

officers and nearly all his company had become casualties, and continued to offer determined resistance until he himself was wounded. By checking the enemy's advance he enabled the next line of defence to be prepared and consolidated. He showed splendid courage and determination.

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

2/Lt. Harold Alexander Symons, 1st Bn., L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He gained his objective and, after disposing his men in groups proceeded to patrol. Throughout the night and following morning he carried out the most daring reconnaissances under heavy machine-gun fire, in his efforts to locate the positions held by the enemy. He furnished valuable information continually until he was severely wounded leading his platoon in an attack.

(M.C. gazetted 7th November, 1918.)

Lt. (A./Major) Thomas Francis Tallents, M.C., I. Gds., Spec. Res., attd. 4th Gds. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When part of the line was held up and troops were finally obliged to retire to avoid being cut off, this officer carried out, at great risk, a reconnaissance, which enabled the machine-gunners to move forward with their guns and equipment. The result was that the hostile fire against the infantry was much neutralised, and a movement to cut them off stopped, with heavy loss to the enemy.

(M.C. gazetted 3rd June, 1916.)

Capt. (A./Maj.) Vivian Home Thomson, D.S.O., M.C., 49th Bty., R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After bringing his battery into action within 1,000 yards of the enemy's outpost line, he established his observation post in a necessarily exposed position. Throughout the day he silenced many machine-gun nests, and in order to obtain information from the infantry regarding these targets he crossed from his O.P. several times over ground swept by continual fire. He did fine work.

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

Rev. Mazzini Tron, D.S.O., M.C., T./C.F., 4th Cl., A. Chap. Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He continually attended wounded under heavy fire, and enabled them to be brought in and evacuated with great despatch. Though his haversack containing dressings was swept away by shell fire, he returned for more dressings and went out again. His cheerfulness, pluck, and determination were a fine example to all.

(M.C. gazetted 16th August, 1917.)

T./Lt. William Tweddell, M.C., 15th Bn., D.L.I.

He greatly assisted in consolidating a captured position, and maintained his ground with great courage and determination until he was wounded, when the enemy heavily attacked from three sides and isolated the brigade. He set a very fine example to his men.

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

T./Capt. James Charles Vanner, D.S.O., M.C., 7th Bn., Leic. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership during an advance. His company and another became detached from the rest of the battalion, but in spite of this he was instrumental in rounding up four machine guns and strong points, with the result that seventy-eight prisoners were captured. He displayed great skill and courage until wounded later in the operations.

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

Lt. Richard Crawford Warren, M.C., 2nd Bn., O. & B.L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry in leading a party to rush an enemy machine gun. He put the gun out of action and killed or dispersed the crew. He continued to lead his men forward for an hour, though wounded, and refused to go back until the attack had made good progress. He behaved splendidly.

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

Lt. (A./Capt.) Charles Frederick Weber, M.C., Welsh R., secd. 3rd Light Bn., Tank Co.

During an attack he commanded his section with conspicuous gallantry and skill, walking about under intense fire to keep touch with the infantry, to whom he gave the greatest assistance. The example of his courage and determination inspired not only his own men, but also the infantry with whom he was working.

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

Lt. (A./Capt.) Jesse West, M.C., S. Staff. R. (Spec. Res.), attd. 2nd Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry in an attack. He handled his company splendidly to the final objective, and was instrumental in the capture of twenty machine guns and a large number of prisoners. He set a magnificent example of courage and fine leadership.

(M.C. gazetted 4th June, 1917.)

2nd Lt. (A./Capt.) Frank Edward Whitby, M.C., 1/16th Bn., Lond. R.

When the division on the flank was heavily counter-attacked and driven back, Capt. Whitby, who was senior company commander in the front line, with great initiative and skill threw all the details he could collect into a dangerous gap that was formed in the line, and moved up a support platoon to fill the interval. The next day he led his men forward in an attack in spite of a severe wound in his neck, exposing himself with great gallantry to an intense machine-gun fire in the execution of his duties. He set a splendid example to all his officers and men.

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

T./Lt. Harold Wilcoxon, M.C., 13th Bn., Welsh R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He led his company in face of heavy fire, and secured his objective together with many prisoners and machine guns, besides killing a large number of the enemy. He set a magnificent example to his men, and inspired their confidence by his fearless leadership.

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