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Lt. Alfred Stanley Stephens, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer led his platoon through a heavy barrage to the support line, on reaching which he walked along the parapet, directing the position to be occupied by each section of two platoons, the other platoon officer having been wounded.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Marmaduke Basil Stephenson, E. York R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his company throughout a long period of severe fighting, during which he displayed the utmost courage and resource. His unflinching energy and cheerfulness, when all were suffering from exhaustion, set an example which encouraged many a tired man to continue fighting and marching.

Lt. William Hargreaves Stevens, Devon. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all the other company officers had become casualties, he rallied the company, and by his example and fearlessness restored the situation. Later, in an attack, he led the company with great courage and skill, and when a line was established, as one of the two surviving officers, he worked with great energy, under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire, in organising a successful defence.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Alexander James Stewart, W. Yorks. R., attd. M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout five days' fighting this officer was always visiting his guns and encouraging his men under fire of all sorts. On one occasion he personally took charge of four guns, and, seizing his opportunity, broke up an enemy attack.

T./Lt. Andrew Phillip Stewart, attd. K.O.S.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a difficult rearguard action, when his tactical handling of men caused the enemy to suffer heavy casualties and enabled his own men to withdraw with a minimum of loss. He was wounded just as the last remnant of his command had reached safety.

Lt. Daniel Stewart, Sea. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout a week of fighting. He was untiring in rallying men of other companies and units who had lost their officers, and encouraging them to hold on. Though much exhausted by continuous fighting, he inspired all by his endurance.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Alan Leslie Stickland, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in holding an advanced sap with his company, reorganising the line after the initial assault, and maintaining touch with

the remnants of a company on his left. He kept Battalion Headquarters well informed of the situation, being all the time under intense fire of all arms.

T./Capt. Douglas Henry Stickler, S. Wales Bord.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his company in intricate village fighting, carrying out some fine work by decision and quick thinking. He led a counter-attack with great vigour, and throughout the battle sent back good information.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Francis Russell Stone, Lond. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Under very heavy rifle and machine-gun fire he led his company successfully against a force of the enemy who were enfilading with four machine guns. He displayed great dash.

T./Lt. Charles William Stonham, Rif. Brig.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was brigade intelligence officer, and during nine days' retirement he was continually in the front line collecting information of the situation. He displayed conspicuous courage, and, although blown up by shell, continued at his work until able to walk no more.

Capt. Thomas Copeland Storey, M.B., R.A.M.C., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the withdrawal from a wood, it was discovered that some of the wounded had been left behind. He went forward and spent an hour and a half in front of the line, searching the wood, and brought them all back, in spite of considerable hostile fire. Otherwise they would undoubtedly have fallen into the hands of the enemy.

Lt. the Hon. William Marmaduke Stourton, Hrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when on patrol. He came under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, but remained in touch with the enemy all day, displaying great coolness and initiative and sending back most valuable information. It was due to his gallantry that a trooper, whose horse had been shot, was able to rejoin the patrol.

T./2nd Lt. Walter Neville Strawson, M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of two guns in an exposed trench. He took command of the infantry when all the officers had fallen, and repulsed two heavy enemy attacks. It was undoubtedly owing to his energy and courage that a critical situation was averted on the flank, which was exposed and continually under heavy fire.

Lt. Vernon Douglas Stuart, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a sap containing his men was blown in, he entered it and extricated the men, who were pinned down by the debris. He continued his efforts despite a further fall