

Capt. (temp. Maj.) Chester William Todd, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He handled his battery with the greatest courage and initiative throughout the operations. He carried out the most careful observations, enabling him to bring accurate fire to bear in support of the infantry.

Capt. and Bt. Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) William Francis Richmond Webb, Punjabis, I.A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although wounded, he handled his battalion with the greatest courage and initiative. He set a splendid example to his men.

Temp. Lt. Reuben Wright, Yorks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He assumed command of and led his battalion with the greatest courage and initiative. He succeeded in reorganising and consolidating the position under very heavy fire.

AUSTRALIAN FORCE.

Maj. Michael Shanahan, Light H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He organised and maintained the outpost line with the greatest courage and determination. Later, he rescued several wounded men under very heavy fire. He was wounded.

CANADIAN FORCE.

Maj. Lawrence Vincent Moore Cosgrave, Fd. A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He carried out several reconnaissances under very heavy fire, and explored the enemy's wire in daylight, displaying the greatest courage and ability throughout.

Maj. William Wasbrough Foster, Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He detailed two patrols, and himself led a third under heavy fire, and obtained most valuable information. Later, he carried out a successful attack, and captured his objective. He displayed the greatest courage and initiative throughout.

Maj. John Keiler MacKay, Fd. A.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. When the personnel of his O.P. had become casualties, he went forward under very heavy fire and re-established the O.P. 200 yards beyond our front line, and resumed communication with his battery. He remained forward all day, commanding his battery from this exposed position, and sending back most valuable information.

Temp. Maj. William Reginald Patterson, Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led the attacking force with the greatest courage and determination, and captured two of the enemy's trenches. Later, he organised bombing attacks, and consolidated the position, sending back most valuable information.

Temp. Maj. Alexander Thomas Thomson, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He commanded and handled his battalion under very trying circumstances with the greatest courage and ability. He has previously done very fine work.

SOUTH AFRICAN CONTINGENT.

Temp. Lt.-Col. Edward Francis Thackeray, C.M.G., Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He commanded his own battalion and other units with the greatest courage and initiative, repulsing an enemy attack made by nine and a half battalions. He set a splendid example to his men throughout the operations.

Temp. Capt. Leonard Warren Tomlinson, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his company against an enemy trench with the greatest courage and initiative, killing thirty-two of the enemy, and capturing two officers, seventy men, and a machine-gun. He was wounded.

The undermentioned has been awarded a second Bar to his Distinguished Service Order for a subsequent act of conspicuous gallantry:—

2nd Lt. (temp. Capt.) Albert Ball, D.S.O., M.C., Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He attacked three hostile machines and brought one down, displaying great courage and skill. He has brought down eight hostile machines in a short period, and has forced many others to land.

(The Distinguished Service Order was awarded in London Gazette dated 26th Sept. 1916. First Bar was awarded in London Gazette dated 26th Sept. 1916.)

The undermentioned have been awarded a Bar to their Distinguished Service Order for subsequent acts of conspicuous gallantry:—

Capt. Stuart Grant-Dalton, D.S.O., York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He attacked two hostile aeroplanes, although quite unsupported. Later, after being attacked by another enemy machine and wounded in three places, he brought his machine back and landed safely.

(The Distinguished Service Order was awarded in London Gazette dated 27th July 1916.)

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Francis Aylmer Maxwell, V.C., C.S.I., D.S.O., 18th Lrs., Ind. Army.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his battalion with the greatest courage and initiative. Later, he reorganised three battalions and consolidated the position under very heavy fire. He has previously done very fine work.

(The Distinguished Service Order was awarded in the London Gazette dated 20th May 1898.)