

tiement of his battalion. Later, on a motor bicycle, he carried out a daring reconnaissance and brought back information of the utmost value.

(M.C. gazetted 3rd June, 1916.)
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2nd Lt. James Augustus Armstrong, M.C., L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy broke through a line, he led a small party with two Lewis guns, and took up a position to cover the retirement. In spite of extremely heavy and accurate shelling and machine-gun fire, he held on to his position until all the troops had passed. On two occasions he did this, and undoubtedly saved many casualties. He was the last to retire. His splendid courage and example had a most inspiring effect in all ranks with him.

(M.C. gazetted 18th February, 1918.)

Capt. William Browne Bagshaw, M.C., Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in operations. Units of his brigade were carrying out a heavy rearguard action, and the enemy were pressing hard. By his great personal courage, energy and example, he encouraged the troops to a dogged resistance, thus giving time for the construction of a fresh line and for its occupation by other troops.

(M.C. gazetted 1st January, 1918.)

Lt. Douglas Monro King Baird, M.C., R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did consistent good work and sent reports from his O.P. throughout a heavy barrage of high explosive and gas shells; also he maintained the fire of his section under persistent neutralising fire, often working with the detachment when casualties caused a shortage.

(M.C. gazetted 18th July, 1917.)

Capt. (A./Maj.) Euston Edward Francis Baker, M.C., Midd'x R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty after assuming command of his battalion. Throughout the operations he did yeoman service in maintaining the efficiency and fighting spirit of the battalion and in covering the withdrawal of other troops. He showed great coolness and efficiency in handling his men.

(M.C. gazetted 26th September, 1917.)

T./Capt. Philip Stanley Barber, M.C., Gen. List.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He performed valuable service in a retirement by rapidly reorganising stragglers and details into a fighting force, and pushing them forward to fill up a gap.

(M.C. gazetted 4th June, 1917.)

Capt. (A./Maj.) Austin Graves Bates, D.S.O., M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was severely wounded early in

the day, but declined medical attention, and continued to give orders and direct fire until the enemy were almost surrounding his battery position. He then skilfully withdrew his men and reported valuable information to group headquarters concerning the enemy's dispositions before going to a dressing station. His fine conduct was a magnificent example to all ranks.

(M.C. gazetted 1st January, 1917.)

T./Capt. Phillippe Bernard Belanger, M.C., M.D., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the enemy had penetrated the defences on the left of his battalion in support, and were outflanking battalion headquarters. He went across 300 yards of ground swept by severe machine-gun and rifle fire, to assist a wounded officer, and had him carried into safety. His displayed great courage and self-sacrifice throughout operations.

(M.C. gazetted 18th October, 1917.)

2nd Lt. Richard Bell, M.C., Border R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading successful reconnaissances and in regaining touch as between units during obscure situations. On one occasion he went forward with two others, located the enemy's posts, and brought back such valuable information that his company was able to retake the position without further loss. He was finally wounded.

(M.C. gazetted 18th January, 1918.)

Lt. (A./Capt.) George Bissett, M.C., R. Sco. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout nine days' fighting, especially when front line troops were withdrawing, and he collected battalion headquarter details with a machine-gun to protect the flank of the retirement, inflicting heavy losses and driving the enemy back. He then went about collecting stragglers and organising definite positions.

(M.C. gazetted 1st January, 1917.)

Lt. John Boyd, M.C., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of working parties erecting wire entanglements. Though several times scattered by heavy shell and machine-gun fire, he reorganised his parties on each occasion and completed the work. Throughout the operations he showed great courage and determination.

(M.C. gazetted 18th July, 1917.)

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) George Bradstock, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. After the drivers of a team had become casualties, he took the leading driver's place, and started to return under heavy fire from three batteries. Both the lead and wheel horses fell, but he managed to withdraw the gun. After dark the whole of the guns of the battery were successfully withdrawn, the last gun being brought into action, Major Bradstock acting as No. 1. This act of gallantry set a