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FRIDAY, 3 MAY, 1918.

War Office,
3rd May, 1918.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned Officers, Non-commissioned Officer and Man:—

Captain (T./Lt.-Col.) Christopher Bushell, D.S.O., R.W. Surr. R.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion.

Lt.-Col. Bushell personally led "C" Company of his battalion, who were co-operating with an Allied regiment in a counter-attack, in face of very heavy machine-gun fire. In the course of this attack he was severely wounded in the head, but he continued to carry on, walking about in front of both English and Allied troops encouraging and re-organising them. He refused even to have his wound attended to until he had placed the whole line in a sound position and formed a defensive flank to meet a turning movement by the enemy. He then went to brigade headquarters and reported the situation, had his wound dressed, and

returned to the firing line, which had come back a short distance. He visited every portion of the line, both English and Allied, in the face of terrific machine-gun and rifle fire, exhorting the troops to remain where they were, and to kill the enemy.

In spite of his wounds this gallant officer refused to go to the rear and had eventually to be removed to the dressing station in a fainting condition.

To the magnificent example of energy, devotion and courage shown by their Commanding Officer is attributed the fine spirit displayed and the keen fight put up by his battalion not only on the day in question but on each succeeding day of the withdrawal.

T./Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) William Herbert Anderson, late H.L.I.

For most conspicuous bravery, determination, and gallant leading of his command.

The enemy attacked on the right of the battalion frontage, and succeeded in penetrating the wood held by our men. Owing to successive lines of the enemy following on