

Capt. Frederick James Cotterell, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of an attacking wave, and showed great skill and judgment when the attack was beginning to lose direction. By skilful handling he quickly reorganised his men under a heavy barrage without casualties, and enabled the attack to continue. By his coolness, determination, and disregard of danger he inspired his men to fight their way through the enemy's defences.

Capt. Arthur Curtis, A.S.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his transport troop forward on several occasions under heavy fire, and in spite of casualties got his supplies through to the battalion dumps. By his example of coolness and determination the men in the front line were kept well supplied with rations.

Capt. Edgar Alfred Davis, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company during an attack. Although slightly wounded, he remained at his post, and succeeded in preventing the enemy from regaining a footing in the line.

Lt. Edward Erskine Dilworth, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in constructing a strong point under heavy fire. He personally reconnoitred his surroundings and captured two of the enemy in a dug-out. Later, when heavily shelled, he showed great devotion to duty in getting his men all into safe positions.

2nd Lt. John Clarkson Donohue, Fld. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. An ammunition dump was set on fire, and the flames spread owing to the high wind. He at once went to the spot, and, with some assistance, eventually succeeded in extinguishing the fire, which was threatening to cause an explosion. He showed great courage, and set an excellent example to his men.

Lt. Alban Charles Elliot, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men in an attack and ensured that direction was kept, although twice badly shaken by bursting shells. When the objective was reached, he twice organised and conducted parties to bring up ammunition through heavy shell fire. He also organised and led a party to bring in enemy machine guns and ammunition, which were used against the enemy. He was also active in arranging for the removal of the wounded. He showed great courage and initiative throughout the operations.

Lt. William Thomas Gash, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of his company, and handled it in a most skilful manner in an attack. Always amongst his men, he was able to dig out several who were buried by shells, and during five days in the line, under the heaviest of barrages, his conduct and example were an inspiration to his men.

Lt. Herbert Stanley Geldard, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in support his company came under heavy shell fire, and suffered casualties. Assisted by an N.C.O., he worked continuously for ten hours digging out buried men and assisting the wounded. During the whole time he exposed himself to heavy shell fire, and showed an utter contempt of danger. He set a splendid example to his men, and saved many lives.

Capt. William Norman Giblett, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men with great dash and determination, keeping them well under control by his fearless example, and reached his objective, in spite of intense artillery and machine-gun fire. He consolidated his position, and displayed great courage and coolness under heavy bombardments.

Capt. Stuart Galloway Gibson, A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While he was in charge of a detachment at a loading post the enemy opened a heavy bombardment. Though nearly all the shelters were demolished, he continued at his work of removing casualties throughout intense shelling. He set a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty.

Lt. George Harper, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. The advance was held up by about sixty of the enemy, with four machine guns and some snipers. The position was critical, and he at once assisted in leading a small party to the attack. They captured the position, consisting of five concrete shelters, with four machine guns, and put the whole garrison out of action. He took command when his company commander was wounded, and pushed on to the final objective, which he captured after a severe struggle. He set a splendid example to all ranks throughout.

Capt. James Edward Herbert, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company in an attack. He displayed great energy and resource in consolidating the captured position, and then reorganising the troops on the whole battalion front. He was largely responsible for the success of the battalion operations.

Lt. Frank Hickson, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of a company throughout the operations, and led them with unerring skill and judgment. Seeing the flank company held up by machine-gun fire, he at once assisted them with part of his company, and personally went forward, shot four of the gun team and captured the remainder, thus allowing the advance to continue. His prompt and courageous action undoubtedly saved many lives. He showed great knowledge in selecting his final positions, and set a splendid example to his men throughout.

Capt. George Leslie Hinchliffe, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In spite of heavy machine-gun fire, which caused 60 per cent. casualties, he