

skill the machine-gun and rifle fire of his men, and forced the enemy back. He also organised an advance, and captured two machine guns and many prisoners, keeping his line intact throughout the whole operation.

T./Capt. George Francis Palmer Heathcote, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout many days of active operations. He was absolutely tireless in his work of rescuing and caring for the wounded, and freely exposed himself to heavy rifle and machine-gun fire in carrying out his duties. By his splendid courage and energy throughout the whole operations, he was instrumental in getting away most of the wounded.

Lt. Norman Stanley Hedderwick, Hrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When touch with the enemy had been temporarily lost, and his squadron was covering the withdrawal of troops crossing a bridge, he went out mounted and succeeded in locating the enemy, when he came under heavy machine-gun fire. In spite of being badly wounded, he returned and was able to give a clear account of the enemy's movements, thus enabling the squadron to advance and restore the situation.

T./2nd Lt. Alfred Victor Hedges, Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the company commander and other officers had become casualties, he took command, and it was mainly due to his courage and skilful dispositions, that the rest of the battalion was extricated, and was enabled to be reformed, and to take up a position in the rear. In subsequent engagements he gave a splendid example of energy and determination, and in every way his work was beyond praise.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Thomas Eric Hasler Helby, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer's plucky bearing throughout set an example to the battery, particularly on one occasion when his initiative and enterprise were largely responsible for all the guns being saved.

T./Lt. Robert John Helsby, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the battery area being heavily shelled he dressed the wounded with complete disregard of personal safety, and in spite of being blown up in a house and badly shaken.

Lt. (A./Capt.) David Henderson, Gen. List.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout an attack this officer controlled and regulated the fire of a 6-inch T.M.B. over a large front. Later, when ordered to withdraw, he personally supervised the burial of those pieces which had to be left, and the placing of detonated bombs, where they might do most harm.

T./Capt. Francis Henderson, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout ten days' fighting this officer set a splendid example. On one day for twelve consecutive hours he was engaged in leading squads of bearers to and from the Regimental Aid Posts. He frequently dressed men in the open when their condition needed it. He brought a wounded officer back in a car, several times stopping it under heavy fire to make the officer more comfortable.

T./Lt. (A./Maj.) Richard Max Henman, R.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. For six and a half hours the battery under his command, by gun-fire over open sights, prevented the enemy advance, and inflicted very heavy losses on him at short range, and it was only after dusk, when he could no longer see to direct the fire, that the enemy succeeded in advancing. He then destroyed his guns, and withdrew his men under rifle fire, when the enemy were within 50 yards. His display of courage, coolness and resource was a splendid encouragement to his men.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Howard Henry, M.D., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during several days, when acting as Bearer Officer. The conditions under which the wounded had to be collected and evacuated were particularly difficult, owing to the fact that the troops were executing a withdrawal. By his total disregard of personal danger and coolness, he set a brilliant example to the bearers under his command, and undoubtedly was the means of saving many lives.

No. 2976 C.S.M. Alexander Hepburn, D.C.M., R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in rallying men of various regiments, who were inclining to withdraw, and in re-organising them in the defence of a position. Later, he showed extreme gallantry in holding an advanced post, when the enemy occupied the same trench on either side. When his rear was threatened, he led a party in a bayonet charge and cleared the enemy out of the trenches. Throughout the operations his courage and cheerfulness were a continual inspiration to his company.

Capt. Robert Alexander Hepple, R.A.M.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The advanced dressing station was hit by three shells simultaneously, when the building was demolished and several men killed or wounded. He at once set to work to recover the wounded from under the debris, and did not leave till all had been cleared, in spite of the continued intense shelling of the vicinity.

Lt. Alfred Leslie Herridge, Lan. Fus., secd. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in handling his machine guns with great courage and determination. Under