

ing the mounted infantry section in the attack on Koikori. When the enemy were attempting an outflanking movement he restored the situation by the able way he handled his section under heavy machine-gun fire, which severely wounded him. He set a fine example of courage to those under him.

Lt. Robert Cowan Lees, 86th Bty., R.F.A., T.F.

For great gallantry and initiative as F.O.O., from the 14th to 16th Sept., 1919. He moved with the most forward troops during the whole advance, and gave invaluable information and observations to the battery, especially during the attacks on enemy positions five miles south of Lijma on the 15th Sept., and at Myanselga on 16th Sept. when much of his work was carried out under very heavy fire.

T./Lt. William Little, North'd Fus., attd. Korelian Vol. Bn.

For marked gallantry and devotion to duty. On the night of 13/14th Sept., 1919, he was in command of a post of fifty men, near Mikheeva Selga, when he was surrounded and repeatedly attacked by the enemy. The action lasted for six hours. Although early wounded he held the post until dawn, thus enabling operations to be carried out as originally planned.

T./Lt. (A./Capt.) Walter Morris, "B" Coy., 19th M. Gun Bn., M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry at Koikori, on 8th Sept. 1919. He was in command of a subsection of machine guns detailed to cover the advance of the infantry in an outflanking movement on Koikori. He handled his guns most ably, and, under heavy fire, successfully engaged the enemy whilst the infantry withdrew. He then fought his guns unassisted out of a dangerous position. On 10th Sept. he again did excellent work.

Capt. John Byron Noel, York. L.I., attd. 1st Volunteer Battn., Korelian Regt.

For conspicuous gallantry on 2nd August, 1919, south of Unitza. While on reconnaissance duty his party were suddenly fired on from all sides, causing them to withdraw. Finding that a man had been left behind wounded he returned and under heavy fire carried him out of danger.

Lt. Cyril Wrottesley Sharp, 482nd Field Coy., R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As Reconnaissance Officer he has invariably advanced with or beyond the attacking troops, and has made the only survey of the area between Medveja Gora and a point twenty-five miles to the south. On 7th June, 1919, south of Medveja Gora, and again on 23rd June, he collected information and mapped roads and railway under fire.

Lt. Walter Vivian Wood, R.N.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and determination at Rimskaya, on 29th August, 1919. He led his section into action with great skill and coolness and captured thirty prisoners.

Capt. William Birkhead Birkby Yates, 1/4th Bn., W. Rid. R., T.F.

On 21st May, 1919, in command of a battalion of Russian troops, during the attack on Medveja Gora, he handled his men with ability and courage against an attack from both flanks. He has consistently done good work in the field since the summer of 1918.

CANADIAN FORCE.

Capt. John Kenneth Nesbitt, Quebec R., attd. Malamute Coy.

In the advance on Maselga, on 1st and 2nd May, 1919, he handled a Lewis gun himself. He was on both days fighting always in advance of the troops, and on two occasions, by lying in wait for enemy patrols, was able to cause a number of casualties to them. On 6th May, at Dianova Gora, his flanking party captured three machine guns and six prisoners. He showed gallant and able leadership.

AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

999397 A./B. J. Buss, D.C.M., M.M.R. (Camberwell).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Rimskaya, on 29th August, 1919, when he advanced with his machine gun under heavy fire, and by skilful handling of the same was largely responsible for the capture of 30 prisoners by his section. (D.C.M. gazetted 5th December, 1918.)

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

11299 Rfn. E. Bridge, No. 1 Spec. Coy., K.R.R.C. ([E] Blackdown).

On 27th August, 1919, during the action at Koikori, he bandaged up an officer under heavy machine-gun fire. He kept off the enemy, who were attempting to outflank our troops, while Cpl. Lidington fetched a stretcher. He then, assisted by Cpl. Lidington, carried the officer to a place of safety, and then returned to the front. He showed great courage and coolness.

147129 T./Sjt. J. J. Cannon, M.M., 19th Bn., M.G. Corps (Chesterfield).

At Ussuna, on the night of the 9th September, 1919, an enemy patrol was reported to be in rear of our position. He organised a party of British and Russian troops, and went out to verify this report. He encountered a party of the enemy, about 40 strong, and engaged them at 20 yards range. He then withdrew and reported to his officer, with the result that the enemy attack was beaten off with heavy loss. Next day he again rendered gallant service.

10466 Sjt. H. Head, Beds. & Herts. Regt. (Banbury, Oxon).

On two occasions, 10 miles north of Medveja Gora, and 8 miles south of Medveja Gora, on 15th May and 10th June respectively, he was in command of three trench mortars. These he handled with con-