

Capt. James Calvert Spence, M.B., R.A.M.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in proceeding to a battery that was suffering heavily from intense enemy shell fire, and continuing to search blown-in dug-outs and tend the wounded under heavy fire. He displayed exceptional coolness and gallantry on this occasion, and on many previous occasions he has carried out his duties with magnificent devotion.

T./Lt. Bertie Henry Stacey, Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when his platoon was caught by an intense H.E. and gas-shell bombardment whilst working on a road. He went over the ground three times, collecting his men and making sure that no wounded were left behind, and then led his party to a place of safety. It was entirely due to him that his company continued to work under heavy shell fire on this occasion, and he has at all times set a very fine example.

T./Capt. Charles Henry Stainforth, R. Innis. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the capture of an enemy position. He was in charge of the wave which captured and consolidated our furthest objective, and displayed dashing leadership and absolute disregard of danger. He shot two of the enemy himself.

T./Lt. George Pomeroy Sterling, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of two platoons. Having reached the objective of his attack, he discovered that both his flanks were in the air, and that the enemy were advancing in force. He held on, however, with the greatest coolness and determination at this critical moment, under heavy fire, until ordered to withdraw and dig himself in in line with the troops on his flanks. This he successfully accomplished, setting throughout a fine example of skilful leadership and control under very difficult conditions.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) Donald Fasken Stevenson, Yeo. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying out three contact patrols in one day in bad weather, and at low altitudes. Although attacked by enemy machines in superior numbers, he drove them off, and by his fine reconnaissance work brought back valuable information. He has at all times displayed indomitable pluck and initiative.

2nd Lt. Henry Aicken Stewart, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in collecting a party and successfully extinguishing a burning dump of ammunition, which was exploding freely all the time they were at work. They were also exposed to heavy shell fire, and the gallantry and disregard of danger which were displayed by this officer and his party undoubtedly saved great loss of life and ammunition. He has

previously performed excellent service in getting up ammunition to the gun positions under trying circumstances.

Lt. Oliver Stewart, Midd'x R. & R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has done consistent good work for six months, both on escorts and offensive patrols, and has displayed great fearlessness and skill during severe fighting at close range with enemy machines, successfully holding his own, although on several occasions outnumbered by them.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Samuel George Stewart, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. He went forward 2,500 yards, through heavy artillery fire, to a house, where he remained observing for his battery all day, although the house was constantly struck, and he himself was wounded in the back. He returned late in the day, through an intense enemy barrage, to report upon what he had seen, and as communications by then had been cut, he bicycled to an infantry brigade to give his news in person. He was evacuated on account of his wound next day, having displayed the utmost pluck and devotion to duty at a very critical time.

2nd Lt. (T./Lt.) Francis le Strange Stone, Hrs., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack upon his position. He went from post to post, under severe shell fire, superintending the work of the machine guns, and making special dispositions against an assault. Previous to this he had carried out several dangerous daylight reconnaissances, under hostile observation, to enable him to place his guns, and his gallantry and disregard of danger were a very fine example to his men.

T./Capt. William Bruce George Stuart, R. Ir. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in commanding his company during an attack. He led them with great dash and personal gallantry, capturing many prisoners, and later on doing excellent work in consolidating captured positions. Throughout the action his fine example of determination and enthusiasm kept his men going at a time when they were dead beat.

2nd Lt. Reginald Stuart Tarran, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when a hostile raid had penetrated our front line. He and another officer led a counter-attack with such vigour that the enemy was outflanked and twelve prisoners taken. He was then placed in the support line, which he promptly and successfully reorganised.

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) George Stamp Taylor, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on several occasions, one notable in-