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War Office, 20th October, 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:—

Capt. the Hon. Harold Rupert Leofric George Alexander, M.C., Ir. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He was the life and soul of the attack, and throughout the day led forward not only his own men but men of all regiments. He held the trenches gained in spite of heavy machine-gun fire.

Capt. Philip Noel Anstruther, M.C., R. W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. When sent forward to report on the situation, he found some 150 men scattered about the edge of a wood with no officers. He rallied them and pushed on to the final objective, consolidated his position, brought five machine guns into action, and maintained his position against attacks from three sides.

Surg. Maj. Francis William Bailey, R.F.A. (Medical Officer).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the batteries of his brigade came under heavy shell fire, he at once went out to tend the wounded and dying in the open with utter disregard of danger.

Capt. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Randle Barnett Barker, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He took over and organised the defences of a wood with great skill, after making a personal reconnaissance of the whole wood under shell and machine gun fire. He has done other fine work, and has displayed great personal bravery.

Temp. Maj. Victor Michael Barrington-Ward, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry. During a fire at an ammunition depôt he took an engine between sheds where ammunition was exploding, and brought back 15 men who were exposed to considerable danger.

Capt. Michael Charles Bell, M.C., R. Fus.
For conspicuous gallantry and skilful handling of his company in attack. His organisation and initiative were very marked.