

Capt. (temp. Lt.-Col.) William Robert Aufrere Dawson, D.S.O., R.W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the situation was somewhat critical he displayed conspicuous bravery in organising the defence. Although his troops were exhausted from prolonged exposure, he completely reorganised the line under heavy shell fire. His total disregard for personal danger was most marked.

(D.S.O. gazetted 15th April, 1916.)

Maj. Ernest Cyril Gepp, D.S.O., D. of Corn. L.I., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He several times visited the assaulting battalions and brought back valuable information. He had on each occasion to pass through heavy barrage and machine-gun fire. His splendid example of coolness and courage were of the greatest value.

(D.S.O. gazetted 14th January, 1916.)

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Christopher Joseph Griffin, D.S.O., Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his battalion with great ability and determination. When the left brigade was out of touch he was mainly responsible for communication being re-established at a critical moment when conditions were most trying. The successful issue was largely due to his splendid example.

(D.S.O. gazetted 18th February, 1915.)

Maj. Sackville William Sackville Hamilton, D.S.O., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in siting first and support line trenches during an attack under heavy fire. His initiative enabled a situation which was confused owing to darkness to be cleared up, and after making a personal reconnaissance he returned with his information through heavy barrage and machine-gun fire. He subsequently made a further successful report on the whole situation under the same conditions, and displayed consummate ability and fearlessness.

(D.S.O. gazetted 15th April, 1916.)

Capt. (actg. Lt.-Col.) William George Holmes, D.S.O., R. Welsh Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the final stages of the fighting he was the soul of both defence and offence. He was placed in command of the remnants of all battalions in the vicinity, and it was mainly due to his gallantry and dash that the enemy counter-attack was defeated.

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

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Sydney Armitage Innes, D.S.O., R. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout the advance he commanded his battalion with the greatest skill and courage. His personal example and presence in the firing line, when the battalion had suffered heavy casualties, was of the utmost value and assistance to the men.

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

Capt. (temp. Maj.) Arnold Nugent Strode Jackson, D.S.O., L.N. Lanc. R., attd. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry during lengthy operations, when he assumed command of the battalion and, although wounded on two separate occasions, was able to carry out most valuable work. By his skill and courage he offered a splendid example to all ranks with him.

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

Maj. Charles Wesley Weldon McLean, D.S.O., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has commanded his battery with great skill and courage. He has observed fire and commanded the battery from an observation post under heavy fire with great coolness and accuracy.

(D.S.O. gazetted 4th November, 1915.)

Capt. (temp. Maj.) James Alexander Charles Pennycuik, D.S.O., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion during lengthy operations, when he was largely responsible for consolidating positions gained, constructing strong points and trenches in most exposed positions, and, notwithstanding heavy casualties, by his courage and skill he enabled the work to be successfully performed and the positions rendered secure.

(D.S.O. gazetted 9th December, 1914.)

Temp. Maj. George Paton Pollitt, D.S.O., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made constant and dangerous personal reconnaissances in connection with gas attacks. His close supervision and fearlessness in the front line contributed very largely to successful operations, and the men under his command owed their spirit and determination in no small degree to his magnificent example.

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

Capt. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Cecil Porch Porch, D.S.O., R. of O., E. Surr. R., attd. North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his battalion with the greatest gallantry and determination. He personally superintended the cutting of the enemy wire under continuous machine-gun and rifle fire. He set a very fine example of coolness and courage throughout.

(D.S.O. gazetted 26th March, 1917.)

Maj. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Cecil Edward Rice, D.S.O., Yeo.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his battalion over ground that was under very heavy fire and in full view of the enemy. His splendid personal example inspired all ranks with confidence. Though severely wounded, he insisted on making his way to the dressing station unaided.

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

Maj. William John Shannon, D.S.O., Lrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was commanding a dismounted