

Capt. (A./Maj.) Cecil Ernest Wells Charrington, S. Staff. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of his company. When the enemy broke through on the right of his line, he changed the front of his command and met the new conditions with great coolness, reorganising the whole of his defences under heavy fire. Subsequently he conducted the retirement with great skill, being the last man to leave the vicinity.

Lt. Henry Nye Chart, Leic. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of a company during an enemy attack. He showed great coolness and ability and led a successful counter-attack, which checked the enemy's advance for some time.

T./Lt. William Chassels, Res. Cav.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the C.O. had been wounded he assumed command of his company which was being attacked on three sides. By his fine example of courage and coolness he kept his men together and delayed the enemy for a considerable time, thus allowing the infantry to take up a fresh position in the rear. He then effected an orderly retirement.

Lt. Maurice Chennells, Yeo., attd. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout twelve days' fighting, when he showed great skill and determination in handling his guns on all occasions, exerting a great influence on his exhausted men.

2nd Lt. Harold Percy Chilver, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept a gun in action under heavy shell fire, laying and firing it himself, after most of the detachment had become casualties. Later, as Forward Observing Officer, he laid a wire, though harassed by machine-gun fire, thus enabling important information to be sent through. By his energy and courage on the retirement he kept his brigade constantly informed.

Capt. Cecil Chipper, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the line in front of him had been broken and the troops on his flank had withdrawn, he succeeded not only in preventing the enemy outflanking him, but beat off their attacks and finally withdrew his men with slight loss.

2nd Lt. Stanley Norcliffe Chivers, R.G.A., S.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the enemy had entered a village he kept his section in action until ordered to cease fire. Twice he went forward to reconnoitre and report after the infantry had retired through the battery, and when all efforts to obtain transport to remove his guns had failed he supervised their destruction and the withdrawal of his men. Most of this work was done under severe machine-gun fire.

Lt. Frederick Storey Christopher, Durh L.I., attd. M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy were attacking in great force he was in charge of four machine guns, and he not only handled his guns with the greatest courage and skill in order to cover the withdrawal of the infantry, but also, having got his guns into position, he rendered invaluable assistance in collecting infantry and organising a new line of defence.

2nd Lt. Clifford Stanley Clark, R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a gun at a forward position placed there to command points whence the enemy would debouch, he maintained his gun in action with great spirit until all his ammunition was expended, when he skilfully withdrew.

T./Sub. Lt. (A./Lt.) Joseph Clarke, R.N.D., R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a small party against an enemy machine gun which was causing a great deal of trouble to the unit on the right. He captured the gun and killed all the crew but one, whom he took prisoner. The putting of this gun out of action greatly assisted the unit on the right to gain touch. Throughout the operations he did much valuable work.

Lt. (A./Maj.) Geoffrey Francis Claudet, D.S.O., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout recent operations he consistently fought his guns to the last moment, and on one occasion took forward a gun to prevent enemy machine gunners from penetrating a gap in the line. He also helped to evacuate wounded under heavy shell fire. By his fine example of courage he inspired all ranks.

Rev. John Francis Clayton, Army Chaplains' Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations. Hearing that there were wounded lying in the neighbourhood of a position, he at once went there and organised stretcher parties. He remained in the shelled area all day, only leaving it to secure further assistance or to obtain dressings and comforts. Through his splendid energy and coolness many lives were undoubtedly saved.

T./2nd Lt. Edwin Clements, York & Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when, with a small party, he was covering the retirement of the main body. Whilst his party was engaged with the enemy in front he saw a hostile body, with a machine gun, working round the flank. He personally shot the enemy officer, and successfully engaged the remainder of the party, thus enabling the retirement to be carried out with success. Throughout the day his great courage and initiative were most marked.

Lt. Michael John Clery, Dn. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. In command of a dismounted troop he displayed the greatest courage and determination in holding on to an advanced