78th (Lowland) Field Bde.—Lt.-Col. (Bt.-Col.) J. M. B. Scott, T.D., from Active List, to be Lt.-Col. (Bt.-Col.). 2nd Jan. 1928. (Substituted for the announcement regarding this offr. which appeared in the Gazette of 6th Jan. 1928).

INFANTRY.

7th Bn. Foresters—Lt. A. J. Pearson, from Active List, to be Lt. 14th Mar. 1928.

4th Bn. Loyal R.—Lt. W. Blackhurst, from Active List, to be Lt. 14th Mar. 1928.

> Air Ministry, 13th March, 1928.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Air Force Cross to Mr. Bert Hinkler, D.S.M., in recognition of the distinguished service rendered to aviation by his recent flight in a light aeroplane from England to Australia.

Air Ministry, 13th March, 1928.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

The undermentioned are granted short service commissions as Pilot Officers on probation with effect from, and with seniority of, 2nd Mar. 1928:—

Ronald Yule BOOTES.

Ambrose Murray Cowell.

Arthur John Pelham GROOM.

Alfred HAYWOOD.

Alfred Daniel JAFFÉ.

Robert Victor REDPATH. (2nd Lt., R.A. (T.A.)).

Raymond Edgard Sydney Malmenayde Vinning.

Arthur Hamil WESTWOOD.

The undermentioned Flying Officers are transferred to the Reserve:—

James Allan Mollison, Class C. 14th Mar. 1928.

James Edward Doran-Webb, Class A. 15th Mar. 1928.

Flight Lt. Llewellyn Rolls Briggs is placed on the retired list at his own request. 14th Mar. 1928.

The short service commission of Pilot Officer on probation John Derby Allcroft is terminated on cessation of duty. 10th Mar. 1928.

STORES BRANCH.

Flight Lt. George BAKER is restored to full pay from half-pay. 8th Mar. 1928.

MEDICAL BRANCH.

Flight Lt. John D'Isney REAR is granted a permanent commission in this rank. 14th Mar. 1928.

Flying Officer Graham Scott Strachan, M.B., is promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant. 1st Mar. 1928. Flight Lt. Donald Bruce Smith, M.B.,

Flight Lt. Donald Bruce SMITH, M.B., is transferred to the Reserve, Class D. ii. 19th Mar. 1928.

Flight Lt. Edward Alston (temp. Capt., Dental Surgeon, General List) relinquishes his temporary commission on resignation of his Army commission. 29th Feb. 1928.

CHAPLAINS BRANCH.

The Rev. Frederick Wilfred HILBORN is granted a short service commission as a Chaplain, with the relative rank of Squadron Leader. 2nd Mar. 1928.

Memoranda.

The permission granted to 2nd Lt. Thomas Lawes Calvert to retain rank is withdrawn on his enlistment in the ranks of the Royal Air Force. 21st Feb. 1928.

The undermentioned are deprived of permission to retain rank on conviction by the Civil Power:—

Lt. Harold Rowbotham. 10th Dec. 1927. 2nd Lt. Charles William File. 2nd Feb. 1928.

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS. GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

The undermentioned are granted commissions on probation in the ranks stated, with effect from the 18th Mar. 1928:—

CLASS A.

Flying Officer Guybon Ebden Fitzgerald Boyes.

Pilot Officer Herbert James Padfield.

CLASS B.B.

Pilot Officer Thomas HERBERT.

Dallas Louis Eskell is granted a commission in Class C.as Flying Officer. 13th Mar. 1928.

The undermentioned Pilot Officers are promoted to the rank of Flying Officer. 13th Mar. 1928:—

Archibald Livingstone Muir. Edward Knowles Rayson.

Flying Officer Ernest Philip CLACEY is transferred from Class C to Class A. 5th Mar. 1928.

Flying Officer Richard Fox OVERBURY is transferred from Class A to Class C. 9th Mar. 1928.

Flying Officer Henry James Price is transferred from Class B to Class C. 29th Jan. 1928.

AUXILIARY AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

No. 601 County of London (Bombing) Squadron.—The undermentioned Pilot Officers to be Flying Officers. 17th Feb. 1928:—

Rupert Bellville.

John Shuldham SCHREIBER.