

T./2nd Lt. John Vincent Staples, R. Dub. Fus., attd. 2nd Bn.

For marked gallantry and determined leadership, being with his platoon the first to cross the River Selle, east of St. Benin, on the 17th October, 1918, under heavy machine-gun fire, and to obtain a lodgment on the further bank, which enabled the remainder of his company to cross. Although wounded in the leg, he continued to command his platoon till he reached the final objective nearly twelve hours later.

2nd/Lt. William Starkey, 7th Bn., W. Rid. R., T.F., attd. 2nd Bn.

During the operations on the 24th October, 1918, against the high ground east of Verchain he displayed conspicuous gallantry in leading his platoon. On one occasion, when the front company was held up, he led his platoon round the enemy's flank, and by bringing his Lewis gun into action he killed an enemy machine-gun crew and enabled the advance to continue. On another occasion with a few men he attacked a strongly held quarry, gained his objective, taking three machine guns and over fifty prisoners, including two officers.

T./2nd Lt. Frederick John Stebbing, Glou. R., attd. 2/5th Bn., T.F.

For great gallantry and determined leadership. At Maresches, on 1st November, 1918, he led the leading platoon of his company in a night attack on enemy positions. The company came under heavy enemy machine-gun and rifle fire, and he led his men forward, killing many of the enemy and capturing several machine guns and prisoners. He afterwards assisted in reorganising the company in preparation for an attack next day, which was entirely successful.

T./2nd Lt. George Edward Stedman, 2nd. attd. 8th, Bn., E. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and good work east of Ronsoy on the 19th/20th September, 1918. He took out patrols and established required posts, capturing a 77 mm. gun and three machine guns. He further reconnoitred the trench for a distance of 320 yards beyond the posts, and located two enemy machine-gun posts. Later, he again took out patrols and re-established the posts which had been driven back.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Walter Crawford Steel, R.F.A., Spec. Res., attd. A/153rd Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and good work. On 14th October, 1918, he pushed forward into Mooreseele and captured four prisoners. He got his guns up at once, and having established communication with battle headquarters, brought fire to bear on several points where infantry reported machine guns to be located. On 15th, he again pushed forward, and under heavy fire, shot with a captured 4.2 in. gun with open sights at the enemy at 700 yards range.

Lt. Frank Harold Steggall, 46th (N. Mid.) Div. Sig. Coy., R.E., T.F., attd. 139th Infy. Bde., H.Q.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion

to duty during an attack by the brigade at Bellenglise on 29th September, 1918, and again during an attack against Ramicourt on 3rd October, 1918. He was in command of the brigade signal section, and on several occasions personally supervised the laying of lines forward from advanced brigade headquarters to battalion headquarters under heavy shell fire. His control and energy were instrumental in keeping communications intact.

2nd Lt. Arthur Chapman Stephenson, 4th Bn., E. York. R., T.F., attd. 17th Bn., Lancs. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack across the Roulers-Menin Railway, west of Courtrai, on 14th October, 1918. He led his men in face of heavy machine-gun fire, with great coolness and ability. He encountered numerous enemy posts in his advance, and all of these he captured by his dash and skill, with a minimum of loss to his platoon.

Lt. Edmund Vernor Stephenson, R.F.A. (S.R.), attd. D/107th Bde., attd. H.Q., R.A., 24th Div.

For conspicuous gallantry and good work. During the attack on Haussy on 20th October, 1918, when information of the progress of the attack was very difficult to obtain owing to heavy shell fire, he went forward and brought back very valuable information. He then went out again and obtained accurate information of the position of the front of the brigade on the left. His information was the first received at infantry brigade headquarters.

2nd Lt. Harry Steward, Shrops. L.I., Spec. Res., attd. 1/7th Bn., Ches. R., T.F.

During the operations near Menin on 14th October, 1918, he led his platoon with great courage and skill. In the mist and smoke several strong points had been passed by the first waves, and he surrounded and captured these places together with several machine guns and prisoners. Having completed his task he collected his men and filled up a gap in the line, establishing communication with the unit on his right.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Donald Ian Stewart, 1st Bn., R. Highrs.

He showed conspicuous gallantry when under machine-gun fire, and by clever leading succeeded in capturing the southern portion of Wassigny on the 18th October, 1918, with comparatively few casualties. He worked energetically throughout the operation, the success of which was largely due to his personal efforts.

T./2nd Lt. William Stewart, 10th Bn., Tank Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty west of Landrecies on the 2nd/4th November, 1918. He was attached to a composite section moving off for an attack on Happegarbes on the morning of 2nd November. During the approach march one tank broke down. It was solely due to his coolness and strenuous personal efforts that this tank was enabled to take part in the