

counter-attacks against the enemy successfully when the situation was precarious. At one time he procured the services of a Tank to help in holding the line. All through the operations he set an example of coolness and resource.

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Joseph Hugh Ward, M.C., M.B., R.A.M.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of a cavalry field ambulance. During two days of intense fighting, in spite of the enforced moves of his unit, he continued to keep an A.D.S. open until the last possible moment to deal with large numbers of wounded, only retiring when all had been evacuated and when ordered to do so. Throughout this period he showed an example of pluck and determination beyond all praise.

Capt. Mark Kingsley Wardle, M.C., Leic. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. By a daring reconnaissance during a withdrawal he located the exact extent of a gap between our troops, and ascertained the position, strength and movement of the enemy. His report was of the utmost value to the brigade commander and to the Higher Command. All through the operations he displayed great courage and enthusiasm.

T./Lt. (A./Lt.-Col.) James William Watkins, M.C., Lanc. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in commanding his battalion and repelling an attack. His personal example of courage and cheerfulness, and his attention to all the details of the measures for assisting the defence, were undoubtedly responsible for the very fine fight made by his battalion at a very critical period, and for the ultimate success of the defence.

Maj. Francis Shulldham Watson, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He moved his battery under very trying conditions with great skill. At one time the enemy were within rifle fire of the position, and the roads were being shelled, but he withdrew his guns and all his stores successfully, and then came into action again. On previous occasions and in subsequent operations he has proved himself a very capable battery commander with judgment and resource.

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Gilbert Henry Wedgwood, York & Lanc. Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion. He denied an important locality to the enemy by the promptitude and rapidity of his movements. For three days he beat off heavy attacks, without losing a yard of ground, and the fighting spirit shown by him was a fine example to his men.

Lt. (A./Maj.) Mark Whitwill, M.C., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his telephone lines were cut, he repeatedly passed through a heavy barrage, in order to keep in touch with the

brigade headquarters. He made personal reconnaissances to the posts in front, and on one occasion assumed command of some troops, organised defences, and held the posts until relieved. He constantly exposed himself to heavy fire, and by his coolness and example kept troops together when there was serious danger of their becoming disorganised.

Maj. Evelyn Hugh Watkin Williams, Hrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a mounted charge along the hostile line, after the infantry line had broken back, taking the line in flank, and in the face of the heaviest machine-gun fire he carried out the manoeuvre successfully, sabring nearly 100 of the enemy, and taking 100 prisoners, although his own troop was only 150. His fine action rallied the infantry, who advanced, and recovered over 3,000 yards in depth of the whole line.

T./Capt. Roger Llewellyn Williams, M.C., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations, when, with the C.O. and Adjutant, he was the last to withdraw. Shortly after the C.O. was severely wounded, but, with the assistance of another officer, he carried him away for over half a mile under intense machine-gun and rifle fire at close range. Afterwards he continued to dress the wounded, including the Adjutant, under the most intense fire, and throughout the withdrawal he showed the utmost energy and devotion to duty.

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) Herbert George Willis, M.B., M.C., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a bearer division of the Field Ambulance throughout ten days' fighting, he kept all in order by visiting the R.A.P.'s and Ambulance Relay Posts, and when the trolley line was destroyed by shell fire he reorganised the system of evacuation, going round the posts and making the necessary arrangements at great personal risk. By his action he ensured the clearance of the wounded.

Maj. Percy Phillips Wilson, Durh. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during recent operations. He showed great coolness and skill while commanding the battalion, particularly on one occasion when the brigade on his right was forced back. Also he stayed in the trenches for four days after being wounded in the foot. He was a fine example to his men.

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Robert Alexander Wolfe-Murray, M.C., Gord. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When it became necessary to occupy a new shell-hole line, to prevent the enemy massing within striking distance, this officer led two companies across the open under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and organised the line.

T./Capt. John Bruce Wood, M.C., Gord. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile attack. When the front