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THURSDAY, 21 DECEMBER, 1916.

War Office,

21st December, 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:—

Temp. Capt. William Harold Barff, Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He advanced practically alone under heavy fire to examine gaps in the wire. He displayed great courage and determination throughout, and, although severely wounded, continued to encourage his men.

Temp. Lt.-Col. Lennox Godfrey Bird, Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He showed fine leadership and coolness in at once gaining touch with the brigade on his right, in clearing his front, establishing an outpost line, and consolidating his position. His personal example was invaluable. He was wounded the day before the action, but remained at duty.

Maj. and Bt. Col. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Edward Lacy_Challenor, Leic. R. 0

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He handled his battalion throughout the operations under very trying circumstances with the greatest courage and skill. He has previously done very fine work.

Capt. Alexander Neilson Clark, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although twice wounded he continued to lead his company, displaying the greatest courage and determination. He has on many previous occasions done fine work.

Temp. Maj. James Wightman Douglas, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He supervised the wiring of the whole line under heavy fire. He set a splendid example of courage and determination throughout.

Capt. (temp. Maj.) Rawdon Scott Hopkins, E. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised and carried out a successful raid, setting a splendid example of courage and fine leadership.