made repeated attacks the whole of the 18th and 19th, enfilading the trench with machine-gun fire, he held on in spite of heavy casualties.

Capt. Cuthbert Avenal John Vernon, I. Gds., Spec. Res., attd. 1st Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 26th/27th September, 1918, during the attack on Flesquieres. In the evening he laid the tapes to mark out the assembly positions for the battalion, only 250 yards from the front line, and directed the companies in the dark to their places. The next morning, when some confusion was caused by the intense hostile barrage, he collected stragglers and reorganised the battalion on its objective.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Edward Rayson Venables, 112th By., 24th Bde., R.F.A.

During an attack in Holnon Wood on 18th September, 1918, he advanced his battery through the wood, which was being heavily shelled with gas and high explosive, and brought his guns into action in time to cover the attack on the second objective. By his determination and courage, great execution was done at very close range, thereby materially helping the infantry in their successful advance.

2nd Lt. Arthur Henry Villiers, K.R.R.C., Spec. Res., attd. 16th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Villers Guislain on the night of 23rd/24th September, 1918, in command of a platoon. The attack was held up by heavy fire from a strong point. When his party were ordered to withdraw at the approach of dawn, he remained behind to see that all his men got away, and after reporting to his commanding officer, collected some volunteers and brought in wounded from "No Man's Land."

Lt. John Leslie Von der Heyde, R. Suss. R., attd. Manch. R. (SALONIKA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the "P" ridge on September 18th, 1918. He was sent forward to ascertain the situation on the "P" ridge at a time when, owing to dust and smoke, no observation was possible. He entered the enemy works alone, and, although subjected to a very heavy machine-gun and trench mortar fire, returned with very valuable information.

Lt. Roy Aylmer Wadeson, 7th Bn., Worc. R., T.F., attd. 7th Bn., Tank Co.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 30th September, 1918, near Sancourt. He met one of his Tank commanders, who informed him that his Tank was ditched 500 yards in front of the infantry. He went to try and release them, as there were machine guns firing from all directions and the men could not get out. Two men were known to be already wounded. He reached the Tank, crawling, and found no men there. When leaving, two men were killed, and he had to pass through a machine-gun and gas barrage, being gassed by a shell which burst in his face. This did not deter him going to the rescue of the crew.

2nd Lt. Thomas William Wakefield, 2/17th Bn., Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Wulverghem on 28th September, 1918. Prior to the assault, he carefully reconnoitred the ground in broad daylight, crawling up to the double crater to select the best method of attacking. He was thus able to handle the company in the attack that night with conspicuous success, overcoming the opposition of an enemy post, and gaining his objective.

2nd Lt. Albert Edward Walter Walder, R.F.A. (Spec. Res.), attd. B/110th Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in front of Maurepas, when he brought his section into action in support of the cavalry in advance of the infantry, and by his fire materially assisted in clearing the ground and discovering a hostile battery firing at close range, which he silenced. His courage and powers of leadership were of a very high order.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Edmund de Warrenne Waller, 72nd Punjabis, attd. 53rd Sikhs, I.A. (EGYPT)

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership near Tabsor during a raid on enemy trenches 27th-28th July, 1918. He commanded the raiding party, and inspired his men throughout by his courage and example. He personally led the charge on the last strong point, in which all the prisoners were captured, killing one enemy with his revolver.

T./Capt. Bertram Henry Wallis, R.A.S.C., attd. 1/1st Bn., Cambs. Reg., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry on 9th August, 1918, near Morlancourt. He led his company forward with the greatest dash, reached the objective, and captured many prisoners and seven machine guns. The success of the attack was largely due to the clever manner in which he manœuvred his company over a very difficult piece of ground. He did splendid work.

Lt. Percy Albert Wallis, R.G.A. (Spec. Res.). (SALONIKA)

He acted as brigade observation officer during operations on the 18th September, 1918, and, as such, went forward with the infantry on the "P" ridge. In the face of very heavy hostile fire he got into communication, and was able to send back news of the attack, retiring only at the last moment when the last elements of the infantry came back to a new line. He showed marked courage in maintaining the post, and finally withdrew his men skilfully.

2nd Lt. Ernest Ward, A/56th Bde., R.F.A.

As brigade liaison officer on 14th September, 1918, his wire was cut in over twenty places between 2 a.m. and 11 a.m.. He maintained communication by runners, and personally maintained the wire in the locality of his post by repairing it many times under continuous high explosive and mustard gas fire. He showed contempt for danger and determination to keep his communications at any cost, and inspired his linesmen with his determination.