the attack under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire.

Capt. and Bt. Maj. Henry Richard Augustus Hunt, 25th Punjabis, Ind. Army (attd. 142nd Infy. Bde.).

· For untiring and invaluable work as Bde.

Maj. during operations. He was continually exposed to shell fire in the performance of his duties.

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. Charles Edward Kitson, 2nd Bn., R.W. Kent. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack on the enemy's trenches. He dug his men in under heavy shell, rifle and machine-gun fire, and later returned under heavy fire for a stretcher for a wounded officer. Though himself wounded by three bullets, he remained on duty till unable any longer to walk.

Maj. John Alexander Ross, 24th Canadian Inf. Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry. He volunteered for and carried out, with another officer, a very dangerous reconnaissance in face of heavy fire, and secured information of the utmost value regarding the enemy.

Capt. (temp. Maj.) Guy Montague Atkinson, 1st Bn., K.R.R.C.

For conspicuous coolness and power of command. With his battalion he relieved another battalion under intense shell fire, and quickly got his men into assaulting