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	12th Bn A.I.F.		Captain SYDNEY ROBERT HOUGHTON M.C.	Near JEANCOURT, SOMME during the attack on the 18th of Sept 1918. Capt HOUGHTON'S Company had to advance over 2500 yds before attaining their objective. Throughout the whole depth of this area the enemy had numerous strong posts mutually supporting, and requiring different dispositions to meet each case. As each problem presented itself Capt Houghton's power of rapid decision and the vigour and skill shown in the direction of each attack resulted in the rapid and successful capture of each point of resistance, by successive operations. The success of the operation bears abundant testimony to the skill and energy shown by the abovenamed officer, and the fact that his Company had the most difficult role in the Bn plan of attack, and that he with 120 rifles captured more than 130 prisoners, (besides killing and wounding a large number) and more than 12 M. Guns shows to some degree the measure of his skill. Throughout the operation his work was magnificent. He was severely wounded just before reaching the final objective but assisted in placing his Coy on the line of the final objective before being brought to the rear.		BAR TO M.C.	