Lt. John Barron, A/86th Bde., R.F.A.

For gallantry as mounted patrol and forward observation officer. During the attack on Marrieres Wood on August 30th, 1918, he, as mounted patrol shewed the greatest enterprise in obtaining information and sent back most valuable reports to group headquarters, which cleared up an obscure situation. As forward observation officer on September 18th, during the attack near Ronssoy, he established himself in a forward observation post early in the attack and maintained his position in spite of intense hostile shelling; and kept in touch throughout the day by wire or visual and sent in most reliable reports.

2nd Lt. Maxwell Dalston Barrows, 1/5th Bn. Notts and Derby R., T.F.

At Berthaucourt on September 24th, 1918, during a successful attack when platoons of another company had been held up, he led his platoon forward under heavy machine-gun fire. It was largely due to his courage, initiative and fine leadership displayed at a very critical moment that a series of very strong machine-gun posts were able to be carried and a large number of prisoners taken.

Lt. Leo Raymond McCarthy Barry, R. Ir. Regt. (Spec. Res.), attd. 2nd Bn.

On October 8th, 1918, he was in command of the two leading platoons of the right company in the attack on the defences and trench running in front of the village of Niergnies. He led his platoons to their final objective with the greatest skill, keeping perfect direction, thus gaining every advantage afforded by the creeping barrage. After reaching his objective and consolidating, the enemy made two counter-attacks—one with tanks only, the other with a tank accompanied by infantry. He held on to his post, at the same time showing marked courage and initiative in quickly bringing Lewis gun and rifle fire to bear on the enemy. He himself, in the second counter-attack used an enemy anti-tank rifle and getting two direct hits knocked out the enemy tank.

T./Lt. William Frederick Bassett, 10th Bn. R. Highrs., attd. 2/10th Bn. R. Scots (N. Russia).

While in command of Right Bank outpost line at Higher Borok, consisting of two platoons and an additional Lewis gun section, he was twice attacked by greatly superior numbers of the enemy. Although his position was being heavily shelled and the village set on fire, with great fearlessness he walked round his posts encouraging his men and directing their fire, so that the enemy attacks were smashed and his pursuing patrols were able to capture a machine gun. On the following morning, when the enemy attempted a further attack, he was a splendid example of coolness and courage.

2nd Lt. Norman Douglas Bastick, R.W. Fus., attd. 17th Bn.

On the night of October 7/8th, 1918, near Auchenneul-auy-Bois, during an attack this officer, by his courage and devotion to duty, set a fine example to his company. The only remaining officer of his company, he reorganised his men and elements of other companies, and made most gallant attempts to cut through the enemy's wire under intense machine-gun fire at close range.

2nd Lt. Eldred Leonard Bawden, R.G.A., (Spec. Res.), attd. 112th Hy. Bty.

For conspicuous gallantry, initiative and devotion to duty as forward observation officer. He accompanied the infantry on October 14th, 15th, 19th and 20th, 1918. He obtained and sent back valuable information, and with his small party captured some forty prisoners. He was wounded at Belgiek on October 20th whilst attending to a wounded infantryman under heavy shell fire. His conduct was exemplary and excited the admiration of all ranks.

2nd Lt. Alfred Ernest Steele Bayley, 3rd. Bn., attd. 1st Bn. North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack on enemy trenches south of Pontruet, on September 24th, 1918. He took command of his company when his company commander had been killed. He led them to the final objective in the face of heavy machine-gun fire from the flank. He personally organised and held a block in a sunken road. Throughout the day he showed marked courage and resource.

Lt. Charles Daniel Bayley, C./71st Bty., R.F.A.

On August 26th, 1918, at Arras, he was in command of his battery during the attack. He carried out a difficult advance over mined roads and under heavy shell fire with great skill and rapidity, and reconnoitred a forward position under heavy shell fire. The gallantry, skill, initiative and fine personal example of this young officer contributed largely to the successful and close support of the attacking infantry.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Claude William Beadel, 6th Bn., attd. 13th Bn. K.R.R.C.

For brilliant leadership and most conspicuous gallantry at Mezieres Farm on October 8th, 1918. Seeing that the company on his flank was held up, he immediately led his company through the enemy's uncut wire and succeeded in capturing the position despite heavy machine-gun fire, he, personally, shooting two machine gunners who were causing many casualties. Over 200 prisoners were taken as a result of the operation, the immediate success of which was due to the initiative, fearless leadership and magnificent example of this officer.

2nd Lt. Grover Cleveland Beaton, R.G.A. (Spec. Res.), attd. 143rd Siege Bty.

On September 17th, 1918, near Villers-Faucon, when a section of his battery, situated several hundred yards off, was subjected to a heavy mustard gas and high explosive bombardment, and the command post, in which two officers were hit, he at once went to their assistance, and although himself suffering from the effects of the gas, carried one officer, who had been mortally wounded, to a place of safety, and then returned and assisted the other, officer who had also been wounded, out of danger. He then returned a third time, rallied the men and ensured that every possible precaution was taken. He showed the greatest gallantry and pluck.