

yards in front of our line to discover if the enemy had withdrawn, and brought back most valuable information. Again, near Sweveghem, on 20th October, when in command of the leading company in the attack, he showed most gallant leadership until the objective was finally reached.

Lt. Clement Hetherwick, A. and S. Highrs., attd. 1/7th Bn., T.F.

For marked gallantry and determination at Thiant on 21st and 22nd October, 1918. Several times he made a careful reconnaissance of the River Ecaillon, though repeatedly fired on by machine guns and snipers. He crossed with two men and located a machine gun, worked round the flanks, and rushed it. He brought back the gun, recrossing the river under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire. Later, he made a very gallant attempt to cross the river with a platoon.

T./2nd Lt. James O'Neill Hewitt, 7th Bn., attd. 1st Bn., R. Innis. Fus.

For marked gallantry and initiative. On the 14th October, 1918, near Ledeghem, he collected a few men and personally led a charge on an enemy battery, killing the teams, thereby putting the guns out of action. His company captured many prisoners and machine guns. Early in the attack his company commander became a casualty, and assuming command he was mainly responsible for it reaching the objective in the scheduled time.

2nd Lt. Denis Hickey, 2nd Bn., Leins. R.

He led his platoon with great gallantry and ability in the attack near Ledeghem on the 14th October, 1918. Keeping his men well in hand and collecting those who had got lost in the fog, he dealt with considerable opposition, capturing many prisoners and machine guns. Again, on the 20th October, during the attack on Staceghem, he did excellent work.

T./Lt. William Hickey, M.B., R.A.M.C., attd. 8th Bn., E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as battalion medical officer on the 18th September, 1918, near Ronsoy. Early in the attack he established his aid post at a main cross roads and remained there for several hours under heavy shelling. He then went forward and attended to the wounded in the open wherever he could find them. His devotion to duty saved many lives.

2nd Lt. Frank Hickman, Worc. R., Spec. Res., attd. 2/8th Bn., T.F.

He was in charge of a platoon on the 24th October, 1918, when two companies made a flanking attack upon the villages of Sommaing and Vendegies. This attack was held up by a highly organised trench system, protected by a broad belt of wire, the existence of which was unknown to the attacking troops. Under heavy fire he reorganised the attack and most gallantly got his platoon forward, section by section, forcing the enemy to withdraw and enabling the whole line to continue the advance.

T./Lt. Walter Edward Hicks, 19th Bn., North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and good work. On the 14th October, 1918, near Moorseele, while in command of the divisional observers, he carried out two daring reconnaissances and sent back valuable reports to division headquarters. He pushed forward in advance of our leading troops through heavy machine-gun fire, ascertained the enemy dispositions with accuracy, and then returned with the information gained. He was wounded while doing so.

T./2nd Lt. William Andrew Stewart Hill, 8th Bn., M.G. Corps.

During the operations from the 6th to 14th October, 1918, he was in charge of a section of four machine guns, which he handled with great dash and gallantry. On the night 6th-7th October, 1918, he was ordered forward in support of the infantry who were attacking Hollow Copse, near Fresnes. He made a speedy reconnaissance under heavy machine-gun fire, mounted his guns in advantageous positions, and gave great support to the infantry attack.

T./2nd Lt. Clifford Hindmarsh, 8th Bn., Glouc. R.

South-west of Bermerain, on 23rd October, 1918, he led forward his platoon with the greatest gallantry. He attacked in turn a succession of hostile machine-gun nests, and by his initiative, coolness, and determination succeeded in establishing the left front of the battalion on its final objective and taking some fifty prisoners, including two officers.

T./2nd Lt. Charles Henry Hirst, Hamps. R. (EGYPT.)

In the attack on a hill near Wadi Ayun on the 19th September, 1918, he led his platoon with marked courage and with such dash that the enemy were completely overwhelmed. The early capture of this strong tactical position enabled the battalion to sweep on their further objectives with a minimum of casualties. During this attack 2nd Lieut. Hirst, with one man, captured a machine gun and compelled the crew to surrender before they had fired twenty rounds.

2nd Lt. George Robertson Dow Hodge, 1/6th Bn., R. Highrs., T.F.

During operations of 24/26th October, 1918, near Monchaux and Thiant, he did exceptionally fine work in leading his platoon. Later, when all other officers of his company were casualties, he assumed command, and when the company was subjected to a very heavy gas and high-explosive barrage, and the platoon compelled to fall back, he rallied his men with the greatest gallantry and brought them back to the original line, thereby saving a critical situation.

T./Lt. Charles Joseph Hodgins, 6th Bn., Tank Corps.

On 5th November, 1918, he was in command of a whippet Tank near Bavai. He showed great courage and an unusual appreciation of the tactical situation. He went behind the enemy lines three times, each