

safety, went out over fire-swept ground, and single-handed rescued four men.

Having collected the wounded of his own battalion, he then assisted to bring in the wounded of an adjoining battalion. On the two subsequent days he carried out similar rescue work with the same disregard of his own safety.

He has on all occasions displayed the same high example of unselfishness and valour.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award a 2nd Bar to the Distinguished Service Order to:—

Major Frederick William Lumsden, D.S.O., R.M.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a strong reconnaissance party. He carried out the task allotted to him with conspicuous success, and skilfully withdrew his party at a critical time. His conduct, rapid decision and good judgment saved many casualties.

(Distinguished Service Order gazetted 1st January, 1917. First Bar awarded in this Gazette.)

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award a Bar to the Distinguished Service Order to:—

Major Frederick William Lumsden, D.S.O., R.M.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made a reconnaissance of the enemy's position, moving over open ground under very heavy fire and bringing back most valuable information. He rendered invaluable services throughout the operations.

(Distinguished Service Order gazetted 1st January, 1917.)

Major James Ross Conrad Meiklejohn, D.S.O., Bord R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when he kept well in touch with battalions, moving about regardless of fire until severely wounded. After having his skull fractured by a shell splinter he continued at work until he had rendered a clear report on the situation.

(Distinguished Service Order gazetted 1st January, 1917.)

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointments of the undermentioned Officers to be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order in recognition of their gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field:—

Capt. (actg. Lt.-Col.) Christopher Galbraith Buckle, M.C., North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion. He visited the captured trenches during the action and gave orders regarding dispositions and consolidation. The dash of his battalion in the attack and their tenacity in holding the position won, were to a considerable extent due to his influence.

Temp. Capt. Charles Frederick Duguid, M.C., Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With 20 men of his company he fought his way through uncut enemy wire and established a strong point in a small length of hostile trench. He maintained his position there for 36 hours in spite of several strong enemy counter-attacks.

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) George William St. George Grogan, C.M.G., Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion. He visited the captured trenches during the action and gave instructions regarding dispositions and consolidation. He kept the brigade informed of the situation, and his reports were of great value. The spirit of his battalion owes much to his personal courage and cheerfulness.

*Lt.-Col. and Bt. Col. Orlando George Gunning, C.M.G., Ind. Army.

For conspicuous coolness and gallant leadership. He led his battalion through heavy enfilade rifle and machine gun fire, and continued to command although twice wounded. By his example he retained the cohesion of his regiment and kept up their fighting spirit under very adverse circumstances.

*Capt. William Ralph Elliot Harrison, R.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He moved his observation ladder to within 700 yards of the enemy's trenches and remained up it throughout the day under very heavy fire. His accurate information was of the greatest value, and his initiative and utter disregard of personal safety beyond all praise.

Temp. Lt. Charles Ernest Storey, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative when in command of a Tank. He took his car up and down the enemy trenches, working until all his petrol was exhausted and only two of the crew were unwounded. He is reported as having been responsible for the taking of between 200 and 300 prisoners.

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) John Vander Byl, Hrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of an advanced squadron. Under very heavy fire he effected an entrance to the village, and shortly after assumed command of another squadron. He cleared the village of the enemy and seized the tactical points in advance. He held all the positions gained until relieved by the Infantry.

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Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) John Vander Byl, Pye, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative when in charge of the whole of the front line held by his battalion. He organised a successful attack and exhibited great energy and determination when meeting a counter-attack made by the enemy. He set a splendid example to those under him.