

AMENDMENTS.

The following corrections are made in the London Gazette announcements.

20th October, 1916.

For Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Herbert Thomas Dobbin, R. War. R., read Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Herbert Thomas Dobbin, Duke of Corn. L.I., attd. Glouc. R.

1st Jan. 1917.

Page 20. For Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Aubrey Holmes Bolton, Glouc. R., read Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Aubrey Holmes Boulton, Glouc. R.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Military Cross on the undermentioned Officers and Warrant Officers in recognition of their gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field:—

2nd Lt. Henry Cecil Allen, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and determination in laying and repairing a line under heavy fire.

Temp. 2nd Lt. Charles Barrington Anderson, Sea. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed marked courage and ability in organising and conducting the supplies of bombs and ammunition during the operations. He has previously done fine work.

2nd Lt. William Bruce Anderson, Gordon Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He assumed command of and led his company with great courage and determination, capturing 170 prisoners.

Temp. Sub-Lt. William Arblaster, R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He carried out three most valuable reconnaissances under heavy fire, and obtained information of vital importance.

2nd Lt. Henry Armstrong, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and ability in re-organising his men. Later, he successfully held 150 yards of the captured enemy trench for 36 hours until he was relieved.

2nd Lt. Gilbert Ashton, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He repeatedly repaired his telephone line under a very heavy fire, and maintained communication with his Battery all day.

Temp. 2nd Lt. William George Baker, Som. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and coolness when in command of a party of grenadiers. On one occasion a grenadier dropped a bomb after the safety-pin had been withdrawn, causing confusion amongst the remainder of the men in that part of the trench. 2nd Lt. Baker at once rushed forward, picked up the bomb, and threw it over the parapet, when

it immediately exploded, thereby preventing fatal consequences by his prompt action and coolness.

Temp. 2nd Lt. John Richard Aubrey Balchin, M. Gun C.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and determination when in charge of two machine guns. Although severely wounded, he gave a N.C.O. instructions to carry on, and himself continued to encourage his men.

Temp. 2nd Lt. William George Barker, Gen. List and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He flew at a height of 500 feet over the enemy's lines, and brought back most valuable information. On another occasion, after driving off two hostile machines, he carried out an excellent photographic reconnaissance.

2nd Lt. Richard Cox Bartlett, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He extinguished a fire in a gun emplacement, and afterwards removed several wounded men to a place of safety, setting a splendid example of coolness and courage.

2nd Lt. Archibald Bates, North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although several times buried by shells, he remained at duty, and showed a fine example of courage and coolness to his men in very difficult circumstances. He has previously done fine work.

2nd Lt. Henry Spencer Bell, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and determination on several occasions when cutting enemy wire with his trench mortar battery. On one occasion he directed the fire from "No Man's Land."

2nd Lt. (temp. Capt.) Henry Charles Bennett, N. Lanc. R., formerly Lrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led the three assaulting companies of his Battalion with great courage and determination. Although wounded, he continued to command, gained his objective, and consolidated the position.

Temp. Lt. Charles William Biggs, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He dug a trench under the most intense fire, setting a splendid example throughout, and by his initiative undoubtedly saved many lives.

Capt. Edward James Blair, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He tended and dressed the wounded under heavy fire continuously for 18 hours. He set a splendid example of courage and determination throughout.

2nd Lt. (temp. Lt.) James Bliss, Sea. Highrs

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his men to their objective with great