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Lt. (A./Capt.) Donald Nicholson, M.C., Shrops. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a heavy attack by the enemy he moved his company up to obtain communication by means of a bridge over the canal with a brigade on his right. He held the bridge for three days, although subjected to heavy attacks. Both his flanks were much exposed, and it was only by determined leadership that he frustrated the enemy's intentions.

(M.C. gazetted in this Gazette.)

T./Capt. Richard Le Brun Nicholson, M.C., Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his company was holding a sunken road, the enemy penetrated his right flank. He immediately organised a defensive flank, and held on to his position for several hours against repeated attacks accompanied by very heavy machine-gun fire, until ordered to withdraw. He withdrew his company intact under cover of his Lewis gunners, with very few casualties. He showed powers of command of a high order.

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2nd Lt. James Moir Paterson, M.C., R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in establishing an observation post and maintaining it throughout the day under an intense shell fire, when all the signallers were either killed or wounded. The information which he sent back to the brigade was of the utmost value.

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T./Capt. James Hunter Patrick, M.C., K.O.S.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the situation was obscure he went forward under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and brought back valuable information to his Commanding Officer. His work throughout the day was of the greatest value and his personal disregard of danger an example to all.

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T./Capt. Arthur Hicks Peck, D.S.O., M.C., R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While patrolling at a height of 14,000 ft. he observed a formation of five enemy aircraft attempting a reconnaissance. He attacked the top machine, a scout, and drove it down out of control. He then attacked the second scout, which he also drove down out of control. He finally attacked a two-seater, and so quickly that he got to close quarters and opened fire with both guns. That, too, he sent down out of control. His performance was a splendid one, besides being costly for the enemy.

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Capt. (A./Maj.) Claude Quayle Lewis Penrose, M.C., R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried out special reconnais-

sances on three or four occasions, bringing back accurate and valuable information as to the situation. He also withdrew three of his guns successfully under heavy shell fire. Throughout the withdrawal he behaved in a most gallant manner.

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T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Geoffrey Phillips, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as Liaison Officer with an Infantry Brigade. His courage, coolness and initiative under heavy shell fire were largely instrumental in bringing effective fire to bear on the advancing enemy, and the success gained by the division was mainly due to his efforts.

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Lt. (T./Capt.) Edmond Robert Harris Pollak, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in reconnaissance work and during a fight lasting three and a half hours. Throughout, he scarcely flew at a height greater than 200 feet; he attacked enemy infantry and dropped messages on our batteries which enabled them to shoot with good effect on the enemy as they advanced; he also shot down one machine out of control. On return to the aerodrome it was found that his own machine was riddled with bullets.

(M.C. gazetted 22nd April, 1918.)

Capt. Charles Henry Potter, M.C., Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. By sheer determination and force of example he inspired such confidence in his company that they were able at a critical moment to repel a very heavy hostile attack, and later, he led them, with the greatest courage and skill, in a successful counter-attack.

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2nd Lt. William Prior, M.C., Mdx. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of troops at a bridge-head. Although wounded he continued at his post, and when both his Lewis guns were out of action, he stood up and repaired them himself under very heavy fire, being again severely wounded while so doing. The delay gained by his most gallant defence materially contributed to the successful defence of another bridge until dusk.

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T./Lt. (A./Maj.) John Alfred Pym, M.C., R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer directed the fire of his battery from a forward observation post when the enemy were making a determined attack. Although wounded in the neck and face, and under very heavy fire, he continued to send back information.

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T./Sub-Lt. Basil Bedsmore Rackham, M.C., R.N.D., R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although suffering from the effects of