

were all killed or taken prisoners. His example to his men was splendid throughout the operations.

Lt. (A./Capt.) John Armstrong Pratt, L'pool R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. He showed great pluck and dash as a company commander, and set a splendid example to his men, being one of the first to enter the enemy line. For three nights previously he had reconnoitred the ground.

T./2nd Lt. Hector Lloyd Price, attd. S.W. Bord.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership in charge of a patrol. He worked his way through enemy advanced posts, approaching the machine-gun posts in rear, and successfully locating four of them. Though heavily fired on from front and rear, he withdrew his patrol safely back to his lines, having attained his object.

Capt. John Millie Pringle, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He attended to the many casualties of two battalions, working in the open under heavy fire for thirty-six hours without rest. During ten days' hard fighting he was untiring in his efforts, and it was very largely due to his excellent organisation in one locality that the wounded of five battalions were successfully evacuated. He set a splendid example.

2nd Lt. Donald Fraser Proctor, Gord. Highrs., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack. He led his men, together with others he collected, with the greatest dash, capturing a number of prisoners and destroying several machine-gun nests. He showed a fine example of courage and able leadership, and rendered valuable service.

Lt. William Henry Ramsbottom, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For distinguished and gallant conduct when in command of a forward section of guns in a very exposed position. He showed the greatest coolness under heavy shelling, and by his fearless example kept his section in action throughout the day and assisted in the effective neutralisation of enemy batteries.

T./Lt. Norman Rankin, Bord. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during an attack. He led his company splendidly, and under very heavy machine-gun fire displayed the greatest coolness. When the situation was obscure he made a daring reconnaissance and re-established communication. His conduct throughout inspired his men.

Lt. Phillip St. John Basil Rathbone, L'pool R.

For conspicuous daring and resource on patrol. On one occasion, while inside the hostile wire, he came face to face with one of the enemy, whom he at once shot. This

raised the alarm, and an intense fire was opened, but he crept through the entanglements with his three men and got safely back. The result of his patrolling was a thorough knowledge of the locality and strength of all enemy posts in the vicinity.

Capt. Thomas Purvis Reay, W. York. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership. He showed great initiative in an attack, and when the position had been captured he at once consolidated the position. He moved about under heavy fire, encouraging his men, and it was chiefly due to his skill and untiring efforts that the enemy counter-attack was defeated.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Sydney Ernest Redfern, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry when his battery was taking up a new forward position. He took charge of the traffic under heavy enemy fire, and, by his coolness and devotion to duty, ensured the arrival in time at the new position of a large supply of fresh ammunition. He rendered valuable service.

2nd Lt. Oliver William Frederick Richardson, K.O.S.B.

He showed great courage and judgment in two attacks. When most of his men were casualties, he collected a party from different battalions, and with it was amongst the first to capture and consolidate the position. He was wounded in the arm and foot, but remained at duty. Later, when wounded in the thigh, he had to be ordered to the dressing station.

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Arthur William Richings, S. Lan. R.

For great initiative and gallantry, when he found himself in command of the battalion. He carried out a daring reconnaissance of all his posts by daylight. When the enemy was withdrawing he showed splendid leadership, and advanced his battalion some distance, capturing prisoners and machine guns at very little cost.

2nd Lt. Ernest Paul Rickeard, D.C.L.I., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He attacked an enemy machine gun that was firing through the lifting mist at close range on our troops, and captured it and killed the crew. His fine example greatly inspired all ranks of his company.

T./Capt. Daniel Falconer Riddell, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in tending to the wounded under trying conditions. His skill and coolness under fire undoubtedly saved many lives.

T./Capt. John Ashley Riddle, Glou. R.

He displayed great courage and powers of handling men during an advance. Having made his dispositions quickly and thoroughly, he thus gained all objectives, killing and capturing many of the enemy.