

gether throughout the day in spite of shortage of ammunition and strong hostile counter-attacks. Although slightly wounded early in the day, he kept his grip on the fighting with tireless energy and inspired all ranks by his courage and disregard of danger.

(D.S.O. gazetted 3rd June, 1916.)

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. (T./Lt.-Col.) Bertie Gordon Clay, D.S.O., D.G.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when commanding his battalion in support of an attack. Seeing that the leading troops were held up, and had not gained the important position which was their objective, he at once decided to co-operate with another battalion and attack the enemy. By this prompt and decisive action at a critical moment high ground of the greatest tactical importance was won, and the success of the attack (which had to be conducted without the aid of artillery) was mainly due to the personal gallantry and ability with which Lt.-Col. Clay led his battalion.

(D.S.O. gazetted 20th October, 1916.)

Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) Arthur Cecil Corfe, D.S.O., S. Afr. Def. Force.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion. By the prompt and skilful measures which he took on encountering serious opposition, he was able to attain his objective, and by his personal example and cheerfulness the moral of his men was maintained during a very trying period and under most adverse weather conditions.

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

Maj. Giles Bulteel Daubeny, D.S.O., R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an extremely critical period when the situation was by no means clear, he kept up continual fire with his battery and rendered invaluable support to the infantry, although his brigade was exposed to constant and heavy fire and suffering many casualties for two days. His behaviour during this period was beyond praise, and it was in a great measure due to his coolness, courage and personality that fire was kept up.

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

T./Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Michael Frederick Beauchamp Dennis, D.S.O., K.O.S.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded in the back by shrapnel, he refused to leave the battlefield, but continued to lead his battalion with the utmost gallantry and disregard of danger, rallying men who had been driven back by hostile counter-attacks and setting a personal example which enabled his battalion to hold their line.

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

Capt. (T./Lt.-Col.) Lionel Hugh Knightley Finch, D.S.O., Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Prior to an assault his battalion sus-

tained considerable casualties. Undeterred by these losses, however, he drew up and rehearsed his plans for assembly with the greatest care. During the assault the battalion sustained further heavy casualties, but this officer led the survivors with brilliant initiative and the utmost gallantry in an attack upon an enemy strong point, which he captured, killing or taking prisoners all the garrison. He then pushed his outpost line out and got into touch with the battalions on his flank, making complete dispositions for his advance. He was badly wounded at the end of the day, having set a personal example of fearlessness and fine leadership to which the excellent performance of his battalion was largely due.

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

Capt. and Bt./Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) John Standish Surtees Prendergast, Viscount Gort, M.V.O., D.S.O., M.C., G. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although hit in two places in the shoulder by the bursting of a shell early in the day and in great pain, he refused to leave his battalion, and personally superintended the consolidation subsequent to a successful attack. He remained with them until 5 p.m. on the following day, when he was ordered to come out and have his wounds dressed. His conduct set a very fine example of self-sacrifice, and was of great value in maintaining the high morale and offensive spirit of his battalion.

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

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Arthur Alan Hanbury Hanbury-Sparrow, D.S.O., M.C., R. Berks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an action. When the objective was reached he personally superintended the consolidation of the front line. He continued to hold his line with a force of mixed units until his flank became exposed and he was compelled to withdraw. He rallied his men, organised a new defensive line, and held on until relieved. Throughout the day he set a splendid example to all ranks of self-sacrifice and resolute determination, and by his soldier-like bearing encouraged everyone. He exposed himself fearlessly, and it was due to his magnificent courage that the enemy counter-attacks were driven off.

(D.S.O. gazetted 1st December, 1914.)

Lt.-Col. Ralph Hindle, D.S.O., N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst commanding his battalion during an advance. He showed the finest leadership throughout, and under his direction his battalion captured all its objectives and inflicted heavy loss on the enemy. His men were greatly inspired by his coolness and personal example.

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

Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) Percy Leigh Ingpen, D.S.O., W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an action his battalion headquarters were demolished by shell fire, and he was only extricated with great difficulty. Though ordered to hand over his command, he went to the front line trenches on hearing