

and his company took over 100 prisoners and three machine guns, and were responsible for about 50 killed and wounded of the enemy. He did splendid work.

Lt. Laurence Holbech, M.C., G. Gds. (Spec. Res.), attd. 2nd Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership during the night attack between St. Python and Vertain, on 20th October, 1918. He was in command of the right leading company of the battalion, and gained his objectives. On one occasion he got round a large part of the enemy, charged them with the bayonet from the rear, and cleared the way for the advance. He showed fearless and able leadership throughout.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Percy Albert Hope, 11th Bn., R. Fus.

For marked gallantry and determined leadership on 4th November, 1918, near Preux-au-Bois. He commanded a composite company composed of the remains of two companies in the attack. Although held up by machine-gun nests and the breakdown of the tank which was to deal with them at the commencement of the attack, he eventually succeeded in breaking through with some twenty men. Without waiting for the remainder, he at once pushed on with such effect that he succeeded in clearing up the whole area, capturing over twenty machine guns and some 200 prisoners, including five officers. He did fine work.

T./Lt.-Col. Noel Baring Hudson, M.C., 8th Bn., R. Berks R.

For consistent gallantry and able leadership, particularly on 8th August, 1918, south of Morlancourt, when he personally led his battalion forward to the attack through heavy fog and intense shell and machine-gun fire. When they were held up by machine guns he pushed forward alone, knocking out one machine gun and getting wounded in doing so. In spite of this, he rushed two other machine guns which were holding up the advance, and continued to lead his battalion forward until he was again seriously wounded by machine-gun fire in three places. He showed splendid courage and determination.

Capt. Mansel Halket Jackson, M.C., 29th Lrs., I.A. (EGYPT)

On the 23rd September, 1918, while his brigade was advancing down the right bank of the Jordan from Baisan towards Jisr ed Damie, the advanced guard was held up by a large enemy detachment. After a personal reconnaissance of the enemy formation, Capt. Jackson made a wide outflanking movement round the enemy's left, then charging home, under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, he succeeded in capturing the position held by about 1,000 infantry, eighteen machine guns and twelve automatic rifles. Capt. Jackson led the charge and behaved with most conspicuous personal gallantry, and handled his detachment throughout with great skill and coolness. The captures included a Divisional General.

T./Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Robert Fordyce Ker, M.C., 6th Bn., K.O.S.B.

At Vichte, on 22nd October, 1918, while commanding his battalion in support of another, he cleared the village of machine gunners and any remaining enemy. Later, he captured Hill 50 with great gallantry and tactical ability. Throughout he displayed great coolness and a thorough grasp of an awkward situation.

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) George William King, M.C., C/160th Bde., R.F.A.

On 31st October, 1918, during the operations near Anseghem, he had a forward section of 18-pounders working in close support of the infantry. He went forward himself and directed the fire of this section on an enemy 7.7 c.m. gun which was firing at short range and causing casualties to our infantry. After silencing this gun he turned fire on to enemy machine guns which were firing on our troops. He then made a daring reconnaissance which was of the greatest value in enabling the batteries to be pushed forward as the situation on the left was obscure. He showed great gallantry and initiative.

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Edward Frederick Lawson, M.C., 1/1st Bucks Yeo., Comdg. 1st County of Lond. Yeo. (EGYPT)

On the 23rd September, 1918, the brigade came into contact with a strong flank guard of the 7th Turkish Army, which was covering the crossing of that army over the River Jordan by the ford at Mkt. Fettal es Sufah. He so manoeuvred his regiment that it got behind the left rear of the flank guard, which thus left the column exposed to an attack. This attack was promptly pushed home, resulting in the capture of some 3,000 prisoners, eight field guns, two camel guns, and many machine guns, the abandoning of numerous transport vehicles, and the complete disorganisation of this Turkish Army as a fighting force. He did magnificent work.

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Cecil Lister, M.C., North'n R., attd. 1/6th Bn., S. Staffs. R., T.F.

His battalion was allotted the difficult task of storming the St. Quentin Canal and capturing the village of Bellenglise on the further bank. Amongst the defences he had to attack was a tunnel system. On the 29th September, 1918, he achieved a complete success with slight casualties, and this was in great measure due to his careful preparation of the attack and the determination with which he personally inspired all ranks serving under him during the action.

Capt. (T./Lt.-Col.) Cyril Ernest Napier Lomax, M.C., Welsh R., Comdg. 21st Bn., Manch. R.

Throughout the operations extending from 4th to 12th October, 1918, he displayed marked gallantry and power of command. He led his battalion in the attack on Pouchaux, when they successfully stormed and captured the second objective. Later, when the attack on Honnechy was held up, he went forward and consulted with the com-