

A BRILLIANT FLIER.

SON OF A WELL-KNOWN
SHANGHAI MAN.

Captain J. E. L. Hunter, R.A.F. son of Mr H. E. R. Hunter and nephew of Mr Ellis L. Hunter of the Shanghai Stock Exchange, has been promoted to the rank of Flight Commander in recognition of the splendid work he has performed in France. The following is a brief record of his military career, of which his parents, relatives, and many friends may be justly proud:—

Began training for the R.N.A.S. on October 1, 1916; active service, sub-Lieutenant July 7, 1917, and about two months later he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross "in recognition of his services with a Wing of the R.N.A.S. at Dunkirk between July and September, 1917, during which time he carried out continuous work on defensive patrols." On September 22, 1917, he destroyed two enemy aircraft which were attempting to interfere with our spotting machines.

He was promoted full lieutenant in January, 1918. Some time since then the R. N. A. S. and R. F. C. were amalgamated into the Royal Air Force at which time Mr Hunter received his captaincy.

Between July, 1917, and May, 1918, Flight Commander Hunter has to his record no less than 16 Hun machines. We wish him good luck and many congratulations. He is only 21 years of age, and his one year's work "somewhere in France" is a fine example of what "our boys in the air" are doing for their King and country