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TUESDAY, 15 JULY, 1919.

*Air Ministry,
Hotel Cecil, Strand,
London, W.C. 2,
15th July, 1919.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the undermentioned awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross, conferred by the General Officer Commanding the British Army in Mesopotamia:—

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Captain James Stanley Beatty, 72nd Squadron.

During the operations near Sheroat, 24th to 30th October, 1918, he rendered gallant service in harassing the enemy by machine-gun fire from very low altitudes, being vigorously fired upon the whole time.

Captain Beatty has always been conspicuous for gallantry and devotion to duty.

On the 21st April, 1918, he destroyed one enemy machine and brought down another out of control.

Lieutenant Sydney Bull, 30th Squadron.

Whilst engaged in bombing and machine-gunning hostile tribesmen at Khun, near

Bushire, on 6th March, 1919, he saw that a brother officer had been shot down. Hoping that he might be alive, he attempted to land on absolutely unsafe ground at very close range fire from the enemy, but after touching the ground twelve yards from the crashed machine he saw at once that no hope could be entertained that the occupant was alive, by reason of the condition of the wreck, and he was accordingly compelled to abandon further action.

The attempt at rescue involved much risk, as had he actually landed it is improbable that he would have been able to take off again, apart from the attention which the tribesmen would have given him at that time.

Captain Frank Nuttall, M.C., 30th Squadron.

A gallant flight leader, who has rendered valuable services in carrying out the most arduous duties in action, and has commanded his flight with great skill under exceptionally difficult conditions.

On the 27th April, 1918, near Kirkuk, whilst engaged in attacking enemy troops from a low altitude, he was shot down, wounded.