

William I. Farquharson.  
 Geoffrey F. Dixon.  
 Charles F. W. Norris.  
 Robert St. V. Sherbrooke.  
 Ronald W. Miller.  
 Herbert E. Pretyman.  
 William G. L. Cooper.  
 Cyril F. Loveless.  
 Thomas R. G. Usborne.  
 Ian M. N. Mudie.  
 George S. M. Pollock.  
 John P. Stares.  
 Niall O'B. Griffin.  
 John de B. Wailes.  
 Charles W. G. Coventry.  
 Thomas F. H. Parkinson.  
 Vernon E. B. Nicholson.  
 Douglas V. Jago.  
 Cecil N. Adams.

15th July 1919.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Hertford.*

Rear-Admiral the Honourable Sir Hubert George Brand, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., to be a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Hertford.

Dated the 26th day of June, 1919.

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*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Hertford.*

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel (Temporary Brigadier-General) Wilfrid Keith Evans, C.M.G., D.S.O., to be a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Hertford.

Dated the 30th day of June, 1919.

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*Commission signed by the Right Honourable Anthony, Earl of Shaftesbury, K.P., K.C.V.O., Lord Lieutenant for the County of Dorset.*

Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honourable Philip George, Lord Wynford, D.S.O., to be a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Dorset.

Dated 11th July, 1919.

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*Air Ministry,  
 Hotel Cecil, Strand, W.C. 2.,  
 18th July, 1919.*

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to the late Captain (acting Major) Edward Mannock, D.S.O., M.C., 85th Squadron Royal Air Force, in recognition of bravery of the first order in Aerial Combat:—

On the 17th June, 1918, he attacked a Halberstadt machine near Armentieres and destroyed it from a height of 8,000 feet.

On the 7th July, 1918, near Doulieu, he attacked and destroyed one Fokker (red-bodied) machine, which went vertically into the ground from a height of 1,500 feet. Shortly afterwards he ascended 1,000 feet and attacked another Fokker biplane, firing 60 rounds into it, which

produced an immediate spin, resulting, it is believed, in a crash.

On the 14th July, 1918, near Merville, he attacked and crashed a Fokker from 7,000 feet, and brought a two-seater down damaged.

On the 19th July, 1918, near Merville, he fired 80 rounds into an Albatross two-seater, which went to the ground in flames.

On the 20th July, 1918, East of La Bassee, he attacked and crashed an enemy two-seater from a height of 10,000 feet.

About an hour afterwards he attacked at 8,000 feet a Fokker biplane near Steenwercke and drove it down out of control, emitting smoke.

On the 22nd July, 1918, near Armentieres, he destroyed an enemy triplane from a height of 10,000 feet.

Major Mannock was awarded the undermentioned distinctions for his previous combats in the air in France and Flanders:—

Military Cross. Gazetted 17th September, 1917.

Bar to Military Cross. Gazetted 18th October, 1917.

Distinguished Service Order. Gazetted 16th September, 1918.

Bar to Distinguished Service Order (1st). Gazetted 16th September, 1918.

Bar to Distinguished Service Order (2nd). Gazetted 3rd August, 1918.

This highly distinguished officer, during the whole of his career in the Royal Air Force, was an outstanding example of fearless courage, remarkable skill, devotion to duty and self-sacrifice, which has never been surpassed.

The total number of machines definitely accounted for by Major Mannock up to the date of his death in France (26th July, 1918) is fifty—the total specified in the Gazette of 3rd August, 1918, was incorrectly given as 48, instead of 41.

*Air Ministry,  
 18th July, 1919.*

#### AIR NAVIGATION.

ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE DATED 18TH JULY, 1919, UNDER THE AIR NAVIGATION ACTS, 1911 TO 1919.

In pursuance of the power conferred upon me by the Air Navigation Acts, 1911 to 1919, I hereby make the following Order for the purpose of protecting the public from danger:—

I prohibit the navigation of all aircraft from midnight, July 18th/19th, to midnight, July 19th/20th, 1919, over so much of the County of London as lies within a circle the centre of which is Charing Cross and of which the circumference is described by a radius of four miles in length.

*W. S. Churchill,  
 One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.*

*Air Ministry,  
 18th July, 1919.*

#### ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The undermentioned temporary appointment is made at the Air Ministry:—

*Staff Officer, 3rd Class.*

(P.)  
 Lt. (actg. Capt.) D. F. Cox, 19th Feb. 1919, and to retain the actg. rank of Capt. till 30th Apr. 1919.