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War Office,
14th June, 1917.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers:—

Lt. Rupert Vance Moon, Inf. Bn., Aus. Imp. Force.

most conspicuous bravery during an on an enemy strong point.

His own immediate objective was a position in the advance of the hostile trench, and he fought against the hostile trench itself, after the capture of which it was intended that his men should co-operate in a further assault on a strong point further in rear.

Although wounded in the initial advance, he reached his first objective.

Leading his men against the trench itself, he was again badly wounded and incapacitated for the moment.

He nevertheless inspired and encouraged his men and captured the trench. Lt. Moon continued to lead his much diminished command in the general attack with the utmost

valour, being again wounded, and the attack was successfully pressed home.

During the consolidation of the position, this officer was again badly wounded, and it was only after this fourth and severe wound through the face that he consented to retire from the fight.

His bravery was magnificent, and was largely instrumental in the successful issue against superior numbers, the safeguarding of the flank of the attack and the capture of many prisoners and machine guns.

2nd Lt. (A/Capt.) David Philip Hirsch, late York R.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty in attack.

Having arrived at the first objective, Capt. Hirsch, although already twice wounded, returned over fire-swept slopes to satisfy himself that the defensive flank was being established.

Machine gun fire was so intense that it was necessary for him to be continuously up and down the line encouraging his men to dig and hold the position.