

ful raiding party on the enemy lines. He displayed great dash and courage, and set a fine example to those under him.

Lt. Guy Randolph Yerxa, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men to the enemy second line with great courage and skill under heavy fire. Later, he personally superintended the collection of the wounded. He set a splendid example throughout.

NEWFOUNDLAND CONTINGENT.

Lt. Rupert Wilfred Bartlett.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of the company and occupied the forming up trench under heavy fire. When the Division on his right had been repulsed, he organised a party and repulsed a counter-attack. He set a fine example throughout.

Lt. Kevin Joseph Keegan.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed the greatest bravery and resource, and by his personal example maintained a post against overwhelming odds, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy, who were completely checked.

NEW ZEALAND FORCE.

2nd Lt. Harold Speight, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His battery was suddenly subjected to an intense bombardment. He at once went into the open and visited the battery positions and directed the removal of all his men to cover. His prompt action and great courage saved many casualties to the battery.

SOUTH AFRICAN FORCE.

Capt. Tom Roffe, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At the completion of a raid on the enemy trenches he remained behind and assisted another officer to bring in a wounded man. After carrying him 200 yards they were compelled to seek shelter from machine gun fire, later getting the man in after dark.

2nd Lt. Johannes Christoffel Scheepers, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At the completion of a raid on the enemy trenches, he assisted another officer to bring in a wounded man. After carrying him for some distance they were compelled to seek cover from machine gun fire, finally getting the man in under cover of darkness.

* The names marked with an asterisk appeared in the London Gazettes dated either the 17th March, 1917, or 26th April, 1917.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of a Bar to the Distinguished Conduct Medals of the undermentioned Non-Commissioned Officers and Men :—

2/8967 Sit. M. Dreeling, R. Ir. Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He assumed command of a raiding party and gallantly led them to their objective. He was wounded.

D.C.M. gazetted 27th July, 1916.

S/10075 Pte. J. Moreland, Gord. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when acting as battalion runner. He carried an important message a distance of 600 yards across the open under the most intense fire. He has at all times set a splendid example of courage and initiative.

D.C.M. gazetted 14th Nov., 1916.

306206 L./Sjt. A. E. Walker, Notts. & Derby. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great pluck and initiative when in charge of bombing operations on the enemy front line. He knocked out an enemy machine gun by crawling out of the trench and bombing from a flank.

D.C.M. gazetted 24th Jan., 1917.

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 :—

81576 Sjt. G. Adams, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded in two places he, with the help of two officers of his detachment, kept up a quick rate of fire at a critical moment.

2442 Pte. J. Anderson, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although badly wounded he continued to work his gun with great determination. He remained at his post until the operations had ceased.

35296 Sjt. S. E. Andrew, York. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great gallantry and initiative in leading his platoon in the face of heavy machine gun and rifle fire. He set a fine example throughout a trying time.

21009 Pte. A. E. Atkinson, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He attacked an enemy machine gun single handed and captured it. He then carried the gun on to the new position and used it against the enemy.

12096 Pte. (actg. L./Cpl.) G. W. Batchelor, Bedf. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a bombing attack on a farm which was strongly held by the enemy. Later, he rendered valuable service in organising bombing posts to protect his flank. His initiative largely contributed to the success of the operations.

51093 Sjt. F. Bennett, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry. His gun pit having been struck by a shell the wagon gun net and grass began to burn. He very coolly removed the ammunition and put out the fire. He handled his men with coolness and ability.

200478 Pte. G. R. Bennett, Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He volunteered and succeeded in