

Capt. Alfred James Powley, New Zealand Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid on the enemy's trenches. His party was heavily encumbered by eight wounded, one dead man, and nine prisoners, but with great determination he got them all in safely.

The undermentioned Officers have been awarded a Bar to their Military Cross for subsequent acts of conspicuous bravery:—

2nd Lt. (temp. Lt.) Ralph Adams, R. War. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during a raid on the enemy's trenches. Under close fire he cut the enemy's wires with torpedoes. He then bombed his way along the enemy's trench, killing three of the enemy himself, and held a barricade till reinforced.

(The Military Cross was awarded in London Gazette dated 14th Jan. 1916.)

Capt. Leoline Jenkins, R.G.A. and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and skill. He has done much fine work for the artillery, often under very difficult circumstances. On one occasion he flew for a long time at a very low altitude under continual machine-gun and artillery fire.

(The Military Cross was awarded in London Gazette dated 3rd June, 1916.)

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men for acts of gallantry and devotion to duty in the field.

G5120 Pte. T. Abrey, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry. When portions of two companies had become detached this N.C.O. volunteered to go out and get touch with them. This he did and returned safely. Later on he again went to the detached parties and brought them in.

10019 Actg. Coy. S./M. P. W. Adams, Dorset R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After being buried and rendered unconscious, he refused to leave the lines until given a direct order, and then returned after two hours. He set a splendid example of coolness and courage to all ranks with him.

8939 Sjt. J. Afford, Bedf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. When his Company Commander was brought in wounded, he carried him back under heavy shell and machine gun fire. Believing that all his company officers had become casualties he took charge, and sent in a good report of the situation though suffering from shock after being wounded and buried.

18155 Pte. L. Alder, Wilts R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He attacked single-handed with bombs, and silenced an enemy machine gun which was causing heavy casualties. In doing this he was wounded.

1468 Sjt. H. J. Allen, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. While advancing under heavy fire he

rallied his men and stood fast, after receiving a doubtful order to retire, until he had definitely ascertained that the order was correct.

41324 Cpl. T. L. Allen, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry when mending telephone wires under heavy shell fire during operations. He was struck five times by pieces of shell, and was blown over three times by explosions. On one occasion with the assistance of one man he captured 23 of the enemy, though he was armed with only one single bomb.

G.4946 L./Cpl. R. M. Ashton, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He held the enemy with his bombing squad for two hours, finally broke through and materially assisted the advance.

17805 Pte. J. A. Aspinall, York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry during an advance. Although twice wounded he continued to push on until wounded a third time. He exhibited the greatest bravery and devotion, and set a fine example to all with him.

2500 Sjt. P. Attwood, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in organising a successful bombing resistance for a whole day against an enemy bombing attack on a captured second line trench. Later he led a party, which drove the enemy from several positions from which they could harass our men. In these operations he was wounded.

31540 Sjt. H. Bagenal, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. He was in charge of the stretcher-bearers, and carried out his work with the greatest coolness and bravery under intense shell fire. On one occasion he carried an urgent message at great personal risk to a Medical Officer of another battalion.

13099 Pte. T. F. Baird, R. Scots.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations. As linesmen Privates Baird and Whewell maintained communications under very heavy shell fire at a critical time. On another occasion they performed similar gallant work.

8834 Pte. F. Banner, Worc. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous bravery and devotion in going over the parapet under intense rifle and artillery fire, and carrying in many wounded men of his own regiment and any others he could find. He did this on many occasions, and his courage and total disregard of personal danger contributed to save many lives.

7721 Coy. S./M. F. E. Barker, Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. At a critical moment in the attack he assisted his officer to organise a party of about forty men of different units with which a crater was manned and held. Finally they kept the enemy in check with some of the enemy's own bombs which they found. They were subjected throughout to heavy artillery and bomb attacks by the enemy.

9 S./M. H. Barker, W. York. R.

For conspicuous bravery and continuous