

Temp. Brig.-Gen. John Gellibrand, D.S.O., Infy. Brig.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His Brigade reached its third objective, but was ordered back owing to the division on the right being held up at the first objective. His Brigade repelled several counter-attacks and held on when the Brigade on the right was in difficulties. It was largely owing to his influence and presence in this advanced position that the operations were successful.

(D.S.O. Gazetted 2nd May, 1916.)

Maj. Noel Medway Loutit, D.S.O., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in laying out the jumping off tape under heavy shell and rifle fire. Later, he took forward a machine gun and platoon, and opened a surprise burst of fire into the enemy, thus relieving the pressure at a critical time. He did not leave the line until the whole front was secure.

(D.S.O. Gazetted 4th June, 1917.)

Lt.-Col Iven Giffard MacKay, D.S.O., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While acting as Brigadier, when the Brigade on the right was broken into by the enemy, the battalion under his orders counter-attacked and assisted to drive out the enemy and restore the position. His action in repelling the counter-attack was of the utmost value, and his prompt action and extreme resolution showed leadership of a high order.

(D.S.O. Gazetted 1st January, 1917.)

Capt. (temp. Maj.) Henry William Murray, V.C., D.S.O., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He gallantly led his company over 1,200 yards of fire-swept ground. Later, he went along the whole frontage, organising the defence, encouraging the men of all units by his cheerfulness and bravery, and always moving to the points of danger. He is not only brave and daring, but a skilful soldier, possessing tactical instinct of the highest order.

(D.S.O. Gazetted 14th November, 1916.)

Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) Robert Smith, D.S.O., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative. By his skilful dispositions he met and held a powerful enemy attack, and personally conducting operations under heavy rifle fire, he counter-attacked, retook the lost ground, and pushed the enemy back for two miles at the point of the bayonet.

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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:—

Temp. 2nd Lt. Charles Frederick Nelson Ambrose, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After his tank had been badly

damaged by shell fire, and all his gunners had become casualties, he continued to keep a brisk fire on the enemy, who were surrounding his tank and attacking it with bombs. His conduct throughout the action displayed the greatest courage.

Capt. (actg. Maj.) John Redmond Barry, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He maintained his position at a very advanced observation post throughout the day, in order to cut wire preparatory to the infantry advancing. Later, he made a reconnaissance and handed in a report which was of the utmost value.

Temp. Capt. the Hon. Arthur Michael Bertie, Rif. Brig.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company. When the attacking company was held up by intense machine gun fire and the situation was becoming critical, he, taking a machine gun with him, advanced to a position where he could engage the enemy machine gun. He subsequently went back alone under the most intense fire and brought up ammunition for his gun. He set a magnificent example to his men.

Capt. William Avery Bishop, Can. Cav., and R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in a single-seater he attacked three hostile machines, two of which he brought down, although in the meantime he was himself attacked by four other hostile machines. His courage and determination have set a fine example to others.

Lt.-Col. Alfred Burt, D.G.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His regiment was ordered forward when the situation was most obscure, and by his skilful leading he was able to seize an important position and thus prevent the enemy from counter-attacking. His personal bravery was a fine example to all.

Maj. Hugh Campbell, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The ammunition lorries were being heavily shelled when he personally drove two of them which were in flames out of the danger zone. He then organised a party to get the fire under and remove ammunition from the vicinity of the flames. This task was carried out under continuous shell fire, and by his prompt action and gallantry undoubtedly saved many lives and averted a disaster.

*2nd Lt. Robert Chichester Durnford, Hants. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although severely wounded he continued to struggle on, encouraging his men for over a mile, when he was again hit, but he would not allow his wounds to be dressed until the position gained had been consolidated.

Maj. Francis FitzGibbon, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He moved his battery up by daylight