

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Claude Graham Druce, 1/8th Bn., Notts. and Derby. R., T.F.

He showed most determined gallantry in command of a company during the attack on Regnicourt, Andigny les Fernes Road, on 17th October, 1918. Finding that the troops on his right had lost direction in the fog, leaving a gap of 1,000 yards, he continued to advance, under heavy machine-gun fire, and rushed the first and second enemy positions. He then found that the enemy had worked round his flank, but pushed on to his final objective and held it with the enemy all round him until relieved an hour later.

2nd Lt. Edward Drury, 7th Bn., Notts. and Derby. R., T.F. (attd. 1st Bn.).

Near Oppy, between the 5th and 8th October, 1918, for marked ability and gallantry in the handling of his platoon. On several occasions he drove the enemy back and occupied his posts after stiff fighting, thus enabling our line to advance. On one occasion he drove off three enemy counter-attacks in one day, after very determined opposition.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) William Henry Duff, R. Fus., attd. 9th Bn.

During the whole operations near Epehy, 18th to 26th September, 1918, he did excellent work. On the 18th he led his company to the attack, keeping direction under most difficult circumstances. On the 21st he again led his company to the attack, and when the battalion was held up he reorganised it and initiated another attack in the afternoon. On the 24th, when the enemy counter-attacked strongly, he organised the defence. Throughout his cool courage and ability were a fine example to all.

2nd Lt. Cecil Duffy, R. Welsh Fus., attd. 26th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership. On 16th October, 1918, near Wez Macquart, he was in command of a strong fighting patrol, advancing well in front of the remainder of his company. On gaining the first objective he reorganised and pushed on very quickly to the second objective under heavy M.G. fire. He then led a party forward, and by energetic covering fire kept the enemy sufficiently engaged to enable his patrol to push on. By his personal efforts and example he inspired all ranks and did much towards hastening the retreat of the enemy.

Lt. (A./Capt.) John Duigan, R.A.S.C., attd. 7th Bn., E. York. R.

In the attack on Neuville, on the morning of 20th October, 1918, he displayed great initiative in assembling his company across the River Selle fifteen minutes before zero, in spite of heavy M.G. and rifle fire, thereby enabling his company to escape the enemy barrage. On reaching the first objective he led a platoon forward, rushing two M.G. posts, in the course of which operation about thirty prisoners were captured. He has consistently shown great gallantry and ability to command.

T./2nd Lt. George Herbert Dunlop, E. Lan. R., attd. 1/5th Bn., T.F.

At Miraumont, on 24th August, 1918,

during the assault that captured the village and several hundred prisoners, he commanded one of the leading platoons. He led his men forward with fine determination through heavy rifle and machine-gun fire. Arrived at the village he led his platoon successfully against several nests of the enemy that were still holding out, inflicting heavy casualties in killed and prisoners. Throughout he displayed marked courage.

2nd Lt. William Dunlop, M.M., 51st Bty., 39th Bde., R.F.A.

Near Rejet-de-Beaulieu, on 29th October, 1918, he gallantly brought up an 18-pounder gun in daylight to within 600 yards of the enemy's line, and knocked out three houses from which enemy machine-gun fire was holding up the advance of the infantry. This action enabled the infantry to get forward at once to their objectives. His previous reconnaissance, judgment and execution ensured the success of the operation he was supporting.

Lt. William Percy Dunstone, 226th Sge. Bty., R.G.A.

At Veerke, on the 31st October, 1918, the battery was in action supporting an infantry attack, when it was heavily engaged by the enemy with gas and high explosive. A direct hit was obtained on the platform of one gun, putting it out of action, and a building adjacent to the guns was set on fire. He personally supervised the removal of all cartridges from the neighbourhood of the fire, and as soon as the flames died down he got his remaining guns into action and completed the shoot.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Cecil Spencer Dyer, 4th Bn., Glouc. R., T.F., attd. 4th Bn., N. Staff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative. Near Sweveghem, on 20th October, 1918, when the battalion was forming up in the assembly position, battalion headquarters was fired on by machine guns from the left rear. Battalion headquarters immediately took up a fire position and engaged the enemy with rifle and machine-gun fire. He dashed out and forced the survivors of the enemy to surrender, accounting for one of them personally.

Lt. George Francis Earle, R.F.A. (S.R.), attd. D/155th Bde.

On 1st October, 1918, as forward observing officer for the brigade, he pushed out in front of Epinoy with the infantry in their attack and telephoned back his information. He then visited all parts of the line through heavy shell fire. He continued to send in valuable information, and in addition shot at and cleared a machine-gun nest which was holding up the infantry. He showed great gallantry and zeal.

Capt. Alexander Gerald Eccles, 2/6th Bn., L'pool R., T.F.

On 21st October, 1918, north of Froyennes he showed great courage and persistence in repeatedly attacking and harassing, under very heavy fire, hostile machine-gun and trench-mortar posts covering the west bank of the river, after his leading platoon had