

from both flanks. He crawled forward with his gun team to a position whence he could enfilade the enemy, and by his fire covered the advance of the platoon on the right which worked round and brought enfilade fire to bear on the trenches. On this the enemy surrendered, and three officers, seventy-five O.Rs., and six light and one heavy machine guns were captured. He did excellent work.

47458 L./C. F. J. Nettleingham, 2nd Bn., Wellington R.

For marked courage and initiative. On 4th November, 1918, near Pont de l'Alouette his platoon came under very heavy machine-gun fire. He pushed on ahead, located the enemy gun, and bringing enfilade fire to bear, forced the crew to abandon the gun. He then rushed alone into the trench, taking the garrison, fifteen in number, prisoners. His prompt and courageous action undoubtedly saved the company many casualties. He did fine work.

30650 L./Sjt. I. G. Short, 1st Bn., Wellington R.

For most conspicuous gallantry and initiative east of Le Quesnoy, on the 4th November, 1918. Early in the attack, when in support, he led a section and mopped up an enemy machine gun that had been passed over, killing several of the team and taking the remainder prisoner. Later, with a few men he outflanked and took prisoner a party of the enemy who were taking up a firing position. After reaching the final objective he went forward to reconnoitre, and was severely wounded by a strong party of the enemy after he had killed one of them. He set a splendid example to those with him.

65162 Pte. W. G. Vial, 1st Bn., Wellington R.

For most conspicuous gallantry and initiative east of Le Quesnoy on 4th November, 1918. Accompanied by his section commander he rushed a machine-gun post which was holding up the advance of the section, killed two of the gun crew, made the remainder prisoners, and captured the machine gun. Immediately afterwards he led his section in an attack on another machine-gun post, and captured the whole of the crew. He set a splendid example to the men of his section.

NEWFOUNDLAND FORCE.

2247 Pte. W. Anthony, 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 3rd October, 1918, at Ledeghem, when the enemy put down a heavy barrage prior to counter-attacking. He took out his Lewis gun entirely by himself 150 yards in front of the front line, and caused considerable casualties on the enemy. He was entirely alone for a quarter of an hour, and during the whole of the counter-attack remained out in his advanced post. He did fine work.

1368 L./Cpl. M. Brazil, M.M., 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 14th October, 1918, during the advance from Ledeghem, when the attack was held up by four field guns firing at very close range, he and another man doubled forward with a Lewis gun by short rushes under intense fire, until they

reached a position from which their covering fire enabled the platoon to advance further and finally to capture four field guns and four machine guns. He did fine work.

1403 Cpl. C. F. Carter, 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 3rd October, 1918, at Ledeghem. The enemy put down a heavy barrage prior to counter-attacking, and under cover of a timber-yard pushed forward a machine gun, and were causing several casualties. Cpl. Carter with a section worked his way forward among the timber and opened fire on the enemy and silenced the gun. He established a post well out in the timber-yard, and remained there during the remainder of the counter-attack.

3423 Pte. T. Corbin, 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 14th October, 1918, during the advance from Ledeghem his platoon was being enfiladed by enemy machine guns and fired at by field guns at point-blank range. He and another man immediately opened fire with their Lewis gun on two machine guns. Though both men were very much exposed and at very close range they outfought and killed the enemy machine gunners. Though both men were slightly wounded they carried on through the action.

3289 Pte. S. Greenslade, 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 14th October, 1918, during the attack from Ledeghem towards Lys his section was temporarily held up by an enemy machine gun and snipers firing from a farmhouse. On his own initiative he dashed forward with his Lewis gun, got it into position, and opened fire with his gun through the windows of the farmhouse. Under cover of his fire his section advanced, captured the machine gun and 12 prisoners. His quick action and dash were admirable.

3382 Pte. A. S. Whalen, 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 14th October, 1918, during the advance from Ledeghem, his platoon was being enfiladed by enemy machine guns and fired at by field guns at point-blank range. He and another man immediately opened fire with their Lewis gun on two machine guns. Though both men were very much exposed and at very close range, they outfought and killed the enemy machine-gunners. Though both men were slightly wounded, they carried on through the action.

SOUTH AFRICAN FORCE.

2471 A./Sjt. C. G. Alexander, 2nd Bn., S.A. Infy.

During the advances from Beaufort to Maurois on the 8/9th October, 1918, he displayed great courage and resource. On one occasion, when the division on the right were out of touch, he collected about fifty men out of a wood and pushed them forward to the final objective. Armed with a Lewis gun, he moved quickly from point to point and dealt with enemy machine-gun posts