

enemy machine guns were counted, and a large number of dead.

Lt. William Osborn Cooper, 10th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In clearing Luck Wood on 23rd August, 1918, he led his platoon against three enemy machine-gun nests in succession, and by his dash succeeded in overwhelming the enemy resistance before the remainder of his company got up. His fine example assisted the main advance considerably.

2nd Lt. Arthur Bruce Cork, 9th Bn., Aust. Infy.

Near Lehous, at Bois de Crepey, during the advance on 10th August, 1918, when the advance was temporarily held up by terrific machine-gun fire, he with another officer went forward, and at the head of his platoon successfully captured the enemy strong point. He showed fine courage and ability to command.

Lt. Aubrey Sidney Cotton, 56th Bn., Aust. Infy.

During the attack on Peronne on 1st September, 1918, he pushed forward through an intense barrage and established a report centre, and quickly got in touch with all companies. In spite of having twice to move his headquarters owing to heavy shelling, he carried on his duties with great steadfastness, and was finally wounded and badly gassed when his headquarters dugout was blown in by a shell; but he remained until the others were safely out. His coolness and courage under very trying circumstances set a fine example to all ranks.

Lt. Thurston George Cranswick, D.C.M., 40th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 24th August, 1918, during an attack on Bray, when his company was held up by machine-gun nests. The O.C. being wounded, he took command, and reorganising the company, captured the machine guns and many prisoners, gaining his objective. A few days later he attacked Clery Copse, but it proved an impossible task, and he was severely wounded and had to be evacuated, after showing great pluck and enterprise.

Lt. Frederick William Croft, 17th Bn., Aust. I.F.

He led his platoon in the attack on Mont St. Quentin, near Peronne, on the 31st August, 1918, with conspicuous gallantry. On reaching the final objective, he went round the flank of the village, and held a position in front until a strong enemy counter-attack drove him back to a position on the left flank, which was in the air, and which he held all day against many attacks. He set a fine example of cool daring.

Capt. Edward Lumsden Dalkeith, 56th Bn., Aust. Infy.

During heavy fighting on 1st September, 1918, in the attack on Peronne, he took possession of an enemy field gun and fired it with great effect. Being the only officer who was not either killed or wounded in the company, he led his men with coolness and de-

cision and rendered very valuable service in protecting the flank of the brigade, which was at one time menaced by an attack. His example of gallantry and composure under heavy fire was a great incentive to his men.

Lt. Norman Bede d'Arcy, 35th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Bray on 22nd August, 1918. He led his platoon skilfully in the attack, keeping touch with the flank, and capturing about fifty prisoners and one machine gun. He set a fine example of cheerfulness and courage.

Lt. James Woodville Darling, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.; attd. 2nd Aust. L.T.M.B.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 23rd August, 1918, at Herleville. He led two guns through the whole of the advance, bringing them into action on five different occasions under direct machine-gun fire. He also personally directed a Tank full of shells to its destination, and later fired a number of rounds from three captured "minenwerfers" with good results. His leadership and dash inspired all with him.

Lt. John Dexter, 53rd Bn., Aust. Infy.

During the attack on Peronne on 1st September, 1918, he led his men with great gallantry and determination, forcing his way in spite of heavy casualties through a thick belt of wire, in face of heavy machine-gun fire. He captured a field gun in Quinconce Wood. He set a splendid example, which greatly encouraged his men throughout the operations.

Lt. Edwin Maxwell Dollery, 12th Bn., A.I.F.

For conspicuous gallantry near Proyart on the 23rd to 26th August, 1918. He took six men through a wood still occupied by the enemy and advanced some 600 yards beyond over open country and through heavy machine-gun fire. He put one gun out of action and rushed another gun, shooting the gunner. He then established a post which commanded the approach to the wood, and held it with his remaining four men for five hours.

Lt. Robert William Dowling, 8th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership during the attack north of Rosieres on 9th August, 1918. He led his platoon splendidly, and when the officers of another company had all become casualties he took command and led it skilfully to its objective. During consolidation he led small parties to mop up enemy machine guns and pockets which were hindering consolidation. During the attack on Lihons on August 11th he again showed marked courage, on one occasion penetrating our barrage to bomb an enemy machine gun which was causing his company casualties.

Lt. John Faulkner Eason, 38th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Curlin on 28th August, 1918, when his platoon came under machine-gun fire from