

31st Battalion

Rank	Name	Date	Location of Service or Act	Honours and Awards Authority and Particulars of Deeds.
Lt Colonel	Toll F.W.	23.7.16	Map 36 N.10.C.	This officer displayed great gallantry all through the operations of July 19/16. He was slightly wounded at the commencement of the action, and before the assault was made and lost heavily in officers and men. For this reason he amalgamated the 3 rd and 4 th companies, leading them over the parapet towards the trench. Before reaching the enemy trench, 13 officers had been killed or wounded including this Company Commandant. Lt Toll personally led the charge and pushed on, making vigorous efforts to consolidate the position won, recommending the enemy's defence, and taking prisoners. Lt Toll held his ground with the remnants of the Battalion until the morning of his flight and left was fallen, and then rallied his men on our original front line.
Lieut.	Still G.A.	23.7.16	Map 36 N.10.C.	General Sir Douglas Haig Military Cross Gallantry in organizing straggling troops and advancing over open country in rear of enemy's position, also for keeping up communication with Brigade HQ by means of pigeons and later by runner, and when in German main breastworks during night assisting in consolidation of position won and general devotion to duty.
Lieut.	Bernard V.D.	23.7.16	Map 36 N.10.C.	Showed great gallantry in reorganizing scattered troops when under heavy shell fire. This officer was wounded when upon advanced position and is reported missing.
Lieut.	Aland R.C.	23.7.16	Map 36 N.10.C.	Coolness and gallantry in taking command of the remains of his company after both his captain and 2nd were wounded. This officer also when returning assisted to carry a wounded man, took over a fire swept zone for nearly 200 yds, and landed him in the German main position. He acted during the night with determination and by his cool behaviour encouraged his men who were more or less badly shattered.
Lieut.	McLennan H.E.	23.7.16	Map 36 N.10.C.	Advanced with great coolness and nerve over the fire swept zone behind German main position. His gallant behaviour struck me as deserving of highest praise especially as all the Senior Company officers were casualties.