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WEDNESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER, 1921.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace,
28th September, 1921.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, in recognition of gallant conduct in the performance of military duties:—

To be dated 25th July, 1921 (except where otherwise stated.)

To be an Officer of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:—

Capt. Robert Anderson Ransom, P.W. Vols.

To be Members of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:—

Lt. Frederick William Coleman, M.C., R. Fus.
(Dated 25th August, 1921.)

Lt. George Craig, Border R.

Lt. Denys Frederick Hook, M.C., Hampshire R. (Dated 25th August, 1921.)

Lt. Geoffrey Ibberson, Border R.

Lt. William James Shaw, M.C., The King's R.
(Dated 27th July, 1921.)

Lt. John Patrick Sheridan, M.M., Loyal R.
(Dated 25th August, 1921.)

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Medal of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire to the undermentioned in recognition of gallant conduct in the performance of military duties:—

To be dated 25th July, 1921 (except where otherwise stated.)

10TH HUSSARS.

No. 534212 Farr. S./Sgt. Thomas Edwin Cox.
No. 534200 Sqdn. S./Maj. George Farrant.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT.

No. 6078040 Pte. William Samuel Danby.
No. 6076430 Cpl. Thomas Jenkins. (Dated 3rd August, 1921.)

THE ROYAL FUSILIERS.

No. 6446112 Pte. William Charles Finch.
(Dated 25th August, 1921.)

THE LOYAL REGIMENT.

No. 3847341 L./Cpl. Joseph Whalley.
(Dated 25th August, 1921.)

War Office,

28th September, 1921.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the undermentioned reward for distinguished service in the Field with the Waziristan Force, India:—

AWARDED A BAR TO THE MILITARY CROSS.

Capt. John Guy Simons, M.C., 2/1st Gurkha Rif., I.A.

For gallantry and devotion to duty. In the action of Shingi (Takkizam), on 23rd April, 1921, this officer was a liaison officer of the Sara Rogha troops. When the enemy opened an intense fire on the convoys he attempted to return to his own men, but, being severely wounded in two places, he could only crawl into the sangar occupied by a platoon of the 2/25th Punjabis. Though so badly wounded, throughout the whole action and during the withdrawal he commanded this sector in the most calm and efficient manner. His very gallant example and coolness inspired all ranks, and materially increased their power of resistance.

(M.C. gazetted 18th July, 1917.)

AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.

Capt. Atul Krishna Kar, I.M.S., attd. 28th Punj., I.A.

On the 10th April, 1921, during the action below Haidari Kach, this officer was sent out from camp to bring in wounded. All ranks of the regiment testify to his devotion and personal disregard to danger while binding up wounded and despatching them to camp under a heavy fire. Owing to his coolness and splendid organization the wounded were systematically evacuated in very difficult circumstances.

Lt. Justin Gerrard Pargiter, attd. 27th Cav., I.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 21st May, 1921, near Idak. When his troop was fired into at close range, his horse was shot under him, but he immediately got another horse, and showed great coolness and skill under heavy fire. He subsequently led two dismounted attacks against superior numbers, and his extreme coolness and courageous example under heavy fire was of great value in encouraging his men, who were at one time largely outnumbered.

Lt. Cuthbert Harold Boyd Rodham, 1/127th Baluch. L.I., attd. 2/25th Punj., I.A.

For gallantry and devotion to duty, during the action in the Takkizam, on 23rd April, 1921. When the enemy opened an intense fire on the convoy and the forward platoons in the river bed, and these platoons were running short of ammunition, he took command of a platoon to carry up more ammunition, and was wounded in the arm almost as they started. Disregarding a severe wound in his forearm, he planned a fresh line of advance, and under a heavy fire led the platoon to within 40 yards of the front line, where he was again severely

wounded. His very gallant example and coolness inspired all ranks and enabled the object to be achieved without check.

War Office,

28th September, 1921.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the undermentioned rewards for distinguished service in the Field in Mesopotamia:—

AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.

Capt. William Henry Dutcher, I.A.R.O., empld. Mes. Rlys.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Istabulat, between the 30th August and the 3rd September, 1920. When in command of a construction train, during four days and nights he repaired the line in the presence of large hostile forces, often under heavy fire. He was encumbered with a train full of refugees, but, having armed 200 of them with rifles, held his position, keeping superior forces at bay. Throughout he displayed resource, judgment and bravery deserving of the highest praise.

AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

1044108 (frmly. 42504) Sjt. U. A. V. Deering, D.C.M., 39th By., 19th Bde., R.F.A. (Wrotham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the night of the 24th/25th July, 1920, near Rustamiyeh Canal. During a withdrawal at night, he handled his gun with great courage, the enemy being only fifty yards away. Though wounded he superintended the withdrawal of his gun, three of the six horses of his team being killed, and then walked all the way in, so that other wounded might ride.

(D.C.M. gazetted 3rd June, 1919.)

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

7869792 (frmly. 319011) A./Cpl. F. Denny, 6th Armd. Coy., Tank C. (Canning Town).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Khanikin. He repeatedly volunteered out of his turn to form one of a Vickers gun team. Though badly wounded he refused to leave his gun, and by his gallantry and coolness set a splendid example to his comrades.

1402109 (frmly. 20070) Sjt. C. Downs, R.G.A., attd. I.W.T., R.E. (Shepherd's Bush).

For conspicuous gallantry on the 28th August, 1920. Whilst the Defence Vessel "Grayfly" was proceeding towards Samawah under heavy close-range fire from the enemy, her awning caught fire and the ship was in danger of being burnt. Sjt. Downs immediately proceeded to draw water from the river, and succeeded in putting the fire out. His prompt action undoubtedly saved the vessel.

1044103 (frmly. 29681) Sjt. E. H. Hinxman, 39th By., 19th Bde., R.F.A. (Wavertree, Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the night of the 24th/25th July, 1920, near Rustamiyeh Canal. During a rearguard action at night, his sub-section was sent up to the front. Although under close rifle fire he succeeded in getting his gun into action, and it was due to his courage and determination that this gun was able to support the column.

6669 Sjt. J. Willis, 2nd Bn., Manch. R. (Euston, London, N.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 24th July, 1920, south-west of Hillah. During a rearguard action at night he organised ammunition carrying parties, which he led under heavy fire. On one occasion a small party covering the right flank ran short of ammunition. In spite of the enemy being only thirty yards away, and the ground being swept with bullets, he and two men twice took up ammunition and a Lewis gun. He inspired all by his courage.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of a Bar to the Military Medal to the undermentioned for bravery in the Field with the British Forces in Mesopotamia:—

MACHINE GUN CORPS.

8872 Cpl. Lacey, J., M.M., 8th Bn. (Walworth).

For bravery on the 12th October, 1920, near Samawah. This non-commissioned officer throughout the day showed great gallantry and energy when in charge of a machine gun. He took his gun forward on several occasions under close and heavy fire, affording great assistance to the advancing infantry and inflicting many casualties on the enemy. He set a fine example to all.

(M.M. gazetted 17th June, 1919.)

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Military Medal to the undermentioned non-commissioned officers and men for bravery in the field with the British Forces in Mesopotamia:—

DRAGOON GUARDS.

389663 (frmly. D/6894) Sjt. Carter, R. J. B., 7th (Hounslow).

For bravery and devotion to duty during the operations against the Arabs east of Baqubah on the 11th-14th August, 1920. When the right wing of his regiment was attacked by Arabs east of Marut post, this non-commissioned officer, by his gallantry and coolness under fire, set a fine example to his troop, which mainly consisted of young soldiers, thereby greatly assisting in the subsequent retirement.

393282 (frmly. 35546) Cpl. (A./Sjt.) Trowbridge, G. T., 1st King's (Fratton).

For bravery and devotion to duty during operations east of Baqubah on the 11th-12th August, 1920. When in charge of two

Hotchkiss guns manned by young soldiers this non-commissioned officer by his coolness and personality kept his men working their guns steadily and effectively during a twelve-mile rear-guard action against continuous Arab attacks. On nearing Baqubah, both guns being then out of action, he carried one seven hundred yards to a motor-car. He subsequently collapsed at Baqubah station from burns and exhaustion.

ROYAL FIELD ARTILLERY.

1046686 By./S.M. (W.O. Cl. 2) Leonard, F., 131st By. (Wellingborough).

For consistent good work and bravery under fire during the operations lasting from the 1st July to the 18th October, 1920. He has shown great initiative and resource under difficult conditions, in particular when cut off at Guchan between the 23rd July and the 2nd August, 1920. His untiring energy was an excellent example to the non-commissioned officers and men of the battery.

1045929 Sjt. Jordon, H., 96th By. (Liverpool).

For bravery and devotion to duty. During a sortie by the garrison at Fallujah on the 16th August, 1920, when his gun came under brisk enemy fire at eight hundred yards, he immediately turned his gun on to the enemy with the utmost coolness and promptitude, and dispersed them, inflicting several casualties.

1046692 Sjt. Pettit, H. J., 131st By. (Brixton).

For bravery and devotion to duty during the period from the 1st July to 18th October, 1920, especially at the taking of the Hindiyah barrage on the 13th August, 1920, when his coolness under heavy rifle fire set a splendid example to his men.

1044109 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) Day, W. C., 39th By. (Calicut, India).

For bravery near Hillah between the 4th and 25th July, 1920, especially as No. 1 of a gun on the night of the 24th-25th July, 1920, when his sub-section came under heavy fire and most of the horses had been killed. He remained at his gun until ordered to abandon it. His reliability and courage were worthy of the highest praise.

1045878 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) Smith, F. T., 132nd By. (Toronto).

For bravery and devotion to duty near Rumaithah on the 22nd July, 1920. A section of the battery in a rearguard action was in danger of being cut off. Although wounded, this non-commissioned officer, by his coolness and energy under very trying circumstances, kept the teams together, thus enabling the guns to be limbered up when required.

1044236 Dvr. Halls, G. W., 39th By. (Chelsea).

For bravery on the 13th October, 1920, at the Nahr Shah canal, on the Hillah-Kif road, whilst lead driver of the gun of his sub-section. His section was advancing at a gallop to support the advance when it came under heavy and well-directed rifle fire from a flank. His riding horse was killed and two men and a horse were wounded. Despite the accuracy of the enemy fire, he halted, cut out the dead horse, and led his gun into action over most difficult country. Throughout he set a splendid example to all.

1046215 Gnr. Pickering, R. S., 97th By. (Preston).

For bravery and determination under heavy rifle fire on the 20th July, 1920, near Rumaithah. He succeeded in getting his water cart to the river edge under heavy fire from the opposite bank, and was successful in filling the cart. He was thereby able to supply his battery at a time when they were badly in need of water.

ROYAL GARRISON ARTILLERY.

1403972 Sjt. Crapper, W. A., 5th By., attd. I.W.T. (Peckham).

For bravery and devotion to duty at Kufah throughout the investment, and especially after the officer commanding defence vessel "Firefly" had been wounded. Though himself slightly wounded, he ably commanded the vessel from 25th July to the 14th August, 1920, during which period the ship was subjected to enemy sniping both day and night. On the 30th July, 1920, he skilfully directed his guns on to an enemy sniper post, which was causing severe casualties to the garrison. He was a fine example to his crew.

1409443 Gnr. Watts, W., attd. I.W.T. (Olney).

For bravery and devotion to duty during the period from the 10th to the 22nd August, 1920, on the defence vessel "Greenfly." Whilst under heavy fire, he displayed great coolness and courage, and inflicted severe casualties upon the enemy by his excellent handling of a Maxim gun.

THE SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY.

202656 Pte. Simmons, W. J., 1/4th Bn., attd. Arab Levies (North Curry).

For bravery and contempt of danger throughout the siege of Kufah. On the 2nd of August, 1920, on the occasion of a serious fire which threatened the whole of the defences, this soldier, regardless of falling beams and collapsing roofs, advanced outside the limits of the defences under heavy sniping, and, having assisted in preventing the fire from spreading, ultimately succeeded in subduing it.

THE MANCHESTER REGIMENT.

79540 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) Fairhurst, R., 2nd Bn. (Wigan).

For bravery and devotion to duty on the 24th July, 1920, south-west of Hillah. It

was greatly due to this non-commissioned officer that a regimental section of the transport column did not break away when charged by a stampede of cavalry and other horses. He rode up and down the line under heavy fire, urging the drivers to keep their places, and brought back several animals which broke away. He was knocked off his horse by the stampede, but remounted and continued to carry out his duties in a very gallant manner, successfully bringing in the majority of the vehicles.

8904 Pte. Boyd, W., 2nd Bn. (Oswald-twistle).

On the 24th July, 1920, south-west of Hillah, when a party of men were endeavouring to cover the right flank of the column in order to enable the transport to retire, they were heavily attacked by the enemy, who got as close as thirty yards. The party ran short of ammunition, and had a Lewis gun out of action. This man went with an N.C.O. on two occasions and brought up a Lewis gun, ammunition and magazines over ground swept with bullets, displaying great coolness and courage. His action enabled the position to be maintained long enough for the transport to get through.

90041 Pte. Collins, D., 2nd Bn. (King's County).

89375 Pte. Cooper, F., 2nd Bn. (Oldham).

In the engagement south-west of Hillah, on the evening of 24th July, 1920, these two men showed great bravery and devotion to duty. Under heavy fire from three sides, they continued to load their mules and carry guns and ammunition to their Company. Pte. Cooper's mule was eventually killed, and he joined a party of transport men who were protecting and defending the right flank of the transport in their retirement.

61965 Pte. Peverley, E., 2nd Bn. (Fails-worth).

On the 24th July, 1920, south-west of Hillah, when a party of men were endeavouring to cover the right flank of the column to enable the transport to retire, they were heavily attacked by the enemy, who got as close as thirty yards. The party ran short of ammunition and had a Lewis gun out of action. This man went with an N.C.O. on two occasions and brought up a Lewis gun, ammunition, and magazines over ground swept with bullets, displaying great courage and coolness. His action enabled the position to be maintained long enough for the transport to get through.

THE ROYAL ULSTER RIFLES.

7007125 (frmlly. 24955) Cpl. Carlisle, F., 2nd Bn. (Warrington).

For bravery and initiative during the operations for the relief of Sammarah on 30th August, 1920. He handled his Vickers' gun with skill and determination, displaying initiative in the selection of his targets. It was due to his efforts that the fire of the insurgents, which was being directed on the friendly Arabs supporting

the advance, was kept down. He directed his fire on the insurgents who were entrenched on the left bank of the Tigris, and forced them to abandon their trenches and retire. Throughout the day he behaved most gallantly, and set a fine example to all.

7006050 Pte. Kirk, A., 2nd Bn. (Ballyclare).

For bravery and devotion to duty on the 7th October, 1920, during the operations in connection with the advance on Nahr Shah canal, when the battalion was attacking a bank held in strength by the enemy. Pte. Kirk, as No. 1 of a Lewis gun section, handled his gun with great courage and effect, and when his gun was hit he repaired it in the open under fire.

7007237 Pte. (A./Cpl.) Le Rue, H. F., 2nd Bn. (St. Heliers, Jersey).

For bravery and devotion to duty throughout the campaign from the 1st July to 18th October, 1920. This non-commissioned officer was most conspicuous in the gallant handling of his Lewis gun section during the rearguard action fought by the battalion on the 22nd July, 1920.

7007394 (frmly. 25851) Pte. Leitch, P., 2nd Bn. (Belfast).

For bravery and devotion to duty. During the action of the 19th July, 1920, south of Abu-Tabikh, the battalion, which was acting as right flank guard of the column, was badly in need of water, and the river line was then held by the enemy. Pte. Leitch, who was the battalion water cart man, on his own initiative took the water cart to the river with some bhists. On nearing the river the party was fired on, but Pte. Leitch brought up the cart himself, and with the help of two others filled the cart while still under fire.

MACHINE GUN CORPS.

17354 Sgt. Strachan, J., 8th Bn. (Montrose).

For bravery and devotion to duty on the 11th November, 1920, while in command of a sub-section of his machine gun company and covering the advance of two companies of the 3/23rd Sikh Infantry from Shatt-al-Shuraish. Both his guns had to be man-handled during the advance with the infantry. After his 2nd in command was killed he commanded both guns with ability, and was only able to do so by continually exposing himself to fire.

7816652 (frmly. 105256) Pte. (A./Sjt.) Hannant, A. C., Comp. M.G. Sqdn. (Cav.). (Shorncliffe).

For bravery and devotion to duty in action on the 11-12th August, 1920, during operations east of Baqubah. This non-

commissioned officer rendered valuable service by his coolness and ability when in charge of a sub-section of machine guns during a twelve mile rearguard action against continuous Arab attacks. By his example and ability he kept his command efficient throughout till both guns were out of action for want of ammunition.

4486 Pte. Miller, R., 8th Bn. (Woodford Bridge).

For bravery on the night of the 2nd/3rd October, 1920, at Bathah. A party of Arabs having made their way to the perimeter of the camp opened fire and wounded three of the machine-gun team, including Pte. Miller, who was severely wounded in the thigh. Though in great pain he got his gun into action at once and fired half a belt before he collapsed from exhaustion. The gun was firing within three seconds of the first volley, which was a most creditable performance after three of the team had been wounded.

45204 Pte. (A./Sjt.) Williams, W., 8th Bn. (Wolverhampton).

For bravery on the 20th August, 1920, near Hindiyah barrage. No. 1 of the team having been wounded and No. 2 killed by heavy close range fire, Sjt. Williams, by his courage and rapid appreciation of the situation, kept the gun in action, doing serious damage to the enemy.

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS.

M/23259 Pte. (A./L.C.) Herley, T., M.T. Coy. (Widnes).

For bravery on the 7th September, 1920, when in a motor he accompanied a mounted patrol, to which he acted as scout. Through an accident he got separated from the main body of the patrol and was attacked by the insurgents, whom he kept off until relieved by the mounted patrol. His action was a fine display of courage and determination.

War Office,

28th September, 1921.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Meritorious Service Medal to the undermentioned for gallant conduct in the performance of military duty:—

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

1852006 L./Cpl. (A./Sjt.) Stonehouse, J. (Folkestone). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For gallant conduct and devotion to duty on the occasion of a fire amongst motor lorries at Mosul on the 28th June, 1920. Although arriving late at the scene of the fire, this N.C.O. immediately became conspicuous by his disregard of danger and for his leading of the sappers. He immediately started to look round for new points from which the fire could be attacked. On

several occasions he endeavoured to get into the back of one of the lorries to remove tins of petrol and other inflammable material which had not, up till that time, caught fire, but on each occasion he was driven back by the excessive heat. By his courage and example he was responsible for getting the fire in this lorry under control.

War Office,

28th September, 1921.

His Majesty the KING has directed that the Military Cross and the Bar to the Military Cross which were awarded to Robert Albert Keizer Stuart (late Lieutenant, Regular Army Reserve of Officers (The Middlesex Regiment)), and gazetted on 22nd April and 16th September 1918 respectively, shall be cancelled, and that his name shall be erased from the Register, in consequence of his having been convicted by the Civil Power.

His Majesty the KING has directed that the award of the Military Cross to Lieutenant George Wylie, The King's Own Royal Regiment, which was gazetted on the 26th November, 1917, shall be cancelled, and his name erased from the Register, in consequence of his having been dismissed the Service by sentence of a General Court-Martial.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.,
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ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

The following correction to an appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire is notified:—

London Gazette, dated 3rd June, 1919,
page 6991.

For Murphy, Maj. James, late R.F.A.,
Read Murphy, Maj. James Fraser, late Donegal Arty.; Mil.

War Office,

28th September, 1921.

CORRECTIONS.

The following are the correct descriptions of the undermentioned, whose names appeared in the London Gazette indicated for the reward as specified:

Military Cross.

London Gazette dated 4th June, 1917,
page 5484.

For No. 938 S./M. Albert Strickland, R. Fus.
Read No. 938 S./M. Albert Stickland, R. Fus.

London Gazette dated 15th October, 1918,
page 12063.

For T./2nd Lt. William Allbury, Durh. L.I.
Read T./2nd Lt. William Allbeury, Durh. L.I.

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