

T./Lt. Willis Shaw, R. Lan. R., attd. 1/4th Bn., T.F.

For great gallantry and devotion to duty at Ere on 21st October, 1918. He initiated a successful attack upon the village of Ere, west of Tournai, which was strongly defended by the enemy with machine guns. After making a personal reconnaissance of the enemy positions under fire, he disposed his platoon so skilfully that, in spite of stubborn opposition, the village was captured and cleared. When leading the final assault over open ground, he was severely wounded.

T./2nd Lt. Henry Foxwell Sherborne, 34th Divl. Sig. Coy., R.E.

During the operations near Moen on 25th October, 1918, he showed conspicuous gallantry and energy under shell and machine-gun fire. He had organised a most efficient system of communications prior to the battle, which he maintained throughout the operations. On the five or six occasions when the lines to the forward battalions were cut he went out under heavy fire to ensure there was no delay in their being repaired.

T./Capt. Ernest Arnold Shingleton, 17th Bn., R.W. Fus.

On 29th October, 1918, at Englefontaine during a raid on the enemy line his company was thrown into confusion by heavy shell fire. He at once reorganised and led them forward, accounting for about 40 dead and 30 prisoners. His coolness and courage were a very fine example to all ranks. On 4th November, during the attack on Mormal Forest, he again led his company through the mist to their objective.

T./2nd Lt. Charles Frederick William Simpson, M.M., R. Welsh Fus., attd. 26th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 4th October, 1918, near Wez Macquart he volunteered to take out a patrol to gain touch with the unit on his flank as the situation of an exposed flank had become critical. He set out in daylight, covering over two miles, being under persistent and direct machine-gun fire for over three hours. He succeeded in his object, thereby rendering most valuable assistance to his battalion.

T./Lt. Joshua Skinner, Glouc. R., attd. 8th Bn.

South-west of St. Martin, on 21st, 22nd and 23rd October, 1918, when two company commanders became casualties, he took command of the companies and led them forward with great courage and determination to the final objective. Later, he took forward the support company and established them some 800 yards in front of the original objective of the battalion. As a result some 120 prisoners and 10 machine guns were captured.

T./Lt. George Edward Herbert Slater, 1st Bn., Bord. R.

For great gallantry and devotion to duty near Hoogemolen on 22nd October, 1918. He held his company together in the assembly position when subjected to heavy shell fire. Later, he led them to the assault and penetrated the enemy's lines to a depth of 1,500 yards. With his strength reduced

to 19 rifles, he held on for some time and then withdrew to a fresh position and consolidated.

Lt. (actg. Capt.) John J. Slater, 8th Bn., attd. 2/7th Bn., R. War. R. (T.F.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Sommaing, on 24th October, 1918. During an attack he led forward several parties of men under extremely heavy machine-gun and rifle fire. He set a fine example to his company throughout the operation, and it was chiefly through his efforts that a bridge was erected across the River Ecaillon.

T./2nd Lt. Clarence Douglas Slatford, Essex R. (EGYPT)

On the 19th September, 1918, at Kefr Kasim, whilst in command of a company, he showed great gallantry. His company came under very heavy enfilade machine-gun fire while advancing. He rushed forward to the leading wave, and by his example encouraged the wave to continue the advance. He afterwards quickly reorganised the remainder of his company very coolly and effectively.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Henry William Smail, R.F.A., Spec. Res., attd. H.Q., 156th Bde.

On 23rd October, 1918, during the advance through Forest, after his brigade commander had been wounded, he assumed command of the brigade, and immediately got in touch with all batteries, who were advancing at the time in close support of the infantry. He also maintained touch with both infantry brigades, and continued to carry on single-handed with great gallantry and ability until relieved by a battery commander that night.

Lt. Howard Hazlehurst Smetham, Oxford. Hrs.

On 25th October, 1918, he with his troop seized La Croisette and the high ground overlooking Villers Pol, thereby advancing our line a mile to a point from which good observation was obtainable. He consolidated the position, which he handed over to the infantry at dark. He has on previous occasions displayed conspicuous gallantry and initiative, notably on 30th September, when he went forward, dismounted, with his two Hotchkiss rifle teams under heavy machine-gun fire, and placed them in positions to bring fire to bear on the enemy.

T./Lt. Arthur Wedgewood Giffard Smith, 7th Bn., Bedf. R., attd. 2nd Bn.

During the attack on Preux au Bois on the 4th November, 1918, while acting as battalion intelligence officer, he showed great skill in marking out the route for the approach march and getting the battalion into position on a very dark night. Subsequently, when the situation was obscure, he went forward under heavy fire, and got in touch with all the companies, and established a report centre practically in the front line, sending back information which was invaluable in dealing with enemy strong points.