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TUESDAY, 18 DECEMBER, 1917.

*Chancery of the Order of
Saint Michael and Saint George,*

*Downing Street,
18th December, 1917.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, for services rendered in connection with Military operations in the field. Dated 4th June 1917:—

To be an Additional Member of the Third Class, or Companions, of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

T./Lt.-Col. Edward Gelson Gregson, C.I.E.,
Ind. Army, R. of O.

*War Office,
18th December, 1917.*

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria

Cross to the undermentioned Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Man:—

Lt.-Col. Arthur Drummond Borton,
D.S.O., Lond. R.

For most conspicuous bravery and leadership. Under most difficult conditions in darkness and in an unknown country, he deployed his battalion for attack, and at dawn led his attacking companies against a strongly held position.

When the leading waves were checked by a withering machine-gun fire, Lt.-Col. Borton showed an utter contempt of danger, and moved freely up and down his lines under heavy fire. Reorganising his command, he led his men forward, and captured the position.

At a later stage of the fight, he led a party of volunteers against a battery of field guns in action at point-blank range, capturing the guns and the detachments.

His fearless leadership was an inspiring example to the whole Brigade.