

party was wounded. He then took charge of both parties and completed the work in a most efficient and expeditious manner.

T./2nd Lt. Henry Robert Blaker, 14th Bn., Tank Corps.

For marked gallantry and coolness near Preux on 4th November. He pressed forward with his Tank under direct fire from two field guns, killed a large number of the enemy, and finally caused all opposition to cease. He then returned and brought on the infantry and successfully cleared the whole of the eastern portion of Preux. Throughout he set a very fine example to his crew.

Lt. John Bland, Ches. R., Spec. Res., attd. 1st Bn.

For most conspicuous gallantry and good leadership in the attack on Beaurain, north of Le Cateau, on the 23rd October, 1918. When his company suffered very heavy casualties from shell fire both in the march up to and in the assembly position he showed great coolness in rallying his men. Later, he captured single-handed, five enemy machine guns and took forty-seven prisoners. He did splendid work.

T./2nd Lt. Rowland Bland, North'n R., attd. 6th Bn.

For marked gallantry and able leadership of a storming party on the evening of 21st September, 1918, near Ronsoy. After skilful reconnaissance of the enemy position he brought his party forward and stormed the trench, capturing the whole post and forty-eight prisoners, and killing about twenty of the enemy with a loss of three casualties slightly wounded.

T./Capt. Wilfred Lawrence Blow, 9th Bn., Yorks. R.

At Belle Vue Farm, on 5th October, 1918, he led his company with great skill and gallantry, capturing the farm and taking thirty prisoners. On 9th October, at St. Benin, he made a most daring and valuable reconnaissance of the line, getting across and only returning when held up by an enemy post.

2nd Lt. Rodney Clarence Mortimer Bond, R.F.A. (S.R.), attd. B/286th (W. Lancs.) Bde., R.F.A. (T.F.).

Near Mouvres, on the 27th September, 1918, the battery was under heavy shell fire. He, by his courage and devotion to duty, maintained perfect fire discipline in his section. He was continually round his guns, encouraging his non-commissioned officers and men, and in consequence the barrage was fired without a hitch. He set a very fine example to all ranks.

T./Lt. Mark Boniface, 5th Bn., Conn. Rang.

For marked gallantry and devotion to duty at Le Cateau on the night of the 10th/11th October, 1918. During the attack on the town his platoon was held up by enemy machine guns, he led a charge at the barricade well in advance of the

remainder and succeeded in driving out the enemy who had been holding up the advance. Throughout the operations he behaved splendidly.

Capt. Charles Evelyn Boosey, 1/1st County of Lond. Yeo. (EGYPT)

Near Wadi esh Sherar, on the 24th Sept., 1918, when his squadron leader was killed, he took command of the squadron and handled it with the greatest skill and gallantry, charged down the hostile rearguard, capturing some 3,000 prisoners, one field gun and a number of machine guns. Throughout his work was extremely valuable.

T./2nd Lt. John Thomas Borrow, 14th Bn., Tank Corps.

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the Forest of Mormal, on 4th Nov., 1918, whilst leading his infantry into action, he was completely cut off from the infantry, and his tank surrounded by the enemy. Hostile fire having put out of action his 6-pounder and three of his machine guns, he continued to fight with revolvers, and eventually compelled a large enemy strong point to surrender.

Capt. Henry Fergusson Brace, D.S.O., 15th Hrs.

On 10th Nov., 1918, when in command of a squadron advancing from Tournai towards Ath, he handled his squadron with conspicuous ability and dash. It was due to his quick appreciation and dauntless determination that the village of Ligne was taken, and later that a machine gun, which had hitherto held up the advance, was captured, thus enabling the force to cross the river Dendre. He did excellent work.

T./2nd Lt. William Herbert Brace, D.C.M., 19th Bn., Welsh R.

For marked courage and initiative in command of a platoon attached to a company of infantry for consolidation of the final objective in the operations of 20th Oct., 1918, north-east of Le Cateau. When the attack was checked by wire he joined the infantry, reorganised the attack, and captured the position. He mopped up enemy positions and dug-outs in a quarry, and later caught up the advance and rendered valuable assistance in taking the final objective.

T./Qrmr. and Capt. Percy Bradshaw, 7th Bn., Wilts. R.

For great gallantry and good work during operations east of Bony from, 4th to 6th Oct., 1918, and south of Le Cateau, from 16th to 18th Oct., 1918. As quartermaster he carried out his duties with untiring energy. He never failed to bring rations and comforts to the men throughout, although at times under very heavy shell fire. His coolness and skill in dealing with difficult situations were admirable.

Capt. Edmund Beresford Brasier-Creagh, A./84th Bde., R.F.A.

For great gallantry as a battery commander during the advance to Le Cateau, 29th Sept. to 23rd Oct., 1918, and especially