

Lt.-Col. Frederick Royden Chalmers, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. He filled a dangerous gap between his flank and the next battalion by organising and leading forward his staff of signallers and runners, capturing several prisoners, of whom he himself took three. Under very heavy fire he then pushed on ahead of the objective, and seized a most advantageous position, from which he made a valuable reconnaissance of nearly a mile of the newly-captured front. His initiative and personal courage were a splendid inspiration to his battalion.

Lt. Clapton Edginton Davis, M.C., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. He led his own company and another with splendid dash, and took a position of great importance to the advance. His devotion to duty and absolute fearlessness won the admiration of all ranks, and his brilliant work and example materially assisted in the success of the operation.

Maj. Frederick Neill Le Messurier, A.M. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was continuously in the front line during both stages of an attack, assisting in collecting and arranging for the prompt disposal of the wounded to the rear. He behaved splendidly, and by his untiring efforts and a complete disregard of his own safety he greatly assisted the brigade throughout.

Lt.-Col. John McArthur, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership. Having personally supervised all preliminary arrangements, he carried out a night attack on the enemy's well-organised trench lines, which was entirely successful. He remained at work for forty-eight hours, showing a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty which inspired all ranks of the battalion.

Lt.-Col. Stanley Llewellyn Perry, M.C., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an advance. Though early wounded, he refused to leave, and successfully commanded and controlled the capture of the final objective, afterwards directing consolidation and placing the line in a defensive condition. His gallant conduct inspired all ranks.

Lt.-Col. Arthur Mitchell Wilson, A.M. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack, while in charge of bearer divisions. He followed close on the heels of the infantry into captured villages, establishing bearer posts, and effected the evacuation of the wounded with remarkable rapidity. He worked splendidly throughout, and by his untiring devotion to duty saved a number of lives.

NEW ZEALAND FORCE.

Maj. Thomas Farr, M.C., Field Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Under the very heavy shell fire that the enemy were directing on his battery, he walked up and down behind the guns, encouraging his men and directing their fire with the greatest coolness and composure. He set a splendid example which greatly helped the excellent fine discipline of his men.

Maj. James Hargest, M.C., Otago R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an advance. He commanded his battalion with marked ability. His tactical dispositions were excellent, and he secured and forwarded valuable information. Constantly in the front trenches he inspired all ranks with the keenest offensive spirit, and the uninterrupted success of the battalion operations were largely due to his fine personal leadership.

SECOND BAR TO MILITARY CROSS.

T./Capt. Roger Baskett, M.C., K.R.R.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and skill. He maintained all the posts of his company against a heavy enemy attack, sending back valuable information to headquarters. He handled his men with great ability, setting a fine example of personal courage to all under his command.

(M.C. gazetted 25th November, 1916—
Bar gazetted 25th August, 1917.)

Capt. Percy Bentley, M.C., Yorks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the situation in front was still obscure, he went forward under heavy enemy shell fire and organised the defence of the line, bringing back most valuable information. During the whole of the operations his example of untiring energy and his disregard of his own safety were conspicuous and worthy of high praise.

(M.C. gazetted 1st January, 1917—
Bar gazetted 16th September, 1918.)

Lieut. (A./Maj.) William Gunn Mackay, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. He showed fine initiative and disregard for danger, personally observing shoots and sending in valuable information, some of which he had to join the infantry to collect. Though suffering from the effects of mustard gas, he carried out his duties with great coolness and devotion to duty, until blinded by the effects of gas. He behaved splendidly.

(M.C. gazetted 26th September, 1917—
Bar gazetted 24th September, 1918.)

T./Capt. (A./Maj.) Aubrey Clifford Lidstone Nicholson, M.C., E. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and ability during an enemy attack. When sent forward to clear up the situation, he established posts at important points, re-organised scattered units under heavy fire.