

rially assist in the successful withdrawal of the division, a detached platoon of his destroying a party of the enemy with the bayonet. His fine leading and skilful handling converted his slightly trained men into a highly competent infantry battalion. (D.S.O. gazetted 1st January, 1918.)

T./Lt.-Cmdr. Archibald Walter Buckle, D.S.O., R.N.D., R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a battalion. He repelled the enemy's attack, organised a counter-attack, and drove the enemy completely out of the menaced area. It was largely due to his courage, initiative and leadership that this important success was obtained.

(D.S.O. gazetted 4th March, 1918.)

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. Alfred Burt, D.S.O., Dn. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack, when, although his left flank was exposed, and the enemy well in his rear, by his personal courage and example he so cheered and inspired his men, that he was able to keep his portion of the defence intact, and inflict severe casualties on the enemy.

(D.S.O. gazetted 18th June, 1917.)

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Francis Casement, D.S.O., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when he evacuated all the wounded and saved a large quantity of surgical material, blankets and stretchers during a long retirement. His courage, coolness and resource were most marked during the whole of this trying period.

(D.S.O. gazetted 4th June, 1917.)

Maj. the Hon. Arthur George Child-Villiers, D.S.O., Yeo.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his squadron dismounted in a counter-attack with remarkable skill and daring. Although wounded in the leg he refused to be evacuated to the dressing station, but continued to lead his men, and sent back valuable information as to the situation, although in great pain. He set a splendid example of coolness and endurance.

(D.S.O. gazetted 18th July, 1917.)

Lt.-Col. and Bt. Col. (T./Brig.-Gen.) Clifford Coffin, V.C., D.S.O., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a long period of active operations, when he handled his brigade with great skill, especially when covering the withdrawal of the remainder of the division. On one occasion he commanded for a time the infantry of the division with marked success, and his personal courage and example at all times inspired all ranks with him.

(D.S.O. gazetted 1st January, 1917.)

Capt. and Bt. Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) Sir Ian Colquhoun, Bt., D.S.O., Scots Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to

duty. He commanded his battalion in a most capable manner throughout six days' critical fighting. When reconnoitring in front of a village with six men, he met an enemy patrol, three of whom he killed with his revolver, being slightly wounded himself. (D.S.O. gazetted 20th October, 1916.)

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Dudley Stuart Collins, D.S.O., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During recent operations he rendered most valuable services in collecting details and organising defences. Finding the main dressing station closed, he reopened it and kept it working until the arrival of the Cavalry Field Ambulance. He was always on the spot, and throughout the operations showed great initiative and presence of mind.

(D.S.O. gazetted 3rd June, 1916.)

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. (T./Lt.-Col.) Hugh Marjoriebanks Craigie-Halkett, D.S.O., High. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of his battalion during lengthy operations, and in the most desperate fighting. At one time he led the battalion forward to reinforce the corps' line, and it was entirely due to his splendid courage and example that the battalion, although much reduced in numbers, was able to hold back the enemy, and inflict very heavy casualties.

(D.S.O. gazetted 1st January, 1918.)

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) William Anderson Watson Crellin, D.S.O., Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised and led a counter-attack, which restored the situation. He held the position until ordered to withdraw, by which time two companies had almost ceased to exist. With the remainder he carried on continuous fighting until he took over command of the brigade. Throughout the operations he showed great skill and unflinching cheerfulness, and was always on the spot whenever the situation became critical.

(D.S.O. gazetted 4th June, 1917.)

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Malby Crofton, D.S.O., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst he was in close proximity to the batteries of another brigade during a withdrawal, a party of the enemy suddenly appeared in view on the crest near by, whereupon he immediately ordered the guns to be brought into action. The guns, however, were involved in very bad ground, and despite his personal efforts to attempt to manhandle each gun in turn into action, they all became bogged in shell-holes. He then proceeded towards the enemy in order to discover the exact nature of the situation, after which he himself withdrew, having satisfied himself that each gun had been rendered useless. During the whole day his skilful dispositions, imperturbable bearing, and personal efforts and encouragement inspired all ranks in the highest degree.

(D.S.O. gazetted 14th January, 1916.)