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FOR

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PREFACE.

ON 24 October, 1918, the House of Commons decided by 274 votes to 25 that women should be admitted to the Mother of Parliaments. It is only a few years since that the majority of their fellow-countrymen denied with laughter that women were worthy even of the vote. To what is due this astonishing *volte-face*? Surely to the fact that after living for three generations in a hot-house atmosphere of illusions generated in the music-hall, England was suddenly compelled to face the fierce and terrible realities of life. Our country was called upon to fight or die; and it did not take her long to choose her course. From the outbreak of War it was clear that this was not a struggle of Armies against Armies, but of Peoples against Peoples, of Ideals against Ideals, of Organism against Organism. Each belligerent flung gradually the whole of its resources into the struggle; each drew to the utmost upon its Reserve. And in this country the main untapped Reserve was that to which had been denied in Peace the right to vote on the ground that in War it could not fight. It is now some years since the faces of women began to smile at us from under porters' caps and from the seats of motor-lorries. The process has been continued ever since until to-day behind the Army in the Field stands embattled an Army at Home mainly recruited from the ranks of women. Of these, thousands have played their part in the theatre of War. Some have been killed; not a few maimed; while just a handful, recorded in these volumes, have been decorated for "bravery and devotion under fire." These, we may be sure, regard the medals they have won less as a witness to their own personal prowess than as a testimony to the valour and endurance of the millions of unsung soldiers of their sex who in the factory, at the plough, beside the operating table, have made possible the Victory which shall establish on a Rock the foundations of Everlasting Peace.

ALFRED OLLIVANT.

30 November, 1918.

THE MILITARY MEDAL.



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INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

The Military Medal was instituted by Royal Warrant on 25 March, 1916:—

**ROYAL WARRANT INSTITUTING A NEW MEDAL ENTITLED
“THE MILITARY MEDAL.”**

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting: WHEREAS WE are desirous of signifying Our appreciation of acts of gallantry and devotion to duty performed by non-commissioned officers and men of Our Army in the Field We do by these Present for Us Our heirs and successors institute and create a silver medal to be awarded to non-commissioned officers and men for individual or associated acts of bravery on the recommendation of a Commander-in-Chief in the Field:

Firstly:—It is ordained that the medal shall be designated “The Military Medal.”

Secondly:—It is ordained that the Military Medal shall bear on the obverse the Royal Effigy, and on the reverse the words “For bravery in the Field,” encircled by a wreath surmounted by the Royal Cipher and a Crown.

Thirdly:—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We may be pleased to confer the Military Medal shall be published in the *London Gazette*, and that a Register thereof shall be kept in the Office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War.

Fourthly:—It is ordained that the Military Medal shall be worn immediately before all war medals and shall be worn on the left breast pendent from a ribbon of one inch and one quarter in width, which shall be in colour dark blue having in the centre three white and two crimson stripes alternating.

Lastly:—It is ordained that in cases where non-commissioned officers and men who have been awarded the Military Medal shall be recommended by a Commander-in-Chief in the Field for further acts of bravery, a Bar may be added to the medal already conferred.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's this Twenty-fifth day of March, 1916, in the Sixth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

KITCHENER.

A supplementary warrant, dated 21 June, 1916, provided for the award of the medal to women:—

**SUPPLEMENTARY WARRANT PROVIDING FOR THE AWARD OF
“THE MILITARY MEDAL” TO WOMEN.**

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS WE did by Royal Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated 25th March, 1916, institute and create a silver medal entitled “The Military Medal” to be awarded to non-commissioned officers and men for bravery in the Field;

AND WHEREAS WE are desirous that, under special circumstances, women shall be eligible for the award of the said medal;

IT IS OUR WILL AND PLEASURE AND WE do hereby Ordain that “The Military Medal,” may, under exceptional circumstances, on the special recommendation of a Commander-in-Chief in the Field, be awarded to women, whether subjects or foreign persons, who have shown bravery and devotion under fire.

Given at Our Court at Saint James’s, this 21st day of June, 1916, in the Seventh Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty’s Command,

A. BONAR LAW.

It will be observed that the medal in the case of men is awarded for “individual or associated acts of bravery,” while in the case of women it is awarded for “bravery and devotion under fire.”

Army Orders 13 and 53 of 1918 authorize the use of the letters, M.M., after the names of recipients:—

Army Order 13 of 1918.

Use of distinctive letters “D.C.M.” and “M.M.” after names of officers and soldiers.—1. From the date of promulgation of this Army Order, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men who have been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal or Military Medal will be entitled to add the distinctive letters “D.C.M.” or “M.M.” respectively (or both sets of symbols if the two medals have been awarded) after their names, and in all documents, registers, reports, correspondence, &c., the descriptions should include these particulars.

2. Officers commanding should forward direct to the Secretary, War Office, York House, Kingsway, W.C. 2 (marking the envelope in the top left hand corner *Army List*), lists of officers and warrant officers under their command who are entitled to have the

letters "D.C.M." or "M.M." after their names, giving in each case the rank and unit at the time of award, the theatre of war in which the medal was earned, and if possible a reference to the Army Order in which the award was notified.

3. This order is also applicable to officers who have been awarded the medals in question before being commissioned.

Army Order 53 of 1918.

Use of distinctive letters "M.M." after the names of Nurses.—The following will be *added* at the end of paragraph 3 of Army Order 13 of 1918:—

"and to members of the Military Nursing Service who may receive the Military Medal."

The first award of the medal to women was published in *The London Gazette* of 1 September, 1916 (No. 29731, page 8653), and contained six names.

In the eight lists of awards which appeared in subsequent *Gazettes* the wording of the announcement was—"His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to award the Military Medal," etc., etc., but from November, 1917, onwards, the wording was altered to "His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Military Medal," etc.

Up to 30 November, 1918, 115 awards have been made to Women who have worked with the British and Colonial Forces.

A Regiment, County, City, Village, School, or Family cannot but feel the greatest pride in having upon its Roll the name of a Woman who has won the Military Medal for "bravery and devotion under fire."

To The Royal Regiment of Artillery belongs the honour of claiming as a Daughter of the Regiment the first Woman to whom this Medal was awarded—The Lady Dorothe Feilding, 3rd daughter of Colonel The Earl of Denbigh, C.V.O., A.D.C., Royal Artillery (retired list).

The Preface to this Roll of Honour is *written* by a "Gunner"—Alfred Ollivant; and the Roll itself is *prepared* by another "Gunner"—John H. Leslie.



THE LADY DOROTHE FEILDING

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Second daughter of Colonel The Earl of Denbigh, C.V.O., A.D.C., was born at Newnham Paddox, Lutterworth, Warwickshire, on 6 October, 1889.

She was educated at home, and at Assumption Convent, in Paris.

In September, 1914, she joined the Munro Ambulance Corps and served with it, as ambulance driver, at the front in Flanders until June, 1917. This Corps, composed of a convoy of motor-ambulances, was officially attached to the Allied Armies. Its work consisted in bringing wounded men from the firing lines to the casualty clearing hospitals.

Admiral Ronarc'h, who commanded the French Brigade of *Fusiliers Marins*, in Flanders, published a special order of the day on 31 December, 1914, thanking her for work in removing wounded men in the neighbourhood of Ghent, Dixmude, etc., "showing, almost every day, the finest example of devotion and of disregard for danger."

This was accompanied by a letter from the Admiral saying that "all the men under his command would ever bear in remembrance 'la gracieuse ambulancière' who had so often risked her life in their relief."

Lady Dorothe was the first Englishwoman to whom the Military Medal was awarded, the award being notified in *The London Gazette* (No. 29731) of 1 September, 1916, in the following terms:—

"His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award the Military Medal for bravery in the field to the under-mentioned Ladies and Non-commissioned Officers, and Men."

Lady Dorothe had the honour of being received by the King, at Windsor Castle on 6 September, 1916, when His Majesty decorated her with the medal.

Lady Dorothe has also received:—

The Bronze Star—1914.
The French *Croix de Guerre* (Bronze Star).
The Belgian Order of Leopold II.

Lady Dorothe was married on 5 July, 1917, to Captain C. J. H. O'H. Moore, M.C., Irish Guards, of Mooresfort, Tipperary, and has one daughter, Ruth Mary, born on 22 October, 1918.

SISTERS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE WAR.

The Lady CLARE M. C. FEILDING. In R.A.F., driving motor cars.
The Lady BETTIE M. FEILDING } In Voluntary Aid Detachments,
The Lady VICTORIA M. D. FEILDING } Newnham Paddox Hospital.

BROTHERS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE WAR.

Major R. E. A., Viscount FEILDING, C.M.G., D.S.O., Coldstream Guards.
Lieutenant the Hon. H. C. R. FEILDING, Royal Navy (H.M.S. "Defence," flag-ship).
Killed in Action 31 May, 1916—Battle of Jutland.
Captain the Hon. H. S. FEILDING, Coldstream Guards. Died 9 October, 1917, from wounds received in action.



MISS L. E. JAMES

LAURA ELIZABETH JAMES,

Only child of the late Dr. David Philip James, of Wellington, New Zealand,

Born at Hokitika, New Zealand, was educated at the Girls' College, Wellington, and at Mrs. Croasdaile Bowen's Private School, Christchurch, New Zealand.

Trained, and afterwards a "Sister," at Wellington Hospital, New Zealand.

Appointed to Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service on 3 November, 1910.

Was mobilized as a "Sister," in August, 1914, and went to France. Has served abroad continuously ever since.

Since August, 1918, has been Acting Matron of No. 51 Stationary Hospital with the Italian Expeditionary Force.

DECORATIONS, MEDALS, ETC.

Military Medal (*London Gazette*, No. 30188, page 7275, of 18 July, 1917).

The Bronze Star—1914.

5 Service Chevrons—1 red and 4 blue.

Mentioned in General Sir Douglas Haig's Despatch of 13 November, 1916 (*London Gazette*, No. 29890 page 250, of 4 January, 1917).



MISS L. M. GILBERT

LOUISA MARY GILBERT,

Elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edward Gilbert, was born at Lewisham, Kent, on 1 December, 1889.

Joining Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service in October, 1915, she went to France immediately, as Staff Nurse, and has served there continuously up to the present time.

She now holds the rank of Acting Sister.

The award of the Military Medal was announced in *The London Gazette* (No. 30287) of 17 September, 1917.

Miss Gilbert bears 4 service (blue) chevrons.



THE BARONESS DE T'SERCLAES

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Elsie Blackhall Shapter, only daughter of Mr. Thomas Lewis Shapter, was born at Exeter in 1884, and educated at St. Nicholas's, Folkestone, and at the Chateau Lutry, Switzerland.

She enlisted at the outbreak of war (August, 1914) in the Women's Emergency Corps, as a despatch rider, but in the following month joined the Munro Ambulance Corps and went to Belgium, serving in the trenches, first-aid dressing stations, etc. Was in the retreat from Antwerp to Dixmude, and at the battles of Alost, Termonde, Melle and Ghent. Later she established an advanced aid post at Pervyse, now renowned as the "Cellar House," serving altogether in the advanced lines of the Army, for 3½ years. She was, of course, constantly under fire.

In March, 1918, she was compelled to return to England suffering from gas poisoning, and, from that time onwards has served as Administrator in the Women's Royal Air Force.

She was married to the Baron de T'Serclaes, 1st Regiment of Guards, Belgian Army (attached to the Flying Corps during the war), on 19 January, 1916.

DECORATIONS, MEDALS, ETC.

The Order of St. John of Jerusalem (Honorary Associate);

The Military Medal (*London Gazette*, No. 30389, page 11961, of 19 November, 1917).

The Bronze Star—1914.

The Belgian Order of Leopold II.

The Belgian Order of Queen Elizabeth.

BROTHER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Captain L. H. SHAPTER, The Suffolk Regiment. Killed in action, at Fleurbaix, on 1 February, 1915.

For further details of this Lady's services, see "The Cellar House of Pervyse," published by A. and C. Black, 1917.



MISS F. WILLIAMS

FLORENCE WILLIAMS,

only daughter of Serjeant Robert Daniel Williams, The Border Regiment, was born at Cockermouth, Cumberland, and educated at All Saints' School in that town.

She was awarded the Military Medal (*London Gazette*, No. 29916, of 24 January, 1917) for service rendered to wounded soldiers, in Dublin, during the Irish Rebellion—April, 1916—whom she assisted from the street to her mother's house, being repeatedly under fire in so doing.

She also rendered valuable assistance throughout the rebellion (April 24-29, 1916) by bringing bread, medical supplies, bandages, etc., for these wounded men, from the Adelaide Hospital, on every occasion being under fire from the rebels.

She was especially thanked by the Officers of the 10th Battalion, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, who, in recognition of her great service to the soldiers of the Regiment, presented a testimonial to her.

During the war she worked in a Shell Factory in Dublin.



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The late Mrs. M. A. C. Gibson Miss M. Hodge

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VIOLETTA THURSTAN.

Only daughter of Mr. Edward Paget Thurstan, was born at Ore, Sussex, in February, 1881, and was educated in France, Germany and at St. Andrews University.

She joined the British Red Cross Society in 1913 (No. 46, Westminster Detachment), was called up for service on 4 August, 1914, went out to Belgium in the same month in charge of a Red Cross Unit, and was posted to Charleroi, where she was taken prisoner on 24 August. She served in German hospitals at Charleroi, and was afterwards sent to Brussels. In October she was, with the other members of her unit, sent to Cologne and Hamburg, and finally put over the border into Denmark, free.

Her services were then lent to the Russian Government. She proceeded to Petrograd, and was sent to the Poland front. Owing to illness she returned to England in the spring of 1915, but went back to Russia in the autumn. Leaving Russia in 1916 she next served in Belgium, as Matron of the Military Hospital at La Panne (1000 beds) until July, 1917, when she was transferred to a British Dressing Station (15th Corps) at Coxyde, which was heavily shelled by the Germans on 27 August. The hut in which she was working was struck by a shell, and, although wounded by a piece of falling timber, she "continued to work and assist in the evacuation of the helpless wounded, a most stimulating example to all," and for this service she was awarded the Military Medal (*The London Gazette*, No. 30389, page 11961, of 19 November, 1917).

After a short stay in England on sick leave, she proceeded to Macedonia in charge of a Field Ambulance, serving there until August, 1918, when she again returned home, and has since been serving in the Royal Air Force.

In addition to the Military Medal Miss Thurstan has:—

The Bronze Star—1914.

The Belgian Order of Queen Elizabeth.

The Medal (Silver), 4th Class, of the Russian Order of St. George.

4 Service Chevrons—1 red and 3 blue.

Miss Thurstan is the Author of two books about the War—"Field Hospital and Flying Column," and "The People who run," published by G. P. Putnam's Sons, in 1916.

BROTHERS WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Commander N. M. C. THURSTAN, D.S.O., Royal Navy.

Captain D. R. THURSTAN, Royal Air Force.



MISS D. E. DOBBS

DAISY ELLEN DOBBS,

Daughter of Mr. Jesse Dobbs, was born at Portsmouth on 11 September, 1890, and was educated at Purrett Road School, Plumstead, Kent.

She joined the Territorial Force Nursing service in February, 1915, and served (Staff Nurse) in Salonika for 2 years (1916-18) in the 31st Casualty Clearing Station and in the 49th General Hospital.

On 28 February, 1917, the hospital was bombed by aeroplanes, when she was wounded by shell splinters. The hospital was again attacked on 4 March. For her services on these occasions The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30064, page 4598, of 11 May, 1917).

Coming to England on leave in 1918, she was in the "Warilda" which was torpedoed on 3 August when crossing from Havre. After being some time in the water she was picked up by a rowing boat, and two hours later was discovered and taken off by a Destroyer.

Miss Dobbs wears 3 blue Service Chevrons.

SISTER WHO HAS SERVED DURING THE WAR.

M. L. DOBBS, Staff Nurse, Territorial Force Nursing Service.



MISS C. E. TODD

CONSTANCE ELIZABETH TODD,

Fourth daughter of the late Mr. Stephen Ellis Todd, was born at Beverley, East Yorks, and was educated at Blackheath and in Germany.

She was trained at Guy's Hospital, London, and in 1911 was appointed Matron of St. James' Infirmary, Wandsworth.

In August, 1915, Miss Todd went out to France, as Matron of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Hospital, which was opened at Etaples in the following month, remaining there until the Hospital was bombarded and destroyed by enemy aeroplanes on the night of 30-31 May, 1918.

It was re-opened at Trouville in October, 1918. Miss Todd again assumed charge, as Matron, and remained there until the Hospital was demobilized on 1 February, 1919.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9001, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid.* She moved freely about the wards during the bombing, encouraging the Sisters and patients, and displayed great bravery and presence of mind throughout.”

In addition to the Military Medal Miss Todd has:—

The Order of St. John of Jerusalem (Honorary Associate).

The Royal Red Cross, 1st class (*The London Gazette*, No. 29608, page 5579, of 3 June, 1916).

The Bronze Star—1914-1915

4 blue Service Chevrons.

* On 30-31 May, 1918.



MISS D. M. L. CREWDSON

DOROTHEA MARY LYNETTE CREWDSON,

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crewdson of The Park, Nottingham, was born at Clifton, Bristol, on 18 July, 1886, and was educated at home and at "Levana," Southfields, Wimbledon.

She joined a Nottinghamshire Voluntary Aid Detachment (British Red Cross Society) in 1911, for Nursing.

Volunteering for active service in 1915, she was sent to France, where she served until after the end of the war (No. 16 General Hospital—Le Tréport—1915-6; No. 32 Stationary Hospital—Wimereux—1916-8; and No. 46 Stationary Hospital—Etaples—1918 onwards), being appointed Assistant Nurse in June, 1918. She was awarded the Military Medal:—"For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid.* Although herself wounded, this lady remained at duty and assisted in dressing the wounds of "patients." (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918).

Miss Crewdson also has—

The Bronze Star—1914-1915.

4 blue Service Chevrons.

BROTHER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Lieutenant H. A. F. CREWDSON, Coldstream Guards (Special Reserve).

* Whit-Sunday, 19 May, 1918, at Etaples.



MISS A. ROSS-KING

ALICE ROSS-KING,

Daughter of Mr. Archibald Ross-King, was born at Victoria, Australia, on 5 August, 1890, and was educated at the A.M.I., Melbourne.

She entered the Australian Nursing Service in November, 1914, and embarked for foreign service on 6 December, following.

She served in Egypt from December, 1914, to April, 1916, and then proceeded to France, serving there for the remainder of the war, latterly having the rank of Head Sister. She returned to Australia in January, 1919.

The award of the Military Medal was announced in *The London Gazette*, No. 30312, page 10038, of 28 September, 1917, in regard to service rendered on the occasion of an air raid on No. 2 Australian Casualty Clearing Station, at Trois Arbres, near Armentières, in July, 1917.

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Ross-King has:—

The Bronze Star, 1914-1915.

The Royal Red Cross, 2nd class (*The London Gazette*, No. 30716, page 6475, of 3 June, 1918).

1 red and 4 blue Service Chevrons.



MISS A. R. COLHOUN

ANNIE REBECCA COLHOUN.

3rd daughter of Mr. Robert Colhoun, Contractor, on Londonderry and Buncrana, was born at Londonderry and educated at Strand House School, in that town. She was trained as a Nurse in the Co. Tyrone Hospital, and in the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, and prior to the war was Matron of a small hospital near Vancouver, British Columbia.

She joined Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service in June, 1916, and was sent to Salonika, serving as Staff Nurse in the 37th General Hospital (1600 beds) near Monastir, nursing Serbians. This hospital was bombarded by aeroplanes on the morning of 12 March, 1917, when Miss Colhoun was wounded. In connection with this, the Military Medal (*The London Gazette*, No. 30095, page 5190, of 26 May, 1917) was awarded to her:—

“For conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid. She attended to, and provided for the safety of, helpless patients. She was assisting Staff Nurse Dewar when the latter was fatally wounded, and although the tent was full of smoke and acrid fumes, and she had been struck by a fragment of bomb, she attended to Staff Nurse Dewar and also to the case of a helpless patient.”

In July, 1917, she returned to England and served in the Military Hospital at Husley Camp, near Winchester.

Miss Colhoun was married on 24 July, 1917, to Private F. L. Crofton, Canadian Army Service Corps, 4th son of the late Captain the Hon. F. G. Crofton, Royal Navy (*d.* 1900), and then retired from service. She has one son (Francis David Lowther), born on 26 January, 1919.

In addition to the Military Medal, Mrs. Crofton has

The French *Croix de Guerre* (bronze star).
The Serbian Gold Medal.
2 blue Service Chevrons.



MISS B. A. ALLSOP

BEATRICE ALICE ALLSOP.

Only child of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Allsop, was born in London (Wandsworth) in April, 1882, and was educated at the Clapham School, Clapham.

She joined Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve) as "Sister," in August, 1914, and embarked for France in the following week, with No. 7 General Hospital. During the war she served as "Sister" in charge of Surgical wards (for last three years in charge of the operating theatre), both at Casualty Clearing Stations and Base Hospitals.

She was one of the six ladies* to whom the first award of the Military Medal was made (*The London Gazette*, No. 29731, page 8653, of 1 September, 1916).

It was awarded to her for services rendered when the Bethune hospitals were shelled in August, 1916.

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Allsop has:—
The Bronze Star—1914.
1 red and 4 blue Service Chevrons.

* The other five were:—
Lady Dorothea M. E. Feilding.
Miss N. Easeby, R.R.C.
Miss E. Hutchinson.
Miss M. M. Tunley, R.R.C.
Miss J. S. Whyte.



MISS S. P. DICKSON

STELLA PRIMROSE DICKSON,

Only child of the late Mr. Haughton Dickson, was born at Blackheath, Kent, on 27 July, 1892, and was educated at West Heath School, Hampstead, and at Bedales School, near Petersfield, Hants.

During the War she was engaged at various times (June, 1915, to December, 1917), in Canteen work, Farm work, driving Army Service Corps motor cars, and in clerical work at the Admiralty.

In January, 1918, she joined a Voluntary Aid Detachment (No. 198, London) and was immediately sent to France, where, attached to a F.A.N.Y. Corps convoy,* she drove a motor ambulance.

She, with three other ladies,† was awarded the Military Medal:—

“For conspicuous devotion to duty during an hostile air raid.‡ All these lady drivers were out with their cars during the raid, picking up and in every way assisting the wounded and injured, and showed great bravery and coolness, and were an example to all ranks.

“They also carried to safety and helped in every way many French civilians.” (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918).

Miss Dickson has two blue Service Chevrons.

* At St. Omer.
 † Miss Katherine Fabling.
 Miss Josephine Pennell.
 Miss Margaret Davidson.
 ‡ On 18 May, 1918, at St. Omer.



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Lieut.-Colonel J. H. LESLIE,
Gunnersholve,
Melbourne Avenue, Sheffield.

JANE BEMROSE.

4th daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bemrose, was born at Asterby, near Horncastle, Lincolnshire, and was educated at home.

From December, 1914, she served in England as a member of the Joint War Committee of the British Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and acted as temporary Sister in various hospitals in England.

In August, 1915, she proceeded to France with the St. John Ambulance Brigade Hospital, which was opened at Etaples in September, and served as a member of its staff until it was demobilized in January, 1919, then returning to England.

Owing to damage caused by enemy air raids at Etaples this hospital was removed to Trouville in May, 1918.

The Military Medal was awarded to Miss Bemrose (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9001, of 30 July, 1918) :—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid.* She showed “disregard of danger, and continued to attend the wounded in her charge during the “heavy bombardment.”

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Bemrose has :—

The Bronze Star, 1914-1915.

4 blue service chevrons.

BROTHER WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.
Driver H. BEMROSE, Royal Army Service Corps.

* At Etaples, on the night of 30-31 May, 1918.



MISS M. CAVANAGH

MOYRA CAVANAGH,

Youngest daughter of the late Mr. Edward Cavanagh and of Mrs. Hearn, of Bray, Berkshire, was born at Stream Hill, Doneraile, Co. Cork, and was educated at home and at the Convent of "La Sainte Union des Sacrés Coeurs," Lille, France.

In October, 1915, she joined a Voluntary Aid Detachment (No. 2 Maidenhead), and was at once sent to France, serving there in various hospitals.

She was appointed Assistant Nurse in August, 1918.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9001, of 30 July, 1918), when serving in No. 56 General Hospital:—

"For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid.* Miss Cavanagh was in charge of four wards, two of which were entirely wrecked. She continued to perform her duty and in addition was very active in removing the wounded to a place of comparative safety."

After Miss Cavanagh had been nursing in France for 3 years she was made General Service Superintendent at No. 2 Northern General Hospital, and is now managing a depot in London for the sale of disabled soldiers' work.

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Cavanagh has:—

The Bronze Star, 1914-1915.

3 blue service chevrons.

* At Etaples on 19 May, 1918.



MISS E. I. DEVENISH-MEARES

ETHEL ISABELLA DEVENISH-MEARES,

Second daughter of the late Mr. Joseph Leycester Devenish-Meares, of Meares Court, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath, where the family has been seated for nearly 300 years, was born in 1876 at Newry, Co. Down.

She was educated at home; at Morehampton House, Dublin; and at Dusseldorf, Germany.

She entered Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve) in 1909, and was called up for active service in August, 1914. She served throughout the war in France and in Belgium as Sister and Matron in Casualty Clearing Stations and in hospitals—Lemans and Poperinghe (1914); Lillers (1915); Dieppe, Etaples, and Le Tréport (1915-6); Albert, 1916; and Avesnes (1916-7).

The Military Medal was awarded to her, and to six other ladies (*The London Gazette*, No. 30433, page 13223, of 18 December, 1917):—

“For bravery and conspicuous devotion in the performance of their duties whilst exposed to enemy shell fire or bombs dropped by enemy aircraft.”*

Miss Devenish-Meares was mentioned in Field Marshal Sir John French's despatch of 31 May, 1915 (*The London Gazette*, No. 29200, page 4291, of 22 June, 1915), and in Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's despatch of 7 November, 1917 (*The London Gazette*, No. 30445, page 13487, of 24 December, 1917).

She was appointed an Associate of the Order of the Royal Red Cross (A.R.R.C.) on 1 January, 1917, and a Member (R.R.C.) on 3 June, 1919.

In addition to the Military Medal Miss Devenish-Meares has:—

The Bronze Star, 1914.

1 red and 4 blue service chevrons.

SISTERS WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Miss G. M. DEVENISH-MEARES, Soldiers' Home and Red Cross work.

Miss F. DEVENISH-MEARES, Voluntary Aid Detachment—nursing.

BROTHERS WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Lieutenant J. F. DEVENISH-MEARES, Territorial Force Reserve (General list).

Captain L. F. DEVENISH-MEARES, South African Army Service Corps.

2nd Lieutenant W. L. DEVENISH-MEARES,† New Zealand Infantry (Otago Regiment).

* On 20 October, 1917, when Sister in charge of No. 37 Casualty Clearing Station, at Godesvaervelde.
 † Wounded near Cambrai in October, 1918, and lost a leg.



MISS W. M. ELWES

WINIFRED MILLICENT ELWES,

Second daughter of the late Major Arthur Henry Stuart Elwes, M.V.C., Norfolk Yeomanry, of Congham House, Norfolk, was born at Congham on 21 October, 1892.

During the early part of the war—1915-6—she served in a hospital in England, doing kitchen work.

In June, 1916, she joined a Voluntary Aid Detachment (No. 146, London), and from October, 1916, served as an Ambulance Driver, attached to the Seaman's Hospital, Greenwich, for one year. She then went to France where she was attached to the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Convoy, at St. Omer.

The Military Medal was awarded to her, with 6 other ladies* (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For conspicuous devotion to duty during an hostile air raid.† All these lady “drivers were out with their cars during the raid, picking up and in every way assisting “the wounded and injured. They showed great bravery and coolness, and were an “example to all ranks.”

Miss Elwes has 2 blue service chevrons.

She has two brothers who served in the war.

* Miss E. B. Callander.
Miss E. A. Courtis.
Miss H. M. Dickinson.
Miss M. O'Connell-Bianconi.
Miss M. Richardson.
Miss M. Thompson.
† In and about St. Omer, on 18 May, 1918.



MISS M. A. BROWN

MARY AGATHA BROWN,

daughter of the late Mr. John Bower Brown, Manager of the Sheffield and Hallamshire Bank, Sheffield, was born in Sheffield, and was educated at the Convent of Notre Dame there, and at Namur in Belgium. She was trained at Firvale Infirmary, Sheffield, and afterwards did private nursing for several years in London.

She joined Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve) in December, 1914, serving in England (at Netley Hospital and on ambulance trains, etc.), until October, 1916. She then went to France and served in hospitals at Boulogne, Lillers, St. Omer, Le Tréport and Dieppe.

She was awarded the Military Medal (*The London Gazette*, No. 30725, page 6553, of 4 June, 1918):—

“For bravery and devotion to duty during an hostile bombing raid when in company with the Matron who was severely wounded and a Sister who was killed. She remained with them and tended them till help arrived. Subsequently she returned to the Casualty Clearing Station and worked devotedly for many hours, under conditions of great danger.”

Miss Brown is entitled to wear 3 blue service chevrons.



MISS M. RICHARDSON

MARY RICHARDSON.

Daughter of the late Mr. Henry Ellidge Richardson, was born at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and was educated at the High School there, and at Southport.

She joined the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps in March, 1915, in which she now holds the rank of Serjeant, and from then until the end of the war served in France and Belgium, latterly driving a Motor Ambulance in the F.A.N.Y. convoy, at St. Omer, attached to the 2nd Army.

The Military Medal was awarded to her and to six other members* of the F.A.N.Y. Corps:—

“For conspicuous devotion to duty during an hostile air raid.† All these lady drivers were out with their cars during the raid, picking up and in every way assisting the wounded and injured. They showed great bravery and coolness, and were an example to all ranks” (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918).

In addition to the Military Medal Miss Richardson has received:—

The Bronze Star, 1914-1915.
4 blue service chevrons.

BROTHER WHO HAS SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Major H. R. RICHARDSON, Saskatchewan Regiment (1st Canadian Mounted Rifles Battalion).

* Miss E. B. Callander.
Miss E. A. Curtis.
Miss H. M. Dickinson.
Miss W. M. Elwes.
Miss M. O'Connell-Bianconi.
Miss M. Thompson.
† At St. Omer on 18 May, 1918.



MISS M. HODGE

META HODGE,

Eldest daughter of the late Mr. Robert Hodge, of Winnipeg, Canada, was born at Clontibret, Co. Monaghan, Ireland, and was educated at the Erasmus Smith's School at Collon, Co. Louth.

She entered the Canadian Army Medical Corps in March, 1917, serving in Canada for three months, and then coming to England. In August, 1917, she went to France, serving as Sister in the 2nd Canadian General Hospital at Le Tréport and in the 3rd Canadian Stationary Hospital at Doullens.

The Military Medal was awarded to her and to Sister E. J. Thompson (*The London Gazette*, No. 30917, page 11339, of 24 September, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid.* Although injured “by a falling beam, these sisters displayed great presence of mind in extinguishing “overturned oil stoves, and later rendered valuable assistance in the removal of patients.”

Miss Hodge has 2 blue service chevrons.

BROTHERS WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Private H. B. HODGE, 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles.

Private R. S. HODGE, 4th Canadian Mounted Rifles.

They were both killed in action in France, on 1 December, 1915.

* At Doullens, on the night of 29-30 May, 1918.



THE LATE MRS. J. M. GIBSON

MARGARET ANNABELLA CAMPBELL GIBSON,

Eldest daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Elliott, C.M.G., Auditor General of Mauritius, was born in Mauritius and was educated at the Ladies' College, Cheltenham.

She married Mr. John MacDougall Gibson, Substitute Procureur General of Mauritius, at the age of 18 and was left a widow 3 years later.

Mrs. Gibson was in charge of the Princess Christian Hostel at Bloemfontein from 1907 to 1910, and held the post of Warden, Darbshire House, Manchester, from 1913 to 1917.

She joined Queen Mary's Women's Army Auxiliary Corps in July, 1917, and went to France in August, as "Unit Administrator," serving at Montreuil, Abbéville, and Dieppe.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30784, page 8029, of 8 July, 1918):—

"For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid when "in charge of a Q.M.W.A.A.C. camp which was completely demolished by enemy bombs, "one of which fell within a few feet of the trench in which the women were sheltering. "During the raid Unit-Administrator Gibson showed a splendid example. Her courage "and energy sustained the women under most trying circumstances, and undoubtedly "prevented serious loss of life."

Mrs. Gibson died from dysentery in the American Hospital at Le Tréport on 17 September, 1918.

She had two blue service chevrons.



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LILY ANNE GREGORY,

Elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gregory, was born at Rhymney, Monmouthshire, on 14 December, 1885, and was educated at Marlborough House School, Clifton, Glos., and at the Royal College of Music, London.

She joined a Voluntary Aid Detachment in 1914 and worked as Nurse in hospitals at Caerphilly and Cardiff. She went out to France in May, 1917, there serving in the 24th General Hospital at Etaples.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid.* Her ward “was destroyed by bombs, but she insisted on remaining at her post, and attended “the wounded during the progress of the raid.”

Miss Gregory writes:—“In all I think we had about 18 raids, and for three “months, after I came off night duty, I slept with the others in the woods, just taking “ground sheet and blankets.”

This medal was presented to Miss Gregory by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 17 December, 1919.

The Special Service Cross of the British Red Cross Society was awarded to her, and this Society also awarded her a scholarship to train for “health visiting.”

Miss Gregory has 3 blue service chevrons, and will receive—

- (a) The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- (b) The “Victory” Medal.

BROTHERS WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Private J. M. GREGORY, Royal Army Medical Corps.

„ S. B. GREGORY, „ „ „

Corporal T. HAYDN GREGORY, Royal Air Force. Died in France, 28 February, 1919, on his way to England for demobilization.

SISTER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Miss M. A. GREGORY, Nursing at the London Hospital.

* At Etaples on the night of 30-31 May, 1918.



MISS S. BONNELL

SARA BONNELL,

Second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bentley Jay Bonnell, was born at Kew, Surrey, on 4 June, 1888, and was educated at Bedales School, Petersfield, Hants.

From June, 1917, she served in the Canadian Army Service Corps, driving an ambulance car in London, but later in the year (30 December) joined the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps, in which she served in France from 31 December, 1917, until the end of the War, returning to England in April, 1919.

The Military Medal was awarded to her, with 4 other Ladies* (*The London Gazette*, No. 30784, page 8029, of 8 July, 1918):—

“For gallantry and conspicuous devotion to duty, when an ammunition dump† had been set on fire by enemy bombs and the only available ambulance for the removal of wounded had been destroyed. These ladies subsequently arrived with three ambulances, and, despite the danger arising from various explosions, succeeded in removing all the wounded. Their conduct throughout was splendid.”

The Medal was presented to Miss Bonnell by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 15 May, 1919.

Miss Bonnell has 2 blue service chevrons, and in addition to the Military Medal will receive:—

- (a) The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- (b) The “Victory” Medal.

Miss Bonnell was married on 1 September, 1919, to Major H. Marriott, O.B.E., Royal Engineers.

* Miss E. Gordon-Brown. Miss E. Faulder. Miss A. M. Faulkner. Miss N. Dewhurst.
† At Arque, near St. Omer, in the night of 18-19 May, 1918.



MISS J. A. HERBERT

JULIA ASHBOURNE HERBERT

Was born at Brighton on 26 March, 1881, and belongs to an old Gloucestershire family.

She joined the Territorial Force Nursing Service in 1912, and from August, 1914, to March, 1917, served as "Sister" in the 4th Northern General Hospital at Lincoln, then going to France, where she served in No. 35 General Hospital at Calais until August, 1918, and then in No. 1 Casualty Clearing Station, at various places between Arras and Mons.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30400, page 12331, of 26 November, 1917):—

"For conspicuous devotion to duty* when, after being wounded in the head, "by an aerial bomb, she came on duty in the operating theatre, and continued "to work through the whole night and all next day."

Miss Herbert was mentioned in Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's despatch of 7 November, 1917 (*The London Gazette*, No. 30445, page 13487, of 24 December, 1917).

She returned to England in March, 1919, on being demobilized.

Miss Herbert has 3 blue service chevrons, and will also receive:—

- (a) The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- (b) The "Victory" Medal, with oak-leaf emblem.

* At Calais, in September, 1917.



MRS. C. W. G. WATKINS

ETHEL FRANCES WATKINS,

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Haggis, was born at Oxford, and was educated at a private school there.

She went to France in October, 1914, working with the British Red Cross Society until April, 1915, when she joined Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve), serving at various Casualty Clearing Stations and Base Hospitals.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30959, page 12303, of 19 October, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid* which lasted for four hours. Sister Watkins behaved with the utmost coolness. When wounded by a piece of shrapnel she made light of her injury and set a magnificent example to those who were with her.”

Mrs. Watkins was mentioned in Field-Marshal Sir John French's despatch of 30 November, 1915 (*The London Gazette*, No. 29422, page 27, of 1 January, 1916), and in addition to the Military Medal has:—

- (a) The Bronze Star, 1914.
- (b) The Order of the Royal Red Cross, 2nd class.
- (c) The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- (d) The Victory Medal, with oak-leaf emblem.
- (e) 1 red and 4 blue service chevrons.

She returned to England in August, 1918.

Mrs. Watkins was married in 1913 to Mr. Charles Warren Glynn Watkins of “Malowa,” Gilgil, British East Africa. He died there from typhoid fever in 1914.

SISTER WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Miss MARGARET GERTRUDE HAGGIS, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve). Served in Egypt and Palestine.

* On 26 July, 1918, at Aubigny—No. 57 Casualty Clearing Station.



MISS D. P. FOSTER

DOROTHY PENROSE FOSTER,

Daughter of Colonel I. C. Foster, D.L., V.D., J.P., and Mrs. Foster, of Trevillis, Liskeard, was born at Liskeard, Cornwall, and was educated at Baker St. High School in London. She received her professional Nursing training at St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London.

She joined the Territorial Force Nursing Service in 1911.

Miss Foster was called out for service on 22 August, 1914, and proceeded to France on 21 September, serving there as Sister in Charge of Casualty Clearing Stations.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30725, page 65553, of 4 June, 1918):—

“For conspicuous coolness and devotion to duty when supervising the transfer of patients from a Casualty Clearing Station to an Ambulance Train while the locality* of the Casualty Clearing Station was being steadily shelled. She set a splendid example of calmness and composure.”

Miss Foster returned to England in May, 1919, on demobilization, and in addition to the Military Medal has received:—

- (a) The Bronze Star, 1914.
- (b) The Order of the Royal Red Cross, 1st Class.
- (c) The British War Medal, 1914—1919.
- (d) The “Victory” Medal, with oak-leaf emblem.
- (e) 1 red and 4 blue service chevrons.

Miss Foster was mentioned in General Sir Douglas Haig's despatch of 19 May, 1916 (*The London Gazette*, No. 29623, page 5957, of 15 June, 1916).

BROTHER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Captain L. P. FOSTER, Royal Engineers.

SISTER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Miss C. P. FOSTER, M.B.E., Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps.

*On 21 March, 1918, at Tincourt, during the advance of the German Army.



MISS M. B. STUBBS

MARY BUSHBY STUBBS.

Second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James William Hill Stubbs, was born at Durban, Natal, on 3 November, 1894, and was educated at home and in Italy.

Her service in the War commenced in 1915, when she joined a Voluntary Aid Detachment of the St. John's Ambulance, at the Manor House Hospital, Folkestone. In 1917 she enlisted in the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps, as a driver, and proceeded to France, serving on the Marne front during the *Chemin des Dames* attack in 1918. She and other Members of the Corps served officially as soldiers, working at Casualty Clearing Stations, with the 4th French Army.

The Military Medal was awarded (*The London Gazette*, No. 30959, page 12303, of 18 October, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid. Miss Stubbs was detailed to evacuate a hospital. While her car was waiting to be loaded a bomb dropped within 30 yards. The stretcher-bearers, who had been loading a car immediately in front, ran for protection to dug-outs, calling to Miss Stubbs to do the same. She, however, regardless of her own safety, stayed in the open with two wounded and helpless patients to help and reassure them. She finally got them unloaded and to a place of safety. During the unloading a second bomb fell on the hospital.”

The Medal was presented to her by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 7 November, 1919.

Miss Stubbs returned to England in September, 1919, and was then demobilized.

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Stubbs has received:—

- (a) The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- (b) The Victory Medal.
- (c) The French *Croix de Guerre* (with bronze star).
- (d) 2 blue service chevrons.

Miss Stubbs was married on 30 October, 1919, to Mr. J. K. Harvie, 3rd (King's Own) Hussars.



MISS M. G. C. FOLEY

MARY GLADYS CORRINIA FOLEY,

Third daughter of the late Edward Howley Foley, Esq., J.P., and Mrs. Foley, of Ballyard House, Tralee, Co. Kerry, was born there on 15 May, 1881, and was educated at home.

She joined Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service on 1 May, 1909, and was promoted to the rank of Sister on 18 May, 1917.

She left England on 13 August, 1914, and served in Belgium, France and Germany for $4\frac{1}{4}$ years as Sister in charge of Casualty Clearing Stations in the forward areas.

The Military Medal was awarded to her and another lady* (*The London Gazette*, No. 30471, page 725, of 11 January, 1918) :—

“For coolness and gallantry displayed in the performance of their duties when “a casualty clearing station was heavily shelled.”†

When hostilities ceased on 11 November, 1918, Miss Foley remained with the army at Turcoing, and proceeded to Cologne, in Germany, doing duty as acting Matron of 64th Casualty Clearing Station. She returned to England in July, 1919.

Her name was mentioned in Field-Marshal Sir John French's despatch of 30 November, 1915 (*The London Gazette*, No. 29422, of 1 January, 1916), and in Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's despatch of 16 March, 1919 (*The London Gazette*, No. 31446, of 10 July, 1919).

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Foley has received:—

- (a) The Bronze Star, 1914.
- (b) The Order of the Royal Red Cross, (2nd Class).
- (c) “ ” “ ” (1st Class).
- (d) The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- (e) The “Victory” Medal, with oak leaf emblem.
- (f) 1 red and 4 blue service chevrons.

She was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (Military Division), in 1919 (*The London Gazette*, No. 31370, page 6799, of 3 June, 1919).

The Order of the British Empire, of the Royal Red Cross (1st class), and the Military Medal were presented to Miss Foley by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 18 November, 1919.

BROTHER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Major P. T. FOLEY, O.B.E., Royal Munster Fusiliers.

* Miss Mabel Jennings.

† At Bethune, on 11 December, 1917.



MISS D. A. LAUGHTON

DOROTHY ANN LAUGHTON.

Third daughter of the late Sir John Knox Laughton, Kt., Royal Navy, was born at Greenwich, and was educated privately, at the Notting Hill High School, and at the Ursuline Convent, Montaign, Belgium. Her training as a Nurse was carried out in St. Thomas's Hospital, London.

She joined the Territorial Force Nursing Service in November, 1909.

She was called up for service in August, 1914, and proceeded to France in the following October, where she remained for more than 3 years serving in various Hospitals, (Boulogne, Bailleul, Camiers, etc.), and was Sister in Charge of No. 57 Casualty Clearing Station from May to November, 1917, when she went to England on special leave for 10 months, doing duty afterwards in the 1st Eastern General Hospital until March, 1919.

The award of the Military Medal was announced in *The London Gazette*, No. 30389, page 11961, of 19 November, 1917.

The "event" for which it was awarded was as here follows:—

"On the night of the 19th August, 1917, the Asylum at St. Venant, which is in part used as a Casualty Clearing Station, was hit by five bombs dropped by an enemy aeroplane; 5 female lunatics were killed or died of wounds and 15 injured. Miss Laughton in spite of being knocked over by the blast of a bursting bomb, behaved with the utmost coolness and it was mainly by her example and presence of mind, amidst the maniacal chaos, that order was restored, and that the wounded were speedily attended to when extracted from the ruins."

Miss Laughton's name was mentioned in Field Marshal Sir John French's despatch of 30 November, 1915 (*The London Gazette*, No. 29422 of 1 January, 1916), and in addition to the Military Medal, she has:—

- (a) The Bronze Star, 1914.
- (b) The Order of the Royal Red Cross, 1st Class.
- (c) The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- (d) The Victory Medal, with oak-leaf emblem.
- (e) 1 red and 3 blue service chevrons.

STEP-BROTHERS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE WAR.

Captain F. E. LAUGHTON, M.C., 4th Battalion (T.), The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders.

Lieutenant J. K. LAUGHTON, Royal Navy.

Lieutenant H. LAUGHTON, The Worcestershire Regiment.*

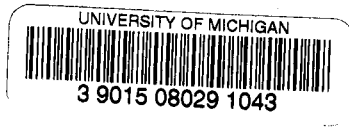
STEP-SISTER WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Miss VERA LAUGHTON, C.B.E., Principal, Women's Royal Naval Service.

* Was slightly wounded and in Epsom Military Hospital, where he died in November, 1918, from influenza.



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Ladies to whom the Military Medal has been awarded and who have not yet furnished particulars of their service, etc., for this Roll, are requested to communicate, without delay, with

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Melbourne Avenue, Sheffield.

LUCIE MAUD MARY TOLLER,

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pancoust Swannell Toller, was born at Denny Abbey, Waterbeach, Cambs., and was educated at home and at Cambridge.

She was appointed to Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service on 7 July, 1904, in which she has served continuously ever since.

Miss Toller went to France in August, 1914, and has served abroad at various Hospitals, etc., during the whole period of the War—since January, 1917, as Matron. She returned to England in February, 1919.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid*. When the “Sisters’ quarters were wrecked and nurses wounded, Sister Toller collected the “staff and placed them in comparative safety. By her fine example she undoubtedly saved life.”

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Toller has:—

- a. The Bronze Star, 1914, with clasp.
- b. The Order of the Royal Red Cross, 1st Class.
- c. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- d. The Victory Medal, with oak leaf emblem.
- e. Médaille des Épidémies en Vermeil.
- f. 1 red and 4 blue service chevrons.

Miss Toller's name was mentioned in Field-Marshal Sir John French's despatch of 30 November, 1915 (*The London Gazette*, No. 29422, of 1 January, 1916).

*At Etaples, in the night of 30-31 May, 1918.



MISS E. B. CALLANDER

ELIZABETH BEVERIDGE CALLANDER,

Youngest daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. C. Callander, was born at Galashiels, on 28 January, 1887, and was educated at an English School in Dresden.

She joined the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps in July, 1917, as a Driver of Motor Cars, and went out to France in the following December, being then attached to the St. Omer convoy.

The Military Medal was awarded to her with 6 other ladies* (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For conspicuous devotion to duty during an hostile air raid.† All these lady drivers were out with their cars during the raid, picking up and in every way assisting the wounded and injured. They showed great bravery and coolness, and were an example to all ranks.”

The Military Medal was presented to her by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 11 February, 1919.

Miss Callander will also receive:—

- a. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- b. The Victory Medal.

* Miss E. A. Courtis. Miss M. O'Connell Bianconi.
Miss H. M. Dickinson. Miss M. Richardson.
Miss W. M. Elwes. Miss M. A. Thompson.

They all belonged to the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps.

† At St. Omer, on 26 June, 1918.



MISS E. G. CARTLEDGE

ETHEL GRACE CARTLEDGE,

was born in Manchester on 30 May, 1896.

She joined Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps in November, 1917, proceeding to France in the following month, there serving as Forewoman Clerk at St. Omer and Mautort, leaving the former place during the German offensive of 1918.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30959, page 12303, of 19 October, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid*. She was “of the greatest assistance in keeping the workers steady. Although both her “shoes were blown off during the explosion, Forewoman Cartledge continued to “carry out her duties after being wounded in the foot by some fallen wreckage.”

The Military Medal was presented to her by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, on 22 February, 1919.

Miss Cartledge returned to England in June, 1919, and was then demobilised.

In addition to the Military Medal Miss Cartledge has:—

- a. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- b. The Victory Medal.
- c. One wound stripe.
- d. Two blue service chevrons.

* At Mautort, on night of 29-30 May, 1918.



MISS L. A. FORSE

LILIAN AUDREY FORSE,

Youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward John Forse, of Treberfydd, Englefield Green, Surrey, was born there on 9 November, 1883. She was educated at home.

She joined a Voluntary Aid Detachment (British Red Cross Society), on 25 September, 1916, and went to France on 23 April, 1917.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30725, page 6553, of 4 June, 1918) :—

“For courage and devotion to duty displayed when during an hostile air raid* a bomb fell on the hospital marquee of which she was in charge. Although great damage was done and many patients injured, she showed admirable coolness in the performance of her duties throughout, and carried on as if “nothing had happened.”

It was presented to her by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 10 April, 1919.

Miss Forse was demobilized in April, 1919. She has 3 blue service chevrons, and in addition to the Military Medal, will receive :—

- a. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- b. The Victory Medal.

Since demobilization she has served in Serbia, at Vranja and Belgrade, with the Scottish Women's Hospital, and is now (June, 1920) nursing in the Anglo-Serbian Children's Hospital, Belgrade.

She was awarded the Special Service Cross of the British Red Cross Society, in October, 1919.

BROTHERS WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Corporal CLAUDE RAMON FORSE, Royal Garrison Artillery. Wounded in action at Hazebruick, 29 April, 1918, dying 3 hours later, on 30 April.

The Rev. LESLIE NAPIER FORSE†, Chaplain to the Forces (Church of England), 4th class.

* On 23 March, 1918, at Wimereux—53rd General Hospital.

† He was taken prisoner by the enemy at Givenchy, on 9 April, 1918, and released on 26 October, 1918.



MISS M. D. MARSHALL

MARY DEVAS MARSHALL,

Elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marshall, of 31 The Waldrons, Croydon, was born there on 29 July, 1893, and was educated at Croham Hurst School, Croydon.

She joined the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps in November, 1912, and on 27 October, 1914, went to France, and until 1916 served on the Nursing Staff of a hospital in Calais—the doctors and orderlies being Belgians, and the Nursing Staff English, supplied by the F.A.N.Y. Corps, by which Corps the hospital was equipped.

The hospital was closed in November, 1916, and Miss Marshall was then transferred to a French Red Cross Hospital at Port à Binson, near Epernay, the Nursing Staff of which was provided from the F.A.N.Y. Corps.

In January, 1918, she was transferred to the Convoy at Calais working with British Red Cross Society, and was on detached duty at Marquise with the Royal Air Force, where she worked in the Detention Hospital, until demobilization in 1919.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 31028, page 13889 of 25 November, 1918):—

“For gallantry and coolness during a bombing raid* by hostile aircraft. After “the first bomb had fallen Miss Marshall rallied the medical orderlies, who had “become temporarily disorganised. Throughout the raid, in exceedingly trying “and dangerous circumstances, she displayed the utmost disregard of danger, “attending many serious wound cases which required skilful and immediate assist- “ance. Although a number of bombs fell within 50 yards of the hospital, she “remained at work throughout the whole raid.”

The Military Medal was presented to her by His Majesty the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 22 March, 1919.

In addition to the Military Medal, Miss Marshall has:—

- a. The Bronze Star, 1914-15.
- b. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- c. The Victory Medal.
- d. The Belgian Croix Civique, 2nd Class.
- e. Médaille de la Reine Elisabeth—Belgium.
- f. The French Red Cross Médaille de Reconnaissance.
- g. 1 red and 4 blue service chevrons.

Miss Marshall remained in France after the Armistice (1918), driving cars for the Government, with the Imperial War Graves Commission at St. Omer, and afterwards with the Army, as a civilian driver, at St. Pol.

Her service terminated in March, 1920.

BROTHER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Major R. B. MARSHALL, East Surrey Regiment. Died of wounds received in action near Kapasalga, N. Russia, 14 September, 1919.

SISTER WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Miss M. L. MARSHALL, First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps, as Driver.

* On 23 September, 1918, at Marquise.



MISS S. D. MUNROE

SUSAN DEVERELL MUNROE,

Fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Munroe, of Alness, Ross-shire, was born at Kinloch Tongue, Sutherlandshire, was educated at the Durness Higher Grade School, and was trained as a Nurse at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, afterwards serving at Dalmeny House hospital.

She joined Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (Reserve) in 1916, and proceeded to France in March of that year, there serving at various hospitals (Rouen, No. 5 Casualty Clearing Station, and Etaples) as Staff Nurse.

The Military Medal was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy air raid,* which wrecked three of her wards. She showed coolness and contempt of danger and “a solicitude for her patients which was invaluable.”

It was presented to her by H.M. the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, on 10 December, 1919.

Miss Munroe returned to England in July, 1919, and was then demobilized.

In addition to the Military Medal Miss Munroe has:—

- a. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- b. The Victory Medal.
- c. 4 blue service chevrons.

BROTHERS WHO SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Lieutenant A. H. MUNROE, 1st Canadian Tank Battalion.

Cadet D. T. MUNROE, Canadian Royal Air Force.

* At Etaples, France, on 20 May, 1918.



MISS C. L. A. ROBINSON

CHARLOTTE LILIAN ANNE ROBINSON.

Youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Murray Robinson was born at Shanghai, and was educated at Ravenswood (private school), Kent, at the High School, Oxford, and was trained in nursing at St. George's hospital, London.

She joined Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service in October, 1912, and was promoted to the rank of Sister on 21 October, 1917.

She went out to France on 13 August, 1914, with No. 2 General Hospital, and served there in various hospitals and Casualty Clearing Stations with the 5th and 2nd Armies.

The Military Medal* was awarded to her (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 8999, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For conspicuous devotion to duty and courage when a stationary hospital was struck by four bombs from an enemy aeroplane and one wing was practically cut in two, many patients being buried in the debris. Sister Robinson at very great personal risk went in amongst the ruins to assist in recovering the patients, quite regardless of danger, her one thought being the rescue of the patients. She displayed magnificent coolness and resource.”

In *The London Gazette* her second and third Christian names are wrongly spelled—“Lillian Annie.”

Miss Robinson returned to England in May, 1919. Since January, 1920, she has been serving in Mesopotamia.

In addition to the Military Medal she has received:—

- a. The Bronze Star, 1914.
- b. The Order of the Royal Red Cross (2nd Class).
- c. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- d. The Victory Medal.
- e. 1 red and 4 blue service chevrons.

SISTER WHO SERVED IN THE WAR.

Miss A. M. ROBINSON, Unit Administrator, Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps.

* The Medal was presented to her in the field (at Blenherques), in June, 1918, by General Sir Herbert Plumer, then in command of the 2nd Army.



MISS M. A. THOMPSON

MURIEL A. THOMPSON,

Only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Thompson, was born at Aberdeen, and was educated at the Blackheath High School, and in Hanover.

She joined the First Aid Nursing Yeomanry Corps in December, 1914, proceeded to France on 8 February, 1915, there serving with a Motor Ambulance Convoy at Calais, and later at St. Omer, until September 1918, when she returned to England.

The Military Medal was awarded to her, with 6 other ladies,* all belonging to the F.A.N.Y. Corps (*The London Gazette*, No. 30820, page 9000, of 30 July, 1918):—

“For conspicuous devotion to duty during an hostile air raid.† All these “lady drivers were out with their cars during the raid, picking up and in every way assisting the wounded and injured. They showed great bravery and coolness, and were an example to all ranks.”

Miss Thompson returned to England in September, 1918, and on 1 October joined the Women's Royal Air Force as Recruiting Officer, in which she served until 1 October, 1919, when she was demobilized.

The Military Medal was presented to her by H.M. the King, at Buckingham Palace, London, in October, 1918.

In addition to this Medal Miss Thompson has received:—

- a. The Bronze Star, 1914-1915.
- b. The British War Medal, 1914-1919.
- c. The Victory Medal—with oak-leaf emblem.
- d. The Order of Leopold II.—Belgium.‡
- e. The French *Croix de Guerre*.
- f. 4 blue service chevrons.

Miss Thompson's name was mentioned in Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's despatch of 9 April, 1917 (*The London Gazette*, No. 30101, page 5323, of 29 May, 1917).

* Miss E. B. Callander. Miss W. M. Elwes.
Miss E. A. Courtis. Miss M. O'Connell Bianconi.
Miss H. M. Dickinson. Miss M. Richardson.

† At St. Omer, on 18 May, 1918.

‡ Presented by H.M. King Albert, at La Panne, on 20 March, 1915.



MISS M. O'CONNELL BIANCONI

