

quarters forward, and in spite of heavy shelling got in touch with all the batteries of the brigade. Later in the day, he went under heavy fire and made all arrangements for the advance of two batteries for the following morning. He showed great gallantry and untiring energy.

2nd Lt. Gordon Patrick Chapman, D.S.O., R.F.A. (Spec. Res.), attd. A./94th Bde.

For marked gallantry and initiative when in charge of the forward section guns attached to the battalion, on 23rd October, 1918. He went forward to the most advanced troops, and reconnoitred the crossing of the River Harpies. Finding a bridge prepared for demolition, he made an enemy remove the charge. Later, he took his guns forward and advanced into positions at a range of less than 300 yards from the enemy.

T./Capt. Guy Patterson Chapman, O.B.E., 13th Bn., R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership near Ghisignies, on 4th November, 1918. When the battalion was going through Ghisignies in support of the attack, information was received that the left company of the leading battalion had been held up. Under heavy shell fire he went forward to reconnoitre, and found that the supporting battalion appeared likely to become prematurely involved in the fighting. By his energy and initiative in taking command of the situation, this was prevented.

2nd Lt. Philip Chapman, R.F.A. (Spec. Res.), attd. X/32nd T.M. By.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Ors, on 4th November, 1918. An enemy shell hit the bomb store of one of two mortars in action; all the bombs detonated, killing the battery commander, the second in command, and six men. The team of the second gun were all dazed or rendered unconscious by the terrific explosion. Without waiting for orders he rallied the men, and did everything possible to get the damaged gun into action again, setting a fine example to the men.

Capt. Raymond John Chapman, M.D., 2/3rd (E. Lan.) Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C., T.F.

For great gallantry and devotion to duty at Le Cateau, on the 18th October, 1918. When a medical officer was shelled out of his aid post, he personally superintended the establishment of relay posts to the new R.A.P., and arranged for the clearing of the old R.A.P. under heavy shell fire. Throughout the whole battle he set an inspiring example to those under him.

Lt. Benjamin Victor Cherry, 2nd Bn., K.R.R.C.

During the operations, on the 17th October, 1918, near Demi-Lieue, he was conspicuous for his courage and fine leadership when commanding a company. On several occasions when held up by enemy machine guns, he was very successful in working his platoons round the flanks and capturing the guns. On one occasion he led his company in a charge which resulted in the capture of three enemy machine guns.

T./Lt. George Bagot Chester, 1st Bn., M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry near La Vallee Mulatre, on 17th October, 1918, whilst in charge of a section of machine guns. He got his guns into action, in spite of heavy hostile machine-gun fire, engaged and silenced several enemy machine guns, and inflicted numerous casualties on the enemy. Subsequently, when his teams suffered heavy casualties from shelling, he showed great coolness in reorganising his men.

Capt. Douglas Gordon Cheyne, M.D., R.A.M.C., attd. 240th (S.M.) Bde., R.F.A., T.F. (ITALY)

He is an ideal regimental medical officer, and commands the confidence and respect of all ranks. He shows great energy and cheerfulness under all conditions. These qualities were very marked during the recent operations, especially during the early stages of the advance on the Asiago Plateau, on 31st October and 1st November, 1918, when he displayed great coolness and devotion to duty under heavy enemy fire.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Thomas Edwin Clarke, R.A.S.C., attd. 2/4th Bn., York. L.I., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership before Fresnoy on 4th November, 1918, and during the ensuing operations at Neuf Mesnil on 8th November. He showed initiative and courage in leading his company, personally disposing of enemy machine guns and snipers on the way to the objective. At Neuf Mesnil, after reaching his objective, he pushed forward in front of the line with a machine gun to engage those firing from some houses, and succeeded in holding a difficult and dangerous part of the line.

2nd Lt. Alfred George Clifford, M.M., Lincs. R., attd. 8th Bn.

He did very fine work as a platoon commander during the attack on the crossings on the Honnelle River on the 6th November, 1918. By sound judgment and dash he succeeded in piloting the whole of his platoon across the river, and established them in such a position as to help other platoons to cross. He was the first man in his platoon to cross the river, and his platoon was the first across.

Capt. (A./Maj.) Esmond Humphrey Miller Clifford, 95th Fld. Co., R.E. (ITALY)

During the bridging operations of October 26th-October 28th, 1918, at Salettuol, he rendered extremely valuable services and showed great devotion to duty under difficult and dangerous circumstances. He personally took part in the preliminary reconnaissance of the river-bed which the strength of the current rendered extremely dangerous. Later in the day, in spite of heavy enemy shelling, his company, inspired by his personal coolness and utter disregard of danger, completed the footbridge, by which the infantry crossed that night. Throughout the two succeeding days he set the same fine example to his men, though subjected to heavy shell fire and bombing.