

rallied his men and reached the objective. Owing to the right flank unit being held up, he skilfully formed a defensive flank, and held the position until reinforced.

Capt. Charles Henry Holmes, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When nearly all his officers and non-commissioned officers had become casualties, he continued to direct and control the fire of his guns with such good effect that repeated enemy counter-attacks were driven off and the advance of the infantry was greatly assisted. His courage and determination under most difficult conditions were a splendid example to all.

Lt. Norman Langford Jarvis, Pnr. Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised working parties, took charge of men who had lost their officers, and established a communication trench through an enemy barrage. He collected enemy prisoners, forming them into stretcher-bearers, and personally conducted these parties through the barrage. Throughout the operations he set a splendid example to all ranks.

Capt. Charles Aubrey Johnson, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though wounded early in the attack he continued to lead his company, and himself conducted the assault on the objective, and consolidated and secured the position. His courage and example contributed largely to the success of the operations.

Lt. Rupert Grenville Knight, Eng.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of the construction of a strong point. To reach the point he had to lead his party a distance of 3,000 yards in the open from the position of assembly under heavy enemy barrage fire, and it was due to his dogged determination and able leadership that the strong point was correctly sited and an invaluable defence work constructed. His action set a splendid example to all ranks.

2nd Lt. John Kohn, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in rushing a hostile machine-gun and putting it out of action. He then rallied his men again, leading them to their final objective. The success of the operation was largely due to his excellent leadership.

2nd Lt. Percy Lay, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. When all the officers of his company became casualties he took command at a very critical period and in the face of severe opposition. During the fight for the final objective he was opposed by a field gun at point blank range. He halted his men under cover and with two men attacked the team with bombs and bayonet from the flank. His splendid example saved many critical situations.

2nd Lt. Cyril Harrington Grier Loriaud, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when directing traffic under heavy shell fire. His great coolness and judgment had a marked influence at a time when excitement

would have added to the danger and difficulties caused by heavy congestion on a narrow road.

Lt. John Maher Lyons, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. Despite a heavy barrage, darkness and mud, he got his men to their allotted positions on the jumping-off tape with very few casualties. He led forward the first wave, and when all his platoon had become casualties collected spare men and consolidated a gap in the line. He captured fourteen prisoners and three machine-guns.

Lt. Donald William MacLachlan, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a party of "moppers up." He was instrumental in bombing many dug-outs and digging out men who were buried. Throughout the operation he was an inspiring example to the men.

Lt. William Reginald Fairbairn Macrow, A.S.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst engaged on pack transport work in forward areas during operations. He carried on his work day after day in spite of heavy shelling and most difficult weather conditions, and the fact that the ground which he had to cross was at times a sea of mud. On one occasion, when his convoy was caught in an enemy barrage and several casualties were caused, he arranged for the removal of the wounded, reorganised his convoy and delivered his stores. He proved himself a most capable and fearless leader, and kept his men in fine spirits by his disregard of danger and coolness under fire.

Capt. Edgar Masters, Fld. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. An ammunition dump was set on fire and the flames spread owing to the high wind. He at once went to the spot and, with some assistance, eventually succeeded in extinguishing the fire, which was threatening to cause an explosion. He showed great courage, and set an excellent example to his men.

Lt. James Sylvester McHardie, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of his platoon. He captured a machine gun and crew and occupied the most advanced position held by the battalion, from which he succeeded in dispersing enemy troops massing for counter-attack. He handled his Lewis gun in person after the team had become casualties.

Lt. Roderick George McLeod, Fld. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On two occasions the battery of which he was in command came under heavy shell fire while in action. On each occasion a complete detachment was put out of action, but by his fearlessness and splendid example he inspired all ranks with confidence and kept the battery in action.

Lt. Dodd Alfred Mehan, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his platoon with great gallantry in the attack and set a fine example of