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SATURDAY, 11 AUGUST, 1917.

India Office, 11th August, 1917.

The KING has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments to the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire in recognition of the meritorious services of the undermentioned officers in connection with the War :-

To be additional Companions of the said Most Eminent Order :-

Temporary Captain Philip James Griffiths Pipon, M.C., Indian Civil Service. Captain Khan Muhammad Akbar

Akbar Kkan, Native Indian Land Forces.

Risaldar-Major Muhi-ud-din Khan, Sardar Bahadur, 31st Lancers, Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency the Viceroy of India.

Natha Singh, Major-General, Jind Imperial Service Troops.

Pooran Singh, Major-General, Kapurthala Imperial Service Troops.

Girdhar Singh, Lieutenant-Colonel, Bharatpur Imperial Service Troops.

Ali Khan, Lieutenant-Colonel, Haider Kashmir Imperial Service Troops.

War Office,

11th August, 1917.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned Officer:-

Captain William Avery Bishop, D.S.O., M.C., Canadian Cavalry and Royal Flying Corps.

For most conspicuous bravery, determination and skill.

Captain Bishop, who had been sent out to work independently, flew first of all to an enemy aerodrome; finding no machine about, he flew on to another aerodrome about three miles south-east, which was at least twelve miles the other side of the line. Seven machines, some with their engines running, were on the ground. He attacked these from about fifty feet, and a mechanic, who was starting one of the engines, was seen to fall. One of the machines got off the ground, but at a height of sixty feet Captain Bishop fired

fifteen rounds into it at very close range, and it crashed to the ground.

A second machine got off the ground, into which he fired thirty rounds at 150 yards range, and it fell into a tree.

Two more machines then rose from the aerodrome. One of these he engaged at the height of 1,000 feet, emptying the rest of his drum of ammunition. This machine crashed 300 yards from the aerodrome, after which Captain Bishop emptied a whole drum into the fourth hostile machine, and then flew back to his station.

Four hostile scouts were about 1,000 feet above him for about a mile of his return journey, but they would not attack. His machine was very badly shot about by machine gun fire from the ground.

His Majesty the KING-EMPEROR has been graciously pleased to approve of the grant of Honorary rank as under, in recognition of distinguished services rendered in connection with the War:—

To be Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel.

Desaraj Urs, C.I.E., M.V.O., Colonel, Mysore Imperial Service Lancers.

To be Honorary Captain.

Temporary Honorary Captain Shah Mirza Beg, Hyderabad Imperial Service Lancers.

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