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Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division):—

Harry Cecil Smith, Motor Driver, London and North Eastern Railway.

An aircraft crashed and caught fire and the rear gunner was trapped in the burning wreckage. Despite the fierce flames, Smith

tore away a part of the fuselage, managed to reach the injured gunner and carried him to safety. Smith returned twice to the burning wreckage to drag away the pilot and another member of the crew, who were lying unconscious under the nose of the plane. There were explosive and incendiary bombs on board the aircraft and, during this time ammunition exploded continuously and the petrol tanks blew up.

Smith, by his prompt and gallant action, saved three lives.

COMMENDATION.

The individual named below has been Commended for his brave conduct during operations in Syria:—

Hugh Mackintosh Foot, O.B.E., Assistant British Resident, Trans-Jordan.

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