

cation and successfully carried out his shoot, under heavy shell fire throughout.

Rev. Heywood Harris, S.A. Chapl. Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During three days' hard fighting he showed great courage under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, attending to the wounded at the R.A.P. His assistance was of the greatest value to the medical officer, and it was largely due to his unsparing efforts that the evacuation of the wounded was so successfully accomplished. His coolness and devotion to duty were most praiseworthy.

T./2nd Lt. George Alexander Leighton, S. Afr. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a critical period, when the other officers of his company had become casualties, he took command of all the units in the vicinity, as well as of his own, and established a strong defensive position at a time when the enemy attack was imminent. He moved about under heavy fire, from shell-hole to shell hole, until he had completed his dispositions; and his courage and fearless devotion to duty were examples to all those under him, re-establishing their steadfastness and enabling him to control men who were quite strangers to him at a moment when a firm resistance was of the utmost value.

T./2nd Lt. Edward Lewell, S. Afr. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During four days' hard fighting he commanded his men with great gallantry, moving about under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire, encouraging them and directing their fire with good effect. On one occasion, finding his flank in the air, he made excellent dispositions for its defence and effectively held up the advance of the enemy. He proved himself a leader of exceptional ability, and set a fine example of coolness under fire that was of great value to all under his command.

T./Capt. Basil Sampson, S.-Afr. Medical Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a counter-attack on the enemy positions, this officer, with another, improvised an advanced dressing station and relay posts under the most difficult conditions. They remained at a point considerably forward, under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and it was largely due to their efforts and able dispositions that a great many wounded were dressed and evacuated who otherwise might have fallen into the hands of the enemy when later they forced back our line.

T./Capt. William Smith, S. Afr. Medical Corps.

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Lt. Harold Laurence Sumner, S. Afr. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst in command of a composite battalion he showed fine leadership. About 11 a.m. his company line was driven in by a strong enemy attack. He immediately reorganised the men himself, leading a counter-attack which was successful. He inflicted heavy losses, blocked a gap in the line, and restored the position.

Rev. Patrick Joseph Walshe, S. Afr. Chap. Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During three days' hard fighting he was working with unsparing devotion to duty under heavy shell and machine-gun fire among the wounded at the regimental aid post. He rendered the most valuable assistance to the medical officer, and it was largely due to his unremitting efforts that the casualties were successfully evacuated.

NEWFOUNDLAND FORCE.

Capt. John Clift, R. Newfoundland R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a company. He displayed great coolness and initiative, allowing the enemy within 200 yards of his position in mass and then opening heavy fire and breaking up their attack. He personally collected stragglers and extended his flank with them. It was through his resourcefulness and boldness that the subsequent withdrawal of other troops was made possible.

AMENDMENTS.

The following are the correct descriptions of Officers upon whom Rewards have recently been conferred:—

T./Lt.-Col. George Rollo, D.S.O., L'pool R.

(D.S.O. gazetted 1st January, 1917.)

(Bar to D.S.O. gazetted 26th July, 1918.)

Capt. James Syme McEwan Aucott, M.C., Sco. Rif., attd. K.O.S.B.

(M.C. gazetted 17th April, 1917.)

(Bar gazetted 26th November, 1917.)

2/Lt. Charles Donald Baird, M.C., R. Sc. Fus.

(M.C. gazetted 26th July, 1918.)

T./2nd Lt. Norman Francis Boyes, M.C., Som. L. I., attd. T.M. Bty.

(M.C. gazetted 26th July, 1918.)

Lt. Edward Guy Clarkson, M.C., Can. Infy., Cent. Ont. R.

(M.C. gazetted 3rd June, 1918.)

Lt. Ronald Edmond Combe, M.C., R. War. R.

(M.C. gazetted 26th July, 1918.)