

manding officers of the battalions in front of him, with the result that a fresh attack was successfully launched. He did excellent work throughout.

Capt. (A./Maj.) George Anthony MacDermott, M.C., 4th Bn., H.L.I., Secd. 9th Bn., M.G. Corps.

Near Harlebeke, on 17th October, 1918, the bridgehead which had been established during the night was heavily counter-attacked, the bridge being destroyed by artillery fire. He swam the river, which was under a heavy machine-gun and artillery barrage, and so managed to reach his two sections which were heavily engaged. His personal example greatly assisted the repulse of the counter-attack. During the operations extending from 29th September to 22nd October, he has displayed marked ability and coolness in handling his guns at critical periods.

T./Maj. Leonard Charles Mandleberg, M.C., 15th Bn., Lancs. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on the Fonsomme line on 1st/2nd October, 1918. He rendered valuable aid in personal reconnaissances during the action, and, later, in reorganising the defence. He took up supports and tried to rush the position when the Tanks failed to reach their final objective. Later, when an enemy counter-attack was developing, he took command of the firing line, and steadied the men, and brought fire to bear on the enemy. His work throughout was excellent.

T./Maj. Ernest Richard Hallam May, R. Ir. Rif., attd. 1st Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during the attack on Moorseele and Gulleghem on 14th/15th October, 1918. After zero on the 14th he walked through a heavy artillery barrage to visit his battalion. He organised his companies, and, despite a thick fog, ensured that correct direction was kept. For two days he worked unceasingly during the heavy fighting, and by his clear orders and personal example greatly assisted his battalion to reach its objective.

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) William Hilgrove Leslie McCarthy, M.C., R.A.M.C. (Spec. Res.), attd. 19th Fd. Amb.

During the operations connected with the crossing of the Sambre, 4th to 8th November, 1918, he exhibited marked gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of the advanced dressing station and maintained the closest touch with the front line troops, arranging for the immediate evacuation of casualties as they occurred. He worked continuously for three days and three nights, and his energy, able management and devotion to duty saved many lives.

Lt. (A./Maj.) James McLellan, M.C., 446th (North Bn) Fd. Coy., R.E., T.F.

For great gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on the enemy positions east of River Selle, south of Le Cateau, on 17th

October, 1918. For three nights previous to the attack he made valuable reconnaissances of the river in front of our outpost line where the enemy were holding the east bank of the stream. He subsequently organised the bridging of the river, and, on the morning of the 17th, he led his men forward in advance of the infantry and threw his bridges over the stream, thus enabling five battalions of infantry to cross and carry out a most successful operation.

Lt.-Col. Donald Hugh McNeile, 19th Lrs., I.A. (EGYPT)

On the 19th/20th September, 1918, he, with his regiment, covered a distance of some 90 miles from Selmeh to Jisr Mujamia, within 48 hours, during which he seized and prepared for the demolition of the bridge at Jisr Mujamia by daylight. This performance included two consecutive all-night marches over difficult country, and during the whole period there was practically no rest for man or horse. He did fine work.

Capt. (A./Lt. - Col.) Henry Charles Methuen, M.C., 1st Bn., Cam. Highrs.

On 17th October, 1918, near La Vallee Moulatre, for conspicuous gallantry and able leadership. When the advance was held up by heavy machine-gun and artillery fire he made a personal reconnaissance and made such dispositions that the leading companies were enabled to advance again after one skilfully handled platoon had outflanked the machine guns. The position eventually taken by his battalion was of exceptional strength, and 60 machine guns were collected on a front of under 1,000 yards, besides many automatic rifles and four field guns.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Clifford William Morgan, M.C., 5th, attd. 4/5th, Bn., Welsh R., T.F. (EGYPT)

This officer showed the greatest dash and gallantry when the enemy counter-attacked after the capture of Bidston Hill, near Kh. Abu Felah, on the 18th September, 1918. He personally led a bayonet charge which broke up the counter-attack and inflicted serious casualties on the enemy. Later, he took a neighbouring hill with 18 prisoners and two machine guns without artillery support, and his courage and personal example had much to do with the success of the operations entrusted to the battalion on the night of 18th/19th September.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Charles Henry Morris, M.C., Midd'x R., attd 1st Bn., Dorset. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and skilful leading of his battalion on the 29th September, 1918, at Fleche Wood. He led his battalion by short rushes across an open slope under very heavy fire, gained all objectives, and consolidated his new position. The following morning, at 15 minutes' notice, he was ordered to capture the village of Levergies in conjunction with another brigade. He successfully carried out his task up to time. He rendered excellent service.