

Division at the crossing of the Piave, 27th October, 1918, with marked success. This brigade particularly distinguished itself, gained all its objectives after stiff fighting, and captured many prisoners. The brigade again distinguished itself on the Monticano, particularly in the capture of Cimetta, when stubborn resistance was encountered. Brig.-Gen. Pelly showed great judgment and coolness in personally superintending the final capture of this village from the banks of the Monticano, when they were under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire the whole time. Throughout the whole operations he set a fine example to his brigade.

(D.S.O. gazetted 14th January, 1916.)

T./Lt.-Col. Gordon Openshaw Ramsbottom, D.S.O., 22nd Bn. Manch. R. (ITALY)

In the attack across the Piave on the 27th October, 1918, and following days, he showed the greatest skill in leading his men, combined with the highest courage and contempt for danger. When his men were in difficulties owing to the swift current and the wire on the river bank, he led the leading company across and inspired his men with such a splendid spirit and determination that they carried all before them and broke the principal point of the enemy's resistance, capturing hundreds of prisoners and nine guns. Although nearly drowned in the river crossing nothing could stop this gallant officer, who was indefatigable in pressing the attack.

(D.S.O. gazetted 4th June, 1917.)

Capt. (A./Maj. and T./Lt.-Col.) Vincent Basil Ramsden, D.S.O., M.C., 1st Bn. S. W. Bord., attd. 15th Bn. High. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and ability in command of his battalion at Ors on the 4th November, 1918, when it was detailed for the capture of a second and third position. He carried out the task with marked courage and resource, pushing on in face of heavy opposition well into the night, and securing all objectives by dawn. The work done by the battalion under his leadership has been of a very high order throughout these operations.

(D.S.O. gazetted 26th July, 1918.)

Lt.-Col. James Jardine Richardson, D.S.O., 13th Hrs. (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Hadranizah on 29th October, 1918. He led his regiment under heavy fire to the successful assault of a bluff. His cool and determined action had a great and far-reaching effect at a critical point of the operations.

(D.S.O. gazetted 25th August, 1917.)

T./Maj. Thomas Douglas Sutherland, D.S.O., M.C., 6th Bn., Linc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during operations on the 6th and 7th November, 1918, on the east bank of Grande Honnelle River. His battalion was held up in an attack by mist and heavy machine-gun fire, and suffered severe casualties, but by his personal courage, fine example and skilful dispositions, he was able to inspire all ranks with his own splendid fighting spirit, and to hold on at a most critical period for a day, taking the leading companies forward

the following day and capturing the position.

(D.S.O. gazetted 26th September, 1917.)

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Harry Delamere-Thwaytes, D.S.O., 1st Bn., Dorset. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and ability in handling his battalion at the forcing of the passage of the Sambre Canal, near Ors, on the 4th November, 1918. This he effected by a single footbridge, and as soon as his advanced parties had cleared the enemy from the immediate vicinity he succeeded in pushing the whole battalion across without delay. His personal courage and resource under heavy fire were deserving of high praise.

(D.S.O. gazetted 2nd December, 1918.)

Maj. & Bt. Lt.-Col. Charles Edwin Vickery, D.S.O., R.F.A., H.Q., 74th Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership. At Les Mottes, on 9th November, 1918, the brigade was in close support of the infantry who were held up by fire from 77 mm. guns and machine guns. He made a daring reconnaissance, and, galloping back, brought his battery into action within 700 yards of the enemy's guns, silencing them, and enabling the advance to be resumed. His cheerfulness and excellent liaison with the infantry were a brilliant example to all.

(D.S.O. gazetted 31st October, 1902.)

Lt.-Col. Claude Swanwick Worthington, D.S.O., 6th Bn., Manch. R., T.F., attd. 5th Bn., Dorset. R.

During the operations at Oisy le Verger, on 27th September, 1918, he displayed conspicuous gallantry whilst in command of his battalion. When two companies were held up he went forward in face of heavy fire and cleared up the situation on taking and consolidating his objective. Later, at Epinoy, on 1st October, when the battalion was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, he went forward to the companies which were held up and helped them on to the objective. Throughout he set a fine example of determined leadership.

(D.S.O. gazetted 2nd February, 1916.)

CANADIAN FORCE.

Lt.-Col. Walter Richard Brown, D.S.O., 26th Bn., Can. Infy., New Brunswick R.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource in operations north of Cambrai during the night 8th/9th October, 1918, when he led his battalion in an attack across the Canal d'Escaut with great skill and devotion in most trying conditions and under heavy artillery fire. His personal courage at the bridges while his men were crossing, and the manner in which he afterwards reorganised the battalion in the dark and led them to the capture of a village, displayed fine qualities of leadership and determination.

(D.S.O. gazetted 18th October, 1917.)

Brig.-Gen. William Antrobus Griesbach, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Alberta R. (G.O.C., 1st Can. Infy. Bde.)

For brilliant leadership and great gallantry in the operations of 8th August, 1918, south-east of Amiens; 2nd and 3rd Septem-