

ance. From then onwards he fought a consistently good rearguard action, collecting stragglers wherever he could, and collecting food and ammunition for his men. He set a fine example of cheerfulness and determination to his men.

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

Lt. (A./Capt.) Harry Michael Stansfeld Porter, M.C., R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all communication was cut off he volunteered and succeeded, in spite of gas and intense barrage, in going through and returning with messages. Later, he went out to assist his linesman in re-establishing communication, when his coolness and resource were most marked.

(M.C. gazetted 22nd June, 1918.)

T./Capt. Leslie Gordon Preston, M.C., R. West Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid by his battalion. He was in command of the first wave and remained in the enemy line for over an hour, although all his subalterns became casualties early in the raid. His splendid example inspired those under him, and the raid was a complete success. After getting his men safely back to the front line he went about "No Man's Land" searching for wounded.

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

T./Capt. Phillip Brodribb Purves, M.C., Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying out most useful reconnaissance, as brigade intelligence officer, when the situation was obscure. He had to pass through a very heavy artillery fire, but notwithstanding many difficulties, and the fact that he was wounded in the leg when 1½ miles from brigade headquarters, he returned and delivered a most valuable report. On all occasions he has shown most fearless determination under hostile fire, while carrying out his duties.

(M.C. gazetted 15th April, 1916.)

Lt. (A./Capt.) Harry Norman Reynolds, M.C., R. War. Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the enemy had broken through. He pushed forward, stopping their advance, and, driving them back, capturing a machine gun and holding positions all night under intense machine-gun fire. Next day he again drove them back, capturing three machine guns and many prisoners, following them as far as their own lines. He did splendid work.

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

Lt. (A./Capt.) Brian Cawes Rigden, M.C., Ox. & Bucks, L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of a company in the second line under heavy shell fire. Throughout the fighting he handled his company with the greatest skill, continually pushed forward patrols to keep in touch

with the forward battalions, and engaged the enemy when a gap had occurred. From the outset he sent most valuable information to headquarters, keeping the forward battalions informed of the situation on their flanks, and missing no opportunity to engage the enemy with overhead fire and by patrols, and collecting and reorganising stragglers. He performed splendid service:

(M.C. gazetted 19th August, 1916.)

T./Capt. Lancelot Dykes Spicer, M.C., Yorks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He constantly carried out successful reconnaissances regardless of personal safety and brought back valuable information. On one occasion, when the enemy had pressed round the flank of the brigade, he assisted the reserve battalion to get into position, and encouraged the men by his example under heavy fire.

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

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Geoffrey Henry Stead, M.C., Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. When the enemy had broken through on the left flank this officer took the personnel of his trench mortar battery and helped to form a defensive flank; and he handled his men so ably that they were enabled to inflict serious casualties on the advancing enemy. He showed great coolness and inspired his men with confidence.

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

Capt. (A./Maj.) William Swinton, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. Having got his guns away, he gathered a few infantry and took up a position on the flank of another battery to defend its flank until the teams could arrive; he handled his small party with great skill, causing many casualties among the enemy. On learning that they were cut off from behind, he held the enemy off until the guns were disabled, and retired with the infantry until they fought their way back. Later, when encountering a party of the enemy, he personally took one of them prisoner.

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

Capt. (A./Maj.) Robert Taylor, M.C., R.A.M.C., S.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of an advanced dressing station. He worked with untiring energy, attending to and supervising the loading on to cars of all cases. The dressing station was hit several times, and eventually came under machine-gun fire, but he succeeded in clearing all wounded. He showed fine determination and devotion to duty.

(M.C. gazetted 16th August, 1917.)

Lt. (T./Capt.) Bertram Temple, M.C., Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in commanding his company with skill and coolness throughout the operations. He conducted two withdrawals, being the last man to leave, and through a trying time, by