

heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and kept them on their proper course, and indicated to each one what points to attack. He at the same time took charge of the Infantry in his particular area of operations, showing them where to go, and generally assisted them in a marked degree.

T./2nd Lt. Ernest William Chicken, D.C.M., M.M., 1st Bn., Bord. R., attd. 87th T.M. Bty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations on the 22nd October, 1918, near Katterstraat. He was in charge of T.M.B. Section, and the company to which he was attached was held up by intense machine-gun fire. He immediately moved up his Stokes guns, engaged the enemy's machine guns, inflicting several casualties and forcing them to withdraw. Though wounded he continued to keep his guns in action until the battalion was relieved at the end of the day's operations.

2nd Lt. Joseph Ernest Chilvers, 3rd Bn., East Kent R., attd. 7th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and ability during the operations near Ronusoy on 18th-25th September, 1918. On the 18th, after his Company-Commander had been wounded, he assumed command, and, during the advance, with a small party, crawled forward and dealt with an enemy machine gun which had been causing casualties. Throughout the whole of the operations, though twice wounded, he displayed great courage and initiative.

T./2nd./Lt. Philip Stephen Chittenden, 14th Bn., Tank Corps.

For marked gallantry and initiative near Preux on 4th November, 1918. His Tank received a direct hit and became immobile. He went forward with all his guns, and the remainder of his crew, to fight with the Infantry, and assisted in capturing a formidable machine-gun position. One of his guns having been disabled, he replaced it with one of the captured enemy machine guns, and continued at the head of the Infantry. Later he personally captured eight prisoners in a house.

T./2nd./Lt. Harry Church, R.E., attd. 526th (Dur.) Fd. Coy, R.E., T.F.

For the gallant and skilful manner in which he conducted his section and transport through the villages of Querenaing and Artres on the night of 26th and 27th October, 1918, and erected the four footbridges over the river Rhonelle in spite of heavy gas and H.E. shelling. It was due to his determined devotion to duty that the bridges were got to the site and erected.

T./Capt. Charles Lennard Chute, Gen. List (Bde. Maj., 164th Inf. Bde.).

For great gallantry and devotion to duty as Brigade Major at the Bac de Wavrin on 16th October, 1918. When the troops, who were attempting to force the crossing of the Haute Deule Canal, were checked by machine gun fire, he went up and organised the attack so successfully that foot bridges were thrown across the canal, the crossings made good, and the way prepared for following troops to pass over. Later, near

Tournai, it was largely due to his good staff work, repeatedly carried out under fire, that tactical points of importance were secured.

T./2nd Lt. George Clark, D.C.M., 1st Bn., Leic. R.

During the operations near Holnon Village, on the 18th/19th September, 1918, he showed great gallantry and dash. On the 18th September he came through the hostile barrage four times to ensure that his men were assembled in their correct positions. During the attack on the 19th September he led his men forward with great coolness under enemy machine-gun fire until he was held up by uncut enemy barbed wire. He was severely wounded.

T./Capt. John Sawers Clark, M.B., R.A.M.C., attd. 15th Bn., R.I. Rifles.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 14th October, 1918, near Dadizeele, his aid post was partially blown in and the entrance blocked. He at once set to work under shell fire and cleared the entrance and removed the wounded who were there to a safer place. Throughout he behaved splendidly in attending and helping the wounded under the most trying conditions at all times.

T./2nd Lt. Cyril Suchwell Clark, 1st Bn., R.W. Surr. R.

During the operations north-east of Selle River, from 22nd October to 26th October, 1918, he did excellent work. In the attack on the final objective he led his platoon at the head of the battalion, and by personally capturing an enemy machine gun and putting it and its crew out of action materially assisted the success of the operation. He showed marked courage and skill.

Lt. Noel Thomas Murray Clarke, R.F.A. (S.R.), attd. A/46th Bde.

For cool courage and devotion to duty. On the 13th October, 1918, near Houthem, his battery was very heavily shelled at the time when it was required to fire a gas bombardment. He reorganised the gun detachments and by his personal example re-established the morale of the gunners, and got the guns into action, and the bombardment carried out.

T./2nd Lt. Thomas Scott Clarke, 2nd Bn., R. Ir. Regt., attd. 1st Bn., R. Dub. Fus.

In operations east of Ledeghem, 14th October, 1918, for most conspicuous gallantry and dash. When his platoon was held up on two occasions by snipers in farmhouses he went forward and rushed the farmhouses, killing some of the garrison and capturing the remainder, thus enabling his platoon on both occasions to continue the advance without suffering casualties.

T./2nd Lt. James Harris Claydon, 11th Bn., Essex R.

For great gallantry and able leadership on the 24th/25th September, 1918, during the attack on the Quadrilateral, north-west of St. Quentin. He was in charge of a fighting patrol which was sent forward to clear about 500 yards of trenches, strong points, etc. His skilful judgment in selecting