

enemy cavalry off the hills south of the town. He so disposed his cars that he held a strong force of enemy in check and denied them the crest and observation. All through the operation he displayed courage and resource. (M.C. gazetted 1st January, 1919.)

Capt. Cecil Guildford Kimmosley Judge, M.C., Aust. Infy. (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Baku on 14th September, 1918. During an attack on a town by a superior force of the enemy he was serving with two local battalions, which by his courage and example he induced to put up a good fight. Later, when both commanding officers were killed, he himself took command, and controlled the battalions with marked ability. This officer performed excellent work throughout the operations.

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

Capt. Bertie Lowing, M.C., 12th A.L.H.R. (EGYPT)

For conspicuous gallantry and skilful leadership on the 25th September, 1918. At Semakh, when his squadron was ordered to attack on the left of the 11th Australian Light Horse Regiment, the enemy made a stubborn resistance, and were subdued only after bitter hand-to-hand fighting in the buildings of the village. On the same day, by a smart flanking movement, this officer captured the enemy garrison at Tiberias, consisting of twelve officers and eighty-three other ranks, together with thirteen machine guns.

(M.C. gazetted 11th April, 1918.)

Lt. William Kent Morpeth, M.C., 31st Bn., Aust. Infy.

From 29th September to 1st October, 1918, in the Bellicourt sector, he displayed great courage and initiative. He moved forward with the advancing companies under heavy fire, and several times took command of men temporarily without leaders, and who were becoming disorganised. With the assistance of three others he cleared several dug-outs in Magny La Fosse, and captured thirty prisoners and four field guns. He did fine work.

(M.C. gazetted 2nd December, 1918.)

Lt. (T./Capt.) Charles Harold Peters, M.C., 38th Bn., Aust. Infy.

Near Bony, from 29th September to 2nd October, 1918, he was in command of a company, which he led across country swept by heavy machine-gun and shell fire, and which mopped up two enemy trenches. Later, with an additional company, he mopped up the Hindenburg line on his company's frontage, finally consolidating on the St. Quentin Canal Tunnel. Throughout he showed great gallantry and able leadership.

(M.C. gazetted 13th February, 1917.)

Lt. Leonard Cariston Seton, M.C., 47th Bty., 12th A. Bde., A.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as F.O.O. during operations on 29th September, 1918, near Bellicourt. He, finding infantry to his front held up by an enemy machine-gun nest, organised a party, and with a captured enemy machine gun

dashed across the open and outflanked the garrison, and, firing the gun himself, enabled the post to be captured, being wounded in three places. His fine courage and determination enabled the infantry to continue their advance.

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

Lt. (T./Capt.) Claude Augustine Stapleton, M.C., D.C.M., 26th Bn., Aust. Infy.

During the operations on the Beaurivoire line, east of Peronne, on 3rd October, 1918, when his men were held up by enemy entanglements and machine-gun fire, he dashed out alone and cut a line through the wire for them. He then led a party of men against an enemy machine gun which was inflicting casualties on our troops, successfully putting it out of action. Throughout he showed great courage and able leadership.

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

Lt. William Thornton Watson, M.C., D.C.M., 6th Bty., 2nd Bde., A.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry at Lauroy, near Bellicourt, on the night 2nd/3rd October, 1918. His battery was the centre of an enemy bombardment, which continued for over four hours. Though badly gassed himself, he tried to save the life of a wounded officer. He showed great energy and devotion to duty, and stayed with his battery until next day, when it was withdrawn from the line.

(M.C. gazetted 1st February, 1919.)

Capt. Norman Harold Whitfield, M.C., 5th Pnr. Bn., Aust. Infy.

Near Bellicourt, on 29th September, 1918, he led his company through a heavy covering barrage to their allotted work, and was responsible for the initial success of the day's operations. Later, when the enemy held part of Bellicourt, he took forward a portion of his platoon, under heavy machine-gun fire, and drove the enemy out, thereby enabling the road to be got through. Later again, in the absence of infantry, he organised a party and silenced a machine gun, and also dispersed the crew of an anti-tank gun. His marked courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men.

(M.C. gazetted 3rd March, 1917.)

NEW ZEALAND FORCE.

Lt. Archibald Raymond Curtis, M.C., M.G. Bn., N.Z. M.G. Corps.

On 5th November, 1918, at the Forest of Normal, he with his section of Vickers guns was attached to one of the battalions in the advance. Under very heavy enemy barrage he manhandled his limbers off the road through the scrub until he reached the sound portion of the road, several hundred yards ahead. On the objective being reached he skilfully disposed his guns to cover an open flank and silenced some enemy machine guns. Throughout he displayed marked courage and ability to command.

(M.C. gazetted 15th February, 1919.)

Capt. Alexander Cameron Monteith Finlayson, M.C., Auck. Mtd. Rif. R.

At Amman on the 25th September, 1918, he displayed great leadership and gallantry.