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War Office, 9th September 1916.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men:—

Temp. Maj. Stewart Walter Loudoun-Shand, late York. R.

For most conspicuous bravery. When his company attempted to climb over the parapet to attack the enemy's trenches, they were met by very fierce machine gun fire, which temporarily stopped their progress. Maj. Loudoun-Shand immediately leapt on the parapet, helped the men over it and encouraged them in every way until he fell mortally wounded.

Even then he insisted on being propped up in the trench, and went on encouraging the non-commissioned officers and men until he died.

Capt. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Adrian Carton de Wiart, D.S.O., Dn. Gds.

For most conspicuous bravery, coolness and determination during severe operations of a prolonged nature. It was owing in a great measure to his dauntless courage and inspiring example that a serious reverse wasaverted.

He displayed the utmost energy and courage in forcing our attack home. After three other battalion Commanders had become casualties, he controlled their commands, and ensured that the ground won was maintained at all costs.

He frequently exposed himself in the organisation of positions and of supplies, passing unflinchingly through fire barrage of the most intense nature.

His gallantry was inspiring to all.

Temp. Lt. Geoffrey St. George Shillington Cather, late R. Ir. Fus.

For most conspicuous bravery. From 7 p.m. till midnight he searched "No Man's Land," and brought in three wounded men.

Next morning at 8 a.m. he continued his search, brought in another wounded man, and gave water to others, arranging for their rescue later. Finally, at 10.30 a.m., he took out water to another man, and was proceeding further on when he was himself killed.

All this was carried out in full view of the enemy, and under direct machine gun fire and intermittent artillery fire.

He set a splendid example of courage and self-sacrifice.