

agement to his men, and inspired them to a further determined resistance until a withdrawal was ordered.

Capt. George Albert Brett, M.C., Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of the right flank of the battalion. He repulsed several strong enemy attacks, organised a counter-attack, and drove the enemy out of a portion of the front in which he had gained a footing. When the troops on his right were forced back he formed a defensive flank and held the position till ordered to withdraw. He remained with the rearguard and covered the withdrawal of the battalion in a masterly manner. His coolness and ability greatly helped in saving a critical situation and inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

Maj. John Lionel Romilly Carey, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. By his example and skilful work he kept his battery in action whilst heavily shelled and gassed. He sent back much invaluable information of the progress of the enemy attack.

Maj. Eric Edmonstone Charles, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his battery in action throughout the day in spite of constant and heavy shell fire. He was out of communication with brigade headquarters for practically the entire day, and the valuable work done by his battery was entirely due to his initiative.

Lt. (T./Maj.) Charles Alfred Clark, M.C., E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during five days whilst commanding his battalion. He fought his battalion most gallantly against great odds till the great majority were killed and the remainder captured. He was himself severely wounded.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Colin Reith Coote, M.P., Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. By his personal example and coolness he held his men together during a critical period and personally led two counter-attacks, inflicting considerable casualties and thus staying the enemy's advance and enabling the situation to be reorganised. He did very fine service.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Reginald Arthur Corsan, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the enemy broke through and advanced on the flank of the battery position. He withdrew the personnel, covering the retirement with rifle fire, and from a new position held up the enemy till driven out by close machine-gun fire. He then assisted to get the guns of another battery into action. The whole of the time, some fourteen hours, he was under machine-gun and rifle fire at close range, in addition to a heavy gas

and high explosive bombardment. His courage and leadership at a most critical period were splendid.

Capt. (T./Maj. and A./Lt.-Col.) William Wallace Smith Cunninghame, Life Gds., attd. Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the left flank of the battalion was badly enfiladed and driven off the plateau, he rode into the valley in face of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire and rallied the men. Then, with the assistance of two other companies, he personally led an assault and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, while his horse was shot under him, and he continued to lead on foot. Owing, however, to weakness in numbers, the battalion made no headway, whereupon he again reorganised and led a counter-attack, which was quite successful, and enabled his men to dig in on the top of the plateau. He was shortly after wounded, but his courage and capabilities undoubtedly saved the situation.

2nd Lt. Frank Davis, S. Staff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the left flank of the battalion was in the air, with the enemy working round in great strength, he kept his men steady, and by his coolness enabled an orderly withdrawal to be effected. Shortly afterwards, when the battalion was almost surrounded, he formed a rearguard with the remaining men of his company, and by skilful leadership of his men enabled the remainder of the battalion to withdraw successfully. Next day he hung on to an important position with great ability and resolution, though losing many men from heavy shell fire and being wounded himself. Throughout these two days' fighting his personal courage was most marked, and his skilful handling of his men saved the battalion on two occasions.

T./Maj. William Henry George Goater, M.C., Yorks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of two companies during an enemy attack. He personally led two platoons forward and checked the enemy working round his left flank, and later, when overwhelmed, withdrew his companies most skilfully. Next day he went forward alone under heavy fire and reconnoitred a position, and then returned and led forward a Lewis gun section to a position from which they could check the enemy's advance. He showed throughout great coolness, and set a fine example to his men.

T./Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Henry Wood Gush, M.C., North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His battalion was in reserve at the commencement of operations, and was moved up early in the morning to support the line. This line was maintained till the evening, when it was practically surrounded; he then withdrew his command with the utmost skill and coolness from a difficult position. Next day he covered the withdrawal of the brigade, maintaining his position for several hours under heavy shell and machine-gun fire. The steadiness of the