

fire, and brought up his platoon to a point where a commanding position was occupied and consolidated. By his quick appreciation of the situation, and his own personal disregard of all danger, a position of considerable tactical importance was secured.

T./Lt. James Frederick Campbell Cameron, M.C., Arg. & Suth'd Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on the enemy lines all the company officers became casualties. He went out from headquarters, collected troops, and organised a line of defence, in spite of close-range sniping, which eventually held back an enemy counter-attack. He remained at this post until the battalion was relieved.

T./Capt. Archibald Hay Craig, M.C., R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On three different occasions he went to the forward posts and steadied the men and organised the line after heavy casualties and in full view of snipers. On the third occasion the men were threatening to come back on part of the line. He led them back to their positions and thus secured the line. It was due to his efforts that a serious situation was averted.

T./Maj. Hervey Francis de Montmorency, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in rallying his men after his battery had been heavily shelled for seven hours and his guns buried, and in getting three into action again. His men were driven back from the guns several times; but he worked himself to restore confidence. During this time he was practically crippled, having seriously twisted his knee by falling into a shell-hole.

T./Major John Henry Gill, W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. After being ordered to form a block, on his own initiative he collected scattered men and worked forward up the trench. On finding a block lightly held, he consolidated it and formed two blocks behind, taking charge of the position until ordered to retire. His personal courage helped greatly to rally the men and to stop the further advance of the enemy at a time when the situation was critical, and in spite of the fact that he himself was wounded.

Rev. Theodore Bayley Hardy, A. Chaplns. Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in volunteering to go with a rescue party for some men who had been left stuck in the mud the previous night between the enemy's outpost line and our own. All the men except one were brought in. He then organised a party for the rescue of this man, and remained with it all night, though under rifle-fire at close range, which killed one of the party. With his left arm in splints, owing to a broken wrist, and under the worst weather conditions, he crawled out with patrols to within seventy yards of the

enemy and remained with wounded men under heavy fire.

Maj. Arthur Julius Rann Kennedy, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a party salvaging ammunition from a vacated gun position. The position was heavily shelled, and one shell fell near a pit containing a large number of rounds of ammunition, setting fire to the pit. He immediately ran to the pit, which was a sheet of flame by the time he arrived. After a great deal of work by this officer and a party under his supervision the fire was extinguished and the ammunition saved. The position was being shelled continuously during this time. It was entirely due to his prompt and energetic action that the ammunition was saved, and he set a magnificent example of devotion to duty.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Ernest Charles Temple Minet, M.C., M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company. At a most critical period, when the attack was held up, he took charge of all the troops in the vicinity and established a defensive flank. He rushed up two of his guns into a strong point and dispersed enemy parties as they were forming for attack. He moved about the front line all day controlling fire, encouraging all ranks to greater efforts. His great coolness and courage were an example to all ranks.

2nd Lt. Walter Hamilton Moberly, O. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In an advance against enemy positions three companies reached their objectives and consolidated. The commanders of all three companies were killed, and he thereupon assumed command of the advanced line. The position was extremely difficult, as the troops on both flanks had failed to reach their objectives, and the enemy were consequently holding positions at and slightly behind his flanks. Communication with battalion headquarters failed, as runners were unable to get through the machine-gun and snipers' fire from the front and flanks. In these circumstances this officer determined to hold on to the advanced line at all costs. He took steps to defend his flanks, and organised an effective resistance to counter attacks. By his prompt and decisive action and complete disregard of danger he inspired his men with confidence; and if it had not been for this plucky decision and courageous determination on his part the whole of the objectives gained would have had to be abandoned.

Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) John Balderstone Muir, R. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. When the position became one of considerable danger he promptly and personally dealt with the emergency, thus enabling the ground gained to be held and the line maintained. He personally organised the line, and by his example and energy infused such spirit into the defence that a very difficult and dangerous situation was saved. Had it not been