

under a very heavy bombardment of high explosive and gas shells, and brought them into action in a new position. An ammunition dump was blown up in close proximity while the operation was going on, the difficulty of which was enhanced by the darkness of the night and the necessity of wearing a box respirator. Lieut. Stuart was severely burnt by gas during the operation.

(M.C. gazetted 26th July, 1918.)

T./Capt. Timothy Sugrue, M.C., Welsh R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during six days' heavy fighting, and particularly in selecting positions for advanced lines to fall back through, and organising the defence of these lines under continuous fire. Finally he assumed command of his battalion and brought it out of action. He showed the greatest coolness and gallantry, and his personal example had a fine effect on his men.

(M.C. gazetted 17th April, 1917.)

Capt. (A./Maj.) George Sumpter, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On two occasions he established and maintained an observation post under very heavy shell fire, and carried out valuable reconnaissances. Subsequently, in covering the retirement of other troops, he brought a gun into action with open sights, and did great execution among the advancing enemy. He has shown exceptional gallantry throughout.

(M.C. gazetted 25th August, 1917.)

Capt. David Sutherland, M.C., Sea. Highrs., attd. R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when all communications had been cut between divisions and brigade by enemy bombardment. He organised repair parties, and under heavy shell fire put through two miles of uncompleted buried cables. He showed fine courage and determination, and did most useful service.

(M.C. gazetted 14th January, 1916.)

2nd Lt. John Swales, M.C., N. Staff. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The enemy, attacking in very large numbers under cover of heavy artillery fire, had succeeded in taking a position which included several advanced posts of which this officer was in command. A counter-attack by the reserve company of the battalion drove back the enemy, and he was found to be still holding out with only three men, though completely surrounded. The enemy afterwards broke through at another point and he covered the withdrawal which then became necessary, only retiring from the house from which he was firing after a hot hand-to-hand engagement with superior numbers. Throughout the day he displayed great courage and an utter disregard of personal safety.

(M.C. gazetted 11th May, 1917.)

Lt. Stanley Victor Swash, M.C., R.F.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer was forward observation officer in front of a village, under direct fire from a forward gun as well as machine-gun fire. He sent in valuable information all day, and after battalion headquarters had moved back remained at his post, and rallied some infantry who were on the point of withdrawing. His gallant conduct assisted in directing fire to render much needed support.

(M.C. gazetted 18th October, 1917.)

Capt. (A./Maj.) Alan Crawley Swindells, M.C., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Under very heavy enemy bombardment he kept his battery in action for 30 hours, until ordered to take up a new position. He also rendered valuable service in observing for two batteries firing on large enemy concentrations, thus breaking up further attacks; during this time he was being constantly sniped at. He was indefatigable in his efforts to encourage the men, and did much to keep up their morale.

(M.C. gazetted 1st January, 1918.)

T./Capt. Arthur George Symons, M.C., Midd'x R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. When his battalion headquarters were almost surrounded and many casualties to officers and men had occurred from heavy shelling, machine-gun and rifle fire, he fought on, though severely wounded, and succeeded in extricating the remainder of the men. He has previously done fine work.

(M.C. gazetted 3rd June, 1918.)

T./Capt. Clarence Willett Tait, M.C., Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In ten days' fighting, until wounded, this officer has been ubiquitous in galloping from point to point through shell and machine-gun fire, rallying and encouraging men of various divisions mixed with his own. On one occasion, when both flanks had fallen back and the enemy were working round the right flank, he saw the menace and got up a company just in time to drive back the enemy, who were within 300 yards.

(M.C. gazetted 19th November, 1917.)

Rev. Edward Victor Tanner, M.C., A. Chapln. Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He remained with his battalion throughout four days' fighting, working untiringly in assisting the Medical Officer. Cheerfully he incurred the greatest risks in bringing in wounded through shell fire, and when the enemy gained a foothold in a village he assisted in organising a new Aid Post.

(M.C. gazetted 26th November, 1917.)

Capt. Gerald Thompson, M.C., York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer displayed splendid initiative and skill as Intelligence Officer throughout the fighting until wounded. He worked