

N. R. Woodeson.

L. V. Strong.

S. Macmorran.

T. K. Alcock.

B. D. P. Bennett.

13th Dec. 1940.

To be Tempy. Sub-Lieut. (E):—

C. W. Gilchrist. 23rd Mar. 1941.

Tempy. Sub-Lieuts. (E), R.N.R., transferred to R.N.V.R., with seny. as stated:—

H. C. Roberts. 7th May 1940.

G. Negus. 14th Nov. 1940.

To be Tempy. Lieut. (E):—

F. W. Wildish, R.D. 14th June 1940.

Proby. Tempy. Sub-Lieut. (A) R. H. Botterill to be Tempy. Sub-Lieut. (A). 3rd Nov. 1940.

Tempy. Paym. Sub-Lieuts. to be Tempy. Paym. Lieuts. with seny. as stated:—

R. H. S. Thompson. 1st Mar. 1941.

R. W. Simpkin. 5th Apr. 1941.

E. W. Hunnisette. 20th Apr. 1941.

Proby. Tempy. Surgn. Lieuts. to be Surgn. Lieuts. with seny. as stated:—

T. D. Pilcher, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. 4th Mar. 1940.

O. G. Lloyd, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. 27th Mar. 1940.

B. S. Sher, M.B., Ch.B. 10th May 1940.

G. Morrice, M.B., Ch.B.

W. E. Willis, M.B., Ch.B.

17th June 1940.

J. R. Oliver, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. 23rd July 1940.

T. J. A. Phillips, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. 26th July 1940.

G. Sangster, M.B., Ch.B. 31st July 1940.

K. M. Tomlinson, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. 1st Aug. 1940.

F. G. C. Walker, M.B., B.Ch. 23rd Sept. 1940.

J. L. Elliott, M.B., Ch.B. 18th Oct. 1940.

T. R. Rutherford, M.B., Ch.B.

J. B. Porteous, M.B., Ch.B.

7th Dec. 1940.

C. H. Boyd, M.B., Ch.B., L.R.C.P. 17th Dec. 1940.

Tempy. Elect. Sub-Lieut. H. Brown to be Tempy. Elect. Lieut. 5th Apr. 1941.

Proby. Tempy. Surgn. Lieuts. (D) to be Tempy. Surgn. Lieuts. (D):—

J. L. Thompson, L.D.S., R.C.S. 6th Dec. 1940.

B. P. Taylor, L.D.S., R.C.S. 7th Jan. 1941.

J. M. Alexander, L.D.S.

D. G. Davies, L.D.S.

14th Jan. 1941.

To be Tempy. Lieut.—

E. C. D. Clayton. 28th Oct. 1940.

Tempy. Actg. Elect. Sub-Lieut. R. D. Kitchener to be Tempy. Elect. Sub-Lieut. 1st Mar. 1941.

Tempy. Paym. Sub-Lieuts. to be Tempy. Paym. Lieuts. with seny. as stated:—

Earl of Dumfries. 14th Feb. 1941.

W. A. White. 22nd Feb. 1941.

R. Barlow. 5th Apr. 1941.

Tempy. Sub-Lieut. (Sp.) G. S. Power to be Tempy. Lieut. (Sp.). 8th Feb. 1941.

*Air Ministry,*

*2nd May, 1941.*

### ROYAL AIR FORCE.

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

#### *Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Acting Squadron Leader John ELLIS, D.F.C. (37850), No. 610 Squadron.

This officer has commanded the squadron since July, 1940, and his personal example and tremendous energy have been mainly responsible for the high state of operational efficiency. The squadron has destroyed at least 89 hostile aircraft, 11 of which have been shot down by Squadron Leader Ellis.

Pilot Officer Richard Playne STEVENS, D.F.C. (87639), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 151 Squadron.

This officer has done particularly outstanding work with his squadron on night operations and has on three occasions shot down two enemy aircraft in one night. Pilot Officer Stevens shows a great determination to attack the enemy and is prepared to fly under the most difficult weather conditions. His courage, determination, thoroughness and skill have set an excellent example to his unit.

#### *Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Wing Commander Wallace Hart KYLE (26141), No. 139 Squadron.

In April, 1941, this officer led an attack against Ijmuiden Iron and Steel Works. In spite of intense anti-aircraft fire and interference from a patrol of Messerschmitt 109's, he dropped his bombs on the target from a height of 50 feet. The enemy fighters followed Wing Commander Kyle out to sea, but, by his skilful flying, he forced them to break off the attack. The operation was an outstanding success. He has now completed a number of successful operational missions and his resolute determination and leadership have been largely responsible for the high standard of efficiency in his squadron.

Acting Flying Officer William Davenport BROWN (N.Z.40732), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 75 (New Zealand) Squadron.

One night in March, 1941, this officer as rear gunner of an aircraft which was returning from a bombing mission, sighted a Messerschmitt 110 below his aircraft. In spite of the bad visibility he was able to keep the enemy aircraft in sight. After a few minutes he climbed to the attack but by excellent judgment and marksmanship, Flying Officer Brown fired three short bursts and the enemy fighter was seen to dive straight into the sea. On a previous occasion when he identified an approaching aircraft as hostile, his instructions to the captain enabled him to manœuvre his aircraft so as to avoid the enemy. Flying Officer Brown then used his fire to drive off the enemy aircraft which left in a damaged condition.

Pilot Officer William Michael DIXON (86390), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 99 Squadron.

One night in April, 1941, this officer took part in a raid on enemy warships at Brest. Locating his target by the light of his own