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War Office,
12th February, 1917.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award the Victoria Cross to No. 1396 Sjt. Thomas Mottershead, late R.F.C.

For most conspicuous bravery, endurance and skill when, attacked at an altitude of 9,000 feet, the petrol tank was pierced and the machine set on fire.

Enveloped in flames, which his observer, Lt. Gower was unable to subdue, this very gallant soldier succeeded in bringing his aeroplane back to our lines, and though he made a successful landing, the machine collapsed on touching the ground, pinning him beneath wreckage from which he was subsequently rescued.

Though suffering extreme torture from burns, Sjt. Mottershead showed the most conspicuous presence of mind in the careful selection of a landing place, and his wonderful endurance and fortitude undoubtedly saved the life of his observer.

He has since succumbed to his injuries.

War Office,
12th February, 1917.

REGULAR FORCES.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.

The undermentioned appts. are made:—

PERSONAL STAFF.

A.D.C.—Lt. F. B. Stanton, Canadian Art. 2nd Oct. 1916.

Temp. Capt. The Hon. A. O. Crichton, from a special appt., vice temp. Maj. B. Kerr. 7th Feb. 1917.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

(Graded for purposes of pay as a D.A.Q.M.G.)—Maj. A. F. Owen-Lewis, D.S.O., late Lan. Fus., Spec. Res. (Capt., Res. of Off.), from a G.S.O., 2nd Grade. 31st Jan. 1917.

(Graded for purposes of pay as Staff Capts. whilst comdg. a Co., Officer Cadet Unit).—Lt. (temp. Capt.) H. M. Crofts, Lond. R., T.F., and to retain his temp. rank whilst so empld. 1st Oct. 1916.

Capt. T. A. Bradford, D.S.O., Durh. L.I., T.F. 1st Jan. 1917.