

wounded he returned to his post and arranged for stretcher bearers to take them to the dressing station. He went about continuously during the operations, attending to the wounded under most intense fire with complete disregard of danger.

Lt. Leonard Lynde Youell, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He went forward with the attacking infantry, and on arriving at the final objective immediately established communication from front to rear. By his untiring efforts and disregard of exceptionally heavy shell and machine-gun fire, he was able to maintain telephonic communication throughout a critical time, when our left flank was being heavily counter-attacked, enabling the artillery to work in perfect co-operation with the infantry, and he was largely instrumental in preventing a breach in our line.

NEW ZEALAND FORCE.

Lt. Duncan Bain Murchison, Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in reconnoitring a hostile redoubt. There were about eighty of the enemy patrolling round the redoubt, but he made a complete reconnaissance and brought back very valuable information. At one time a patrol of thirteen of the enemy appeared 20 yards away on one flank, and another of similar strength 12 yards away on the other

flank, but by good leadership and able control of his men he succeeded in evading them and completed his work unknown to the enemy. He showed great daring and resource.

SOUTH AFRICAN FORCE.

2nd Lt. Eric William Bower, Hy. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when an ammunition train had been set on fire by enemy shelling. Assisted by another officer, he removed the burning cartridges from the shells under very heavy fire at great risk, and succeeded in averting a very serious explosion.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Howard Thomas Griffiths, S.A. Fces.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Having attacked the enemy on the flank, he manœuvred his company so as to enfilade the enemy's position, and, although short of ammunition, held his own until the following morning, and by his action was instrumental in causing the enemy to retire from the key to the main position.

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