

## MURPHY, GEORGE FRANCIS.

C.M.G., D.S.O. and Bar, Arts (e) and Military Science :  
Lieutenant-Colonel, 18th Battn., A.I.F., Gallipoli, Egypt,  
France and Sea Transport Service.

Enlisting in November, 1914, and sailing as O.C. A Coy., 20th Battn., in June, 1915, transferred at Gallipoli to 18th, rising to second in command. Wounded during September and ill at Base Hospital, but remained till the Evacuation when in command of battn. at Plugge's Plateau and Anzac Beach. After service in Sinai and Egypt, crossed to France in March, 1916, and was wounded at Pozières in July. Rejoined battn. on recovery, and, after extraordinary success in senior command, was promoted lieutenant-colonel to command battn. in October, being on two occasions in 1918 in temporary command of 7th Brigade. Returned on troopship "Medic" as O.C. Troops late in 1918. Subsequently re-embarked on "Ypiringa" on Transport Service, finally returning in January, 1920. Made C.M.G. in 1918. Awarded D.S.O. in May, 1917, and Bar\* 16th September, 1918, and Mentioned in Despatches seven times.

Sheriff.

Early education at Pymont Public School. Later at Teachers' College.

\* "He went forward in company with one N.C.O. and noticing that an enemy machine-gun post with seven men had been left undestroyed, he and the N.C.O. rushed the post across 100 yards of open country and captured it entirely . . . His fine courage and cheerfulness under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire were a great example to all ranks."—*London Gazette*, 16th September, 1918.

". . . Has provided one of the most remarkable achievements in the fine record of our University soldiers."—*Hermes*, June, 1918.