

the field gun. Throughout the operations he displayed the highest qualities of leadership.

2nd Lt. George Henry Davis, R.F.A., Spec. Res., attd. "A" Bty., 103rd Bde. (ITALY.)

At the Piave on 27th October, 1918, he was forward observation officer with the left battalion, left Infantry Brigade. He crossed the river with the first wave of the attack, and accompanied the attack for thirty-six hours. He succeeded in keeping in touch with his brigade the whole time and sent back much valuable information. He handled his party of signallers and runners with great skill, and showed great determination and gallantry in so successfully carrying out an important and difficult task.

Lt. Colin Kayser Davy, 20th Hrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource in command of a patrol, which worked through Favril to Maroilles on 5th November, 1918. He displayed great dash and initiative in pushing forward and sent back valuable information throughout the day. The rapidity of his advance enabled a number of prisoners to be taken, as well as two guns.

2nd Lt. Ernest Francis Dealing, M.M., R. Welsh Fus., attd. 9th Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative near Bettrechies on 7th and 8th November, 1918. On 7th November he led a night-fighting patrol nearly 1,000 yards in front of the line, and gained valuable information. On the following morning he again led a fighting patrol, which penetrated into the next village, over a mile in front, dislodging several hostile machine-gun posts, and thereby enabling the advance of the main body to be carried out with only slight casualties.

Lt. Raymond Herbert d'Elboux, 4th Bn., E. Kent R. (T.F.), attd. 1st Bn., L. N. Lancs. R.

For gallantry and good work during the forcing of the Sambre-Oise Canal on 4th November, 1918, and the subsequent operations resulting in the capture of La Groise and Mezieres. As signalling officer, he advanced under heavy fire and established an advanced Report Centre close up to the attacking troops. He established touch with the company commanders, and sent back very valuable information concerning the situation.

Rev. John Delaney, T./C.F., 4th Class, R.A.C.D., attd. 2nd Bn., R. Dub. Fus.

At Fontaine au Bois on 4th November, 1918, when passing through a barrage, several casualties occurred. He immediately collected stretcher bearers and led them to the casualties, whom he caused to be removed to an adjacent cellar, remaining in the barrage comforting the wounded until all had been removed. In the absence of the medical officer he organised a first-aid station and attended to the wounded, thereby undoubtedly saving many lives. He showed great gallantry and devotion to duty.

2nd/Lt. Henry Cecil De Maine, 1/7th Bn., W. Rid. R., T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a platoon during the attack on Saultain on 1st and 2nd November,

1918. His platoon was on the right of the brigade front, and for some time was out of touch with the troops on his right. After many determined attempts to gain touch under heavy machine-gun fire from high ground 300 yards distant, he succeeded in closing the gap. In the meantime his skilful dispositions for the defence of his own flank, resulted in the enemy opposite the left of the division on his right front, surrendering as prisoners.

Lt. Lewis Richard Denning, R.F.A. (Spec. Res.), attd. A./88th Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership in an attack at Malplacquet on 8th November, 1918. He reconnoitred a forward position for an advanced section, bringing up his guns to within 500 yards of the front line, whence he opened fire on enemy machine guns over open sights. On the same day he found a bridge by which he got the guns across the river Hogneau, all the other bridges having been blown up.

Lt. William Herbert Shelley Dent, G. Gds. (Spec. Res.), attd. 2nd Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership on 4th November, 1918, in command of the support company in the attack on Wargemisle-Petit. He led his company up into a gap between the two leading companies, in the face of heavy machine-gun fire, capturing two machine guns. On arriving in line with the front companies, he promptly dealt with a strongly entrenched position, capturing the entire garrison. His dash and initiative prevented what might have been a serious check in the advance.

T./2nd Lt. James Cyril Derlien, 10th Bn., R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and fine leadership on the 4th November, 1918, in the attack at Louvignies. He displayed great resource in dealing with four hostile machine guns which were holding up the attack on the left. He manoeuvred his platoon skilfully so as to attack the machine guns from the flank, and eventually succeeded in killing all the machine gunners. In face of heavy machine-gun fire he then pushed forward, and was the first man to reach the objective.

2nd Lt. George Frederick Devaliant, 3rd Bn., Lincs. R., attd. 6th Bn.

He was in command of the company which successfully attacked and captured the village of Hemlenglet on the 10th October, 1918, taking one officer and eleven other ranks prisoners, capturing four machine guns and inflicting about fifty casualties on the enemy. Throughout the operation he made his dispositions and commanded his company with great skill and gallantry, leading them in the actual attack.

Capt. the Hon. John Dewar, 13th Bn., R. Highrs., T.F.

For gallantry and devotion to duty while in command of a company in the operations near Fontaine-au-Bois on 4th November, 1918. For an hour previous to zero the vicinity of the jumping-off line was heavily shelled, and when the advance began, a heavy