

artillery fire during the 16th, 17th, and 18th May.

Captain Hugh Barrington Brown, 1st Battalion, The Leicestershire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry and good service in the trenches at Hooze between 2nd and 5th August 1915, when in charge of a Brigade bombing party. He got his party up to the trenches by day under shell fire, and remained in them three days during a heavy bombardment. All his bombs were exploded by shell fire and his party was several times buried and had to be dug out.

He has brought his Battalion bombers to a high state of efficiency.

Captain Alfred Leonard Forster, Royal Marine Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry on 16th June 1915, near Zillebeke. During an attack, when two Companies of an Infantry Regiment were crossing some open ground, heavy shrapnel fire was opened on them, 3 being killed and 10 wounded. Captain Forster, with Corporal Stone, of the Royal Marine Artillery, who volunteered, went out under heavy shrapnel fire, and brought the wounded into shelter.

Captain Forster has on many occasions showed the highest qualities of an Officer when fearlessness and good judgment were essential to success.

Captain Philip Lewis Hanbury, The King's (Shropshire Light Infantry).

For consistent good work as Brigade Major during the first four months of 1915, notably at St. Eloi during the attacks of 14th and 15th February and 14th and 15th March.

Captain William Clay Hepburn, 1st Battalion, Monmouthshire Regiment, Territorial Force, attached 172nd Company, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous energy and good work near Ypres on 12th July 1915. After the enemy had exploded a mine just short of our parapet, a gallery was driven out to protect the trench and the enemy's mine was struck. It was found to contain a charge of about 1350 lb. of explosive, some detonators, and part of the main electric firing lead. These were successfully withdrawn by the united efforts of Captain Hepburn and 2 Officers and 4 men working under him.

Captain Kingsmill Williams Jones, M.D., Royal Army Medical Corps (Special Reserve), attached 1st Battalion, East Kent Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Hooze. During the entire night of 9th-10th August 1915, and the whole of the following day and night, he was attending to and evacuating wounded from the front trenches, time after time exposing himself to shell and rifle fire. He was twice slightly wounded, but stuck to his work with unflagging energy. It was entirely owing to Captain Jones that the crater was successfully evacuated of wounded.

Captain Harold Payne Philby, 2nd Battalion, The York and Lancaster Regiment.

For conspicuous and consistent good service throughout the campaign, notably during the fighting at Hooze of 9th August 1915, when with the greatest coolness and energy he frequently visited all portions of the firing line under heavy shell fire, and personally supervised the dispatch of reinforcements, bombs, &c.

Temporary Captain Arthur Charles Sheepshanks, 8th Battalion, The Rifle Brigade (The Prince Consort's Own).

For conspicuous gallantry in a counter-attack on 30th July 1915, when he continued to advance with his Company till only he and 6 riflemen were left standing. He then checked a bomb attack by the enemy, and held on to his trench till late in the evening. He was wounded in the head early in the day, but returned to duty with his Company after the wound had been dressed.

Captain Clifton Inglis Stockwell, 1st Battalion, The Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

For conspicuous gallantry and ability at Festubert on 16th May 1915, when he led his Company in an attack on the German trenches. After his Company had lost heavily he reorganised it, collected men of other units, and made two further successful advances.

It was largely due to his gallant and capable leading that the troops succeeded in establishing the line so far forward.

Captain Arnold Geoffrey Turner, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Hooze on 9th August 1915. After leading 2 sections and 6 blocking parties of his Company through the first line under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire he immediately put out wire in front of the captured position. When the senior Infantry Officers were killed or wounded, Captain Turner assumed command of the whole party in his vicinity, and proceeded to consolidate the position, continuing to do so after being wounded till incapacitated by loss of blood.

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His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Military Cross on the undermentioned Officers, in recognition of their gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field:—

Captain Alfred Edward Cecil Cart de Lafontaine, 1st Battalion, The East Yorkshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry and coolness during the attack on Hooze on 9th August 1915, when he reorganised portions of several companies and led them back to their original positions under heavy shell fire.