

most thorough, and successfully carried out. During the assault he displayed the utmost courage and ability, and personally carried out several important reconnaissances.

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Maj. Cuthbert Cole Wansbrough, D.S.O., Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack his company was twice held up. He promptly organised flanking parties under heavy fire, and captured the trench. He was severely wounded, but remained in action until the final objective had been gained.

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His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointments of the undermentioned Officers to be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order in recognition of their gallantry and devotion to duty in the Field:—

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) Joseph Edward Barlow, M.C., York. R., Spec. Res., attd. York & Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he led his battalion with great skill and courage, restoring the direction which had been lost, and being the first to enter the objective. It was entirely due to him that a heavy hostile counter-attack was repulsed, and the following night he went through our own and the hostile barrage to re-establish communications. Although his men were badly shaken, he restored their confidence during a very critical situation, and his conduct was magnificent throughout.

2nd Lt. (A./Maj.) Lionel Hadwen Fletcher Beach, R.W. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company forward to cover the withdrawal of the advanced troops, remaining under heavy rifle and shell fire for two hours, until the operation had been successfully carried out. He was severely wounded during the action.

2nd Lt. (T./Capt.) Dudley Ross Church, North'n R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his company with great dash and determination through a heavy hostile barrage to a position within 500 yards of the enemy's trench. He organised and held this position until dusk, in spite of having been twice wounded himself and his company having suffered heavy casualties.

Maj. (T./Lt.-Col.) Hugh Marjoribanks Craigie Halkett, High. L.I., attd. N. Lan. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his battalion with great skill and determination to the final objective. The spirits and dash of his men in spite of very heavy casualties were largely due to his personality and the care with which he had previously trained them.

T./Maj. William Blair Drynan, York & Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to

duty. During the advance his company came under heavy machine gun fire and suffered severe casualties. He alone went forward and made a daring reconnaissance under heavy machine gun fire. The information obtained enabled him to resume the advance and skilfully led his men to their objective.

Maj. Francis William Earle, Hamps. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the assault he was in temporary command of the battalion, and handled it with marked ability and determination. He succeeded in capturing and consolidating an enemy strong point containing four machine guns. His battalion captured 150 prisoners.

Maj. George Guy Ewer, Essex R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great ability and resource under fire, organising the ammunition and water supply of his brigade and supervising the collection of wounded and the disposal of prisoners. He performed invaluable services, and the success of the operations was largely due to his efforts.

Capt. (T./Maj.) Robert Jebb Few, R.W. Surr. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed fine judgment and great coolness in assisting to organise the withdrawal of an advanced section of our line under heavy shell fire.

T./Capt. Douglas Ainslie Foulis, Sco. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the advance, regardless of heavy shell fire, he went about reorganising and collecting men who had gone astray. By his coolness and example he inspired confidence in the men and largely contributed to the final success of the operations.

Capt. Kenneth Francis Drake Gattie, M.C., Mon. R. (Bde. Maj.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With great coolness he went through hostile barrage to consolidate communication between Brigade and Battalion Headquarters at a critical moment. His disregard of personal safety had a most reassuring effect on the men. He had previously rendered the greatest assistance in making preparations for the attack.

Maj. (A./Lt.-Col.) Francis William Greenwood, Linc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He commanded his battalion with the utmost skill and courage throughout the operations, finally consolidating his position. This position was maintained throughout the day and following night under heavy shell fire. He was constantly rallying and encouraging his men under these trying conditions until he was seriously wounded.

Capt. (T./Maj.) Arthur Llewellyn Baldwin Green, Hereford R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his men with great dash and