

close fire, and formed a defensive flank with them.

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

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Francis Robinson, D.S.O., R. Innis. Fus., attd. North'd. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a battalion in a successful counter-attack at a critical moment, and on another occasion, after the line on his left had been broken, he countered with such energy and determination that he drove the enemy back 1,500 yards, capturing two machine guns and fifty prisoners. He was wounded during this attack.

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

Lt. (A./Maj.) Albert Russell, D.S.O., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. Under a series of heavy bombardments lasting over several days he handled the men under his command with great ability and successfully repulsed all attacks. He set a fine example of courage and leadership.

(D.S.O. gazetted 1st January, 1918.)

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. (T./Brig.-Gen.) Lionel Warren De Vere Sadleir-Jackson, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout recent operations he proved himself a bold leader of men, and under all conditions full of energy and fine fighting spirit. He personally organised and led most successful counter-attacks, in one of which he recaptured a village and took 150 prisoners and eleven machine guns. He did splendid work under very difficult conditions.

(D.S.O. gazetted 27th September, 1901.)

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Edmund Farquhar St. John, D.S.O., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During fourteen days the brigade under his command fought with great effect. None of their guns had to be abandoned, nor were any captured. It is not too much to say that his example of courage and his skill were in a very great measure responsible for this fine result. Under heavy enemy shell-fire he kept all his batteries in action, affording all the support possible to the infantry.

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

Maj. Daniel Arthur Sandford, D.S.O., R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the enemy offensive, especially on the first day, when he succeeded in bringing successfully out of action his three widely-separated sections, and later in the afternoon, under shell and machine-gun fire, he kept his battery at work until 7.30 p.m., when the enemy were within 1,000 yards of his position. On the following day, after sending his battery back, he went forward into a village and stayed there till noon, bringing back valuable information.

(D.S.O. gazetted 2nd February, 1916.)

Capt. (A./Lt.-Col.) Hugh Baird Spens, D.S.O., Sco. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy had penetrated the line, this officer, at short notice, was ordered to counter-attack and re-take the position. This involved an advance of nearly four miles in artillery formation over very difficult ground, in full view of the enemy, with a change of direction in the final stages of the attack. Although there was little time for reconnaissance, and the final advance was under heavy barrage, the counter-attack was quite successful, the enemy declining to await the troops advancing with the bayonet. The success was largely due to his leadership.

(D.S.O. gazetted 1st January, 1918.)

Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) Duncan Wilfred Lambert Spiller, D.S.O., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while commanding a group throughout operations extending over a fortnight. He was always in front carrying out personal reconnaissances, visiting the infantry, and helping his batteries. His contempt of all personal danger, combined with his capable handling of his guns, was an invaluable example to all near him.

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

Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. (T./Lt.-Col.) Ernest Norman Stockley, D.S.O., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the situation was critical, owing to a gap between two divisions, this officer led the three companies under his command, who were at work on a rear line, up to the threatened point, taking up a defensive position in touch with the troops on right and left. This position was held under heavy shell and machine-gun fire and against repeated attacks, until he finally withdrew according to instructions, bringing his men out in good order.

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T./Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Gerald Louis Johnson Tuck, D.S.O., Suff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his battalion during an enemy attack, and his reports from personal observation were invaluable. When the situation was critical he restored it. By his personal example of coolness and energy he retained positions against largely superior enemy forces.

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Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) John Lannoy Forbes Tweedie, D.S.O., Glouc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His battalion was heavily attacked in front and flank, the enemy penetrating the line in several places and also working round the flank. By the effective counter-measures which this officer took, he restored the situation completely. His cheerfulness and confidence throughout an anxious day were largely responsible for the fine defence put up by his battalion.

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