

Lt. Oscar Roy Howie, Aust. Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. After an enemy mine explosion causing casualties, he organised the rescue parties and led them up to the mine, thereby saving many lives, and performed valuable exploration work underground. He carried out this arduous and dangerous work continually for 24 hours.

Capt. James Stanley Malpas, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great resourcefulness and dash in getting his company into an almost impossible position in the trenches. He was severely wounded.

Lt. Henry McCloskey, Aust. Pnrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led two platoons under very heavy fire on to the ground, where they had to dig a communication trench. Later, although severely wounded, he remained at his post and continued to encourage his men.

Capt. William Taylor, Aust. Pnrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He personally supervised the whole work of his company, which was digging a communication trench in daylight under heavy fire. He set a splendid example throughout.

2nd Lt. William Leo Trenerry, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and determination in the handling of his machine guns under heavy fire, and repelled several enemy attacks.

CANADIAN FORCE.

Lt. Edwin Cowen, Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. After the explosion of a mine, he took charge of the consolidation of two posts under heavy fire, and was mainly responsible for the repulsing of three enemy attacks.

Lt. Angus Archibald McDougall,
P.P.C.L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He carried out a dangerous reconnaissance and obtained most valuable information. Later, although very severely wounded, he continued to direct the operations. He has previously done fine work.

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

Capt. Percy Emil Julge, M.C., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and determination when in charge of a working party who were digging a trench 25 yards from the enemy's front line. He set a splendid example throughout.

(The Military Cross was awarded in London Gazette dated 25th Aug. 1916.)

2nd Lt. (actg. Capt.) Henry William Mends May, M.C., Hamps. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He organised and led an attack against an

enemy strong point which was causing casualties, captured the position together with a machine gun and several prisoners. Later, he reorganised his company under heavy fire, reinforced the front line, and consolidated the captured position.

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

Temp. Lt. (actg. Capt.) Robert Albert Plimpton, M.C., Arg. & Suth'd Highrs., attd. R. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his men in the attack with great courage and determination, capturing his final objective together with an enemy machine gun and 80 prisoners. Later, in conjunction with another officer, he captured 120 more prisoners.

(The Military Cross was awarded in London Gazette dated 11th Dec. 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:—

S/4627 Sjt. Piper T. Aitken, Arg. & Suth'd Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He has performed consistent good work throughout, and has at all times under fire set a splendid example of coolness and courage.

1994 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) J. W. Archer, Camb. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and skill in establishing and maintaining communications at a critical time. He set a splendid example throughout.

53584 Pte. T. Archer, Mach. Gun Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He took charge of a machine gun and proceeded with it to the enemy's front line trenches. He remained in position for forty-three hours until relieved.

Ply. 4594 Colr. Sjt. (A./S./M.) A. J. Banks, R.M.L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led a bombing party with great courage and determination. He was severely wounded.

2145 Cpl. H. L. Barington, Herts. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led a bombing party with great gallantry, and rendered valuable assistance in the consolidation of the position. He has at all times set a splendid example.

89045 Sjt. W. J. Bell, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He displayed great courage and skill in the preparation of a cable, thereby materially assisting in maintaining communication during the attack.