R.N.R.

Tempy. Lieut. C. C. Sutherland, R.N.V.R., to be Tempy. Lieut., R.N.R. 14th Sept. 1939.

R.N.V.R.

Actg. Sub-Lieut. A. F. F. Williamson to be Sub-Lieut. 12th Mar. 1940.

To be Tempy. Paymr. Sub-Lieuts. with seny. as stated :-

- R. A. S. Macdonald.
- R. O. MacKenna. K. A. McLellan. E. C. Rixon.
- - 25th Aug. 1939.
- J. W. M. Thompson.
 - 5th Sept. 1939.
- A. G. Bailey.

18th Aug. 1939.

T. O. Tatlow.

11th Dec. 1939.

Tempy. Sub-Lieuts. (Sp) to be Tempy. Lieuts. (Sp) with seny. as stated : ______ A. R. Rye. _____

27th Feb. 1940.

E. F. Johnston.

13th Feb. 1940.

J. G. Belsey.

- 25th Jan. 1940.
- Tempy. Sub-Lieut. (E) R. P. Cowey to be Tempy. Lieut. (E). 28th Feb. 1940. Tempy. Paymr. Sub-Lieuts. to be Tempy.
- Paymr. Lieuts. with seny. as stated :---
 - J. E. T. Caithness. G. F. Milne. D. E. Nixon.

3rd Dec. 1939.

G. Roberts.

1st Dec. 1939.

To be Tempy. Paymr. Sub-Lieut.:-P. Stent.

9th Sept. 1939.

Rev. J. R. C. Laughton, M.A., Rev. C. S. Howard, B.A., to be Tempy. Chaplains. 17th Apr. 1940.

Air Ministry, 19th April, 1940.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the undermentioned awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:-

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader George Ernest PEACOCK (33067).

When leading a formation of aircraft on a raid on enemy warships at Bergen, this officer displayed remarkable courage and determination. After the original attack by his formation he returned alone and repeated his run over the target in the face of heavy anti-aircraft fire. When on the return flight

to his base he again turned back to attack a hostile flying-boat which was shot down into the sea.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Edgar Norman **Ryder** (39193).

During April this officer was ordered to investigate an enemy raid at sea and took off alone in bad visibility and low cloud. He sighted an enemy aircraft and, observing that its port engine was out of action, he promptly attacked the starboard engine and after disabling it with one burst of fire the aircraft fell into the sea. Afterwards Flight Lieutenant Ryder found that his own aircraft was losing power and he was forced to come down on the sea, whereupon his aircraft immediately dived. When at a considerable depth he managed, with great difficulty, to extricate himself from the cockpit and was then picked up by a nearby trawler. His accurate flying made the interception a success, and his coolness and courage materially contributed to his own rescue and the collection of much valuable information. He set a splendid example of courage and discipline to his squadron.

Flying Officer Dereck Jack FRENCH (36129). Pilot Officer William Arthur Coote MULLOY (40636).

Flying Officer French Successful attacked, in the face of intense anti-aircraft attacked, in the face of intense anti-aircraft in the Bergen roadstead, enabling his navigator and bomb aimer, Pilot Officer Mulloy, to secure a direct hit on the cruiser. This operation necessitated more than 1,000 miles flying over the sea.

India Office,

19th April, 1940.

The KING has been pleased to appoint Lt.-Gen. C. N. F. Broad, C.B., D.S.O., Brit.-Serv. as Gen. Offr. Comdg.-in-Ch., Eastern Comm. 1st Apr. 1940. The KING has approved the following pro-

motions, appointments, retirements, etc.:-

INDIAN ARMY.

The seny. of the undermentioned Capts. in their present rank is as stated below :-

- A. Macdonald, M.B.E., 31st Aug., 1931. J. C. D. Bruce, 30th Aug. 1932. Lt.-Gen. Sir Bertrand R. Moberley, K.C.I.E., C.B., D.S.O., retires 16th Mar. 1940.
- Lt. D. J. Gill resigns his commn., 16th Apr. 1940.

" Spec. List " of Qr. Mrs. R.C. of Sigs. (I.A.).

- To be Lt. (Qr. Mr.).
- A. R. S. M. Albert Alexander Taylor, oth Dec. 1939.

INDIAN ARMY DEPARTMENTS.

- Capt. (Depy. Commy.) F. A. Marshall, M.B.E., to be Maj. (Commy.), 7th Feb., 1940.
- Lt. (Asst. Commy)) F. E. Pickett to be Capt. (Depy. Commy.), 7th Feb. 1940.