

3rd Canadian Inf. Brigade. 1st Canadian Division. Canadian Corps. 17 April 1919 Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	15th Canadian Battalion 48th Highlanders of Canada	27439	Sergeant DAVID GEORGE BELL	<p>In the attack of April 9th against the German position south of THELUS, this N.C.O. accompanied the assaulting waves and established communication by wire as soon as the objective was reached.</p> <p>On reaching the first German Support line he displayed great courage in clearing an enemy telephone dugout and killing the men in it thereby preventing any more information being sent back to the enemy.</p>		Distinguished Conduct Medal	

W. A. Beak
Lieut Col Commanding
15th Bn 48th Highlanders of Canada

SGT BRISTOW.

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J.

No. 77695

This N.C.O. was in command of a platoon in the attack of April 9th south of THELUS.

He directed his men with the utmost gallantry and when the objective was reached he showed the greatest of skill and resource in consolidating the line. He arranged the disposition of his men and gun to the best advantage and in the face of the enemys fire.

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<p><i>15th</i> <i>Battalion</i> <i>48th</i> <i>Gloucesters</i> <i>of</i> <i>Canada.</i></p>	<p><i>150052</i></p>	<p><i>LANCE-CORP.</i> <i>ANDREW</i> <i>CONLEY.</i></p>	<p><i>ATTACK OF APRIL 9TH SOUTH OF THELUS</i> <i>This M.C.O. was in command of a</i> <i>Lewis Gun crew in the action of</i> <i>April 9th. His crew advanced</i> <i>successfully until they were met</i> <i>by very strong opposition in one</i> <i>of the German support trenches</i> <i>The enemy brought</i> <i>strong machine gun fire to bear</i> <i>on them and many of the crew</i> <i>were wounded.</i> <i>However he bravely kept</i> <i>his gun going in the face of their</i> <i>fire and forced them to retire</i> <i>His steadiness and</i> <i>courage were thus instrumental</i> <i>in gaining this objective</i></p>		<p><i>M M</i></p>	
<p><i>B. E. Bant</i> <i>Lieut Col.</i> <i>Commanding</i> <i>15th Battalion</i> <i>(48th G.C.)</i></p>						

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<i>15th Halions. 48th Highlanders of Canada)</i>	<i>204725</i>	<i>Private Dunan R</i>	<p><i>In the attack of April 9th against the German positions south of Thelus, Private Dunan was in one of the few machine gun crews, when the Section Commander was wounded. He immediately took over the gun and advanced with great intrepidity firing from the hip. The enemy was thus forced to keep his head down right until our line reached the trench and this man's coolness undoubtedly saved the lives of many of our men.</i></p> <p><i>J. E. Bunt Lieut. Col. Commanding 15th Battalion (48th Highlanders of Canada)</i></p>		<i>Military Medal</i>	

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<p>15th Battalion 48th Highlanders of Canada.</p>	<p>47850</p>	<p>CORPORAL STANLEY <u>EFFINGER</u></p>	<p><u>ATTACK OF APRIL 9th SOUTH OF THELUS</u> Corporal Effinger took command of his platoon after the Platoon Commander was killed. At this time the platoon had suffered many casualties and the men had become scattered. Showing an utter disregard for his personal safety he rallied his platoon and reorganized them in the face of the enemy's fire, and at all times his bravery was exemplary.</p>		<p>m.m.</p>	

Approved M.M.
D.P.O. d/16.5.17

*10, Lt Col
 Lt Col, commanding
 15th Battalion
 48th Highlanders of Canada*

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Canadian Battalion (Highlanders of Canada)		Acting Major ALISTAIR FRASER	<p>This officer went over in the attack of April 9th south of THELUS and bravely led his company in the conquest of the Front and Support Lines of the German position. He showed the greatest valour in leading his men across No Mans Land under heavy machine gun fire and manipulated them through the many craters with the greatest dexterity.</p> <p>On reaching the front line he was an example to his men in his determination to exterminate the enemy and his work was the admiration of all ranks. It was here that he was first wounded but without hesitation he led his company on to the Support line only to fall again. This time he was hit badly through the groin and was forced to remain where he was.</p> <p>This officer has a fine record of Service with the Battalion since June 1915 and has on many previous occasions performed acts of great bravery. He has been wounded before also</p>		Military Cross	

Awarded mil. Cross
DRO. d/26-5-17

B. E. Paet
Lieut Col
Commanding
15th Bn 48th Highlanders
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	15 th Battalion 48 th Highlanders (of Canada)	47998	LANCE CORPORAL JAMES HARVEY	<p>Attack of April 9th. South of THELUS</p> <p>Although Lance Corporal Harvey was wounded early in the attack, he bravely led his men through the defences of the German Support Line and showed the most brilliant courage in this work.</p> <p>He personally led a Bombing attack on a small pocket of the Bosch who were holding our advance up and with great daring he led his men when they rushed the trench and killed the Hunns therein.</p>			

*Awarded Medal
JRO/16.5.17*

*Lieut Col.
O.C. 15th Canadian Bn.*

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<p>* Battalion * Highlanders of Canada</p>	<p>77524</p>	<p>Lance Sergeant CHARLES HUNT</p>	<p>Attack of April 9th South of THelus This N.C.O.'s platoon commander was killed and he took command of the platoon and led it against a strong German Bombing Post which was impeding our advance. He himself jumped bravely into the post and bayoneted five of the enemy. He then reorganized his platoon and went on until he was wounded</p>		<p>... Military Medal</p>	
<p>awarded mil. medal WRO. /16-5-17</p>			<p>Lieut. Col Commanding 15th Bn 48th Highlanders of Canada</p>			

Recommendations
No 192774 Lt Johnston E.
(Observer & Intel. Sect.)

1 Lt Johnston during the
"re-advance" previous
to the action, particularly formed
himself of the duties of the
sergeant, the trench back area
especially their possible
assembly positions, trenches
woods etc, & the approaches to
same.

During the whole of the
action Lt Johnston was in charge
of the observation & signaling
arrangements carried out by
the B Coy at Borne P.P. His
reports were clear & concise
and passed on ^{with} ~~speed~~ ^{accuracy} to HQ.

His reports regarding the
approach of the enemy attacking
from the positions they
occupied made it possible
to take measures to shatter
them in their assembly
points, or to make dispositions

To: Officer Commanding
15th Bn Arty.
18-7-17

Sir:

I have the honour to
mention the following in
connection with recent
operations, in addition
to those recommended for
Special Consideration:-

Lieut Penny - 1st Bn
who brought up reinforcements
and did good work on
the left flank.

Lieut McLean - 1st Bn
for hard work and good
ability while on the left
flank.

No 192774 Sgt Robertson MA
who took command of his
Platoon when his officer became
a casualty and carried on
in a most efficient manner.

Sheppard Maj
and 1st Bn Co.

2nd rec

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<p>15th Battalion 48th Clanders of Canada</p>		<p>LIEUTENANT GARNET ERNSCLIFFE MACKLIN</p>	<p>This officer made a daylight reconnaissance of the enemy's line the day before the attack against the German positions south of Helou on April 9th. By his daring much valuable information was gained for the attack. When our men were being placed in the Assembly Trenches in No Man's Land, the enemy, suspecting something unusual, opened up rifle & machine gun fire and sent over rifle grenades. For a moment, all was confusion but this officer kept perfectly cool and directed and quieted the men until all was again normal. He undoubtedly stopped a confusion that might have developed into a disaster.</p>		<p>Military Cross</p>	
<p>W. E. Bunt Lieut Col Commanding 15th Battalion (48th Hq of C)</p>						

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<p>15th Halion 48th Landers of nada.</p>		<p>LIEUTENANT MAITLAND FULLER NEWMAN.</p>	<p>This officer took part in the operations of April 9th south of Delmas, when the Battalion had reached the final objective, it was necessary that he advance beyond the objective and place a block in the communication trench. He was met with a withering machine gun fire but with steadfast courage and the greatest fortitude he had his party block the trench. Although he was very badly wounded himself in the lung even after he had fallen he remained at his duty and directed his men. The block was successful and the enemy was kept at bay until our barrage lifted and the line advanced to a further objective.</p>		<p>Military Cross</p>	<p>W. E. Bent Lieut Col Commanding 15th Battalion (48th H of C)</p>

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Recommendations for Decorations

Order of Preference

Officers

1. Lieut RA Brown
2. Lieut W. Proudfoot
3. Lieut G. E. Muckler
4. Lieut M. J. Newman
5. Lieut G. B. Chisholm
6. Lieut A. Samuel

Other Ranks

- | | | | |
|---|--------------------|----|----------------|
| 1 | Sergt. D. G. Bell | 10 | L. Corp Harney |
| 2 | Comd Sgt. Richards | " | Pte Duman |
| 3 | Corp. Varney | 12 | L. Corp Conley |
| 4 | Corp Macdonald | | |
| 5 | L. Sergt. Hunt | | |
| 6 | Corp Effinger | | |
| 7 | Corp. O'Lea | | |
| 8 | Corp Williams | | |
| 9 | L. Corp Watson | | |

C. W. Haldenby
Lieut + adj. a.

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4 Battalion Highlanders of Canada.	2807	Corporal FRANK ODD	In the attack of April 9 th against the German trenches south of THELUS, this M.C.O. did very fine work in keeping up communication by means of visual signalling. He relayed messages from the flanks back to our batteries when our shells were falling short and he showed the greatest coolness in his work while under machine gun and shell fire.	L. G. Burt Lieut Col. Commanding 15 th Bn 48 Highlanders Canada	Military Medal	

awarded Medal
DTCO / 16-5-17

15th INF Brigade. 1ST CANADIAN Division. CANADIAN Corps. 15TH APRIL 1917 Date of Recommendation.

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<p>15TH BATTALION 48TH HLANDERS OF CANADA.</p>		<p>LIEUTENANT WILLIAM PROUDFOOT</p>	<p>In the preparatory patrol work for the attack of April 7th, this officer worked unceasingly to gather information regarding the enemy's line and at the greatest risk to himself.</p> <p>In the attack he took charge of the forward O.P. station that advanced with the line as it went forward. Although subjected to fierce shelling he kept constantly in touch with his report centre and was able to keep Headquarters accurately informed of the progress of the attack all the way through. He showed an utter disregard for his personal safety wherever the situation demanded it, and his bravery on this occasion is worthy of the greatest commendation.</p> <p>Although badly wounded he carried on until ordered to retire.</p>		<p>Military Cross</p>	
				<p>L. R. Bant Lieut Col, Commanding 15th Battalion (48th H of C)</p>		

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	<p>15th Canadian Battalion (48th Highlanders of Canada)</p>	46336	<p>Sergeant RALPH RICHARDS</p>	<p>Attack of April 9th South of THIEUS Sergeant Richards was on the second line of the attack and at EISNER GRABEN trench, he saw some Germans coming out of a dug- out He doubled forward under our barage, bayoneted a man in the dugout, shoved the body down stairs on the top of those coming up and then threw bombs down the dugout. He was himself wounded at the final objective.</p>		<p>Military Medal</p>	

Awarded Mil Medal
ARO of 16-5-17

Lieut Col Commanding
15th Bn 48th Highlanders of Canada

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	15 th Canadian Battalion	27683	Corporal ALFRED ERNEST VARNEY	<p><u>Attack of April 9th South of THIEVES</u></p> <p>During this operation this N.C.O. was in charge of the Battalion runners and he displayed great courage and initiative in keeping up communication. He went over in the attack and had his runners keep in touch with all parts of the advance so that Hagtro was always well informed as to the progress of the attack.</p>		Military Medal	

Awarded mil medal
DRO/16-5-17

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	15 th Canadian Battalion (48 th Highlanders of Canada)	77571	Lance Corp WATSON	<p>Attack of April 9th South of THELUS</p> <p>This mans section was held up by machine gun fire in the attack. He quickly organized a flanking attack upon the M.G. emplacement and though his section suffered many casualties he succeeded in capturing the M.G. and he bayoneted the men who were operating the gun.</p> <p>all through the attack he displayed the greatest coolness and daring.</p>			

Awarded Mil. Medal
DRO/16-517

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	15th. Can. Battalion. 48th. Highlanders of Canada.		Lieutenant Richard Scougall Cassells WEBBER.	<p>At about midnight on the night of 8th - 9th May 1917, the enemy was shelling the Battalion Front Line Trench (NOVA SCOTIA Trench just S.W. ACHEVILLE) very heavily and Lieut. Webber was wounded in the arm and shoulder by pieces of a shell. As he was making his way down the trench to have his wounds dressed, he came upon two members of his platoon whom a shell had buried. He at once commenced digging them out. That portion of the trench was being severely shelled and he himself was suffering intensely from his wounds, but he did not cease his efforts until the men were recovered.</p> <p>This Officer has always shown great coolness under shell fire and his determination and steadiness on this occasion are certainly worthy of recognition.</p>		Military Cross	

*Awarded mil Cross
1st Can Div A.G. 11-82/17-7.17*

by Lieut-Col.,
Commanding,
15th. Battalion,
48th. Highlanders of Canada.

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	15 th Bn. 48 th Highlanders of Bermuda		Lieutenant RICHARD AUSTIN BROWN	<p>The attack of April 6th South of THELUS This officer took command of his company when the company commander was wounded early in the attack. He led his men with great bravery keeping them close under the protection of our barrage.</p> <p>In approaching one of the enemy's support trenches, the company was suddenly met by heavy fire from an enemy machine gun. Lieut Brown immediately organized flanking parties and at the same time he had his Lewis guns fire from the front.</p> <p>The enemy were forced to give up after having most of their crew killed. Lieut Brown on this occasion showed the greatest resourcefulness and his quickness in making a decision and arranging this minor attack showed him to be an officer deserving of commendation.</p>		Military Cross	

Awarded Mil Cross
ARO 4/26.5.17

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15th Batta
48th Regt