

63212 Sapper G. H. Johnson, 96th Field Company, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 8th/9th October, 1915, in persisting in an attempt to cut the German wires in front of their trenches in the Laventie area, after he had been wounded.

18165 Private T. Jones, 1st Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment.

For conspicuous bravery on the 29th September, 1915, near Vermelles. Private Jones displayed the greatest bravery in continuing to throw bombs from our parapet, although under constant and direct heavy fire. The enemy had cut off the left flank, and he helped to bomb them out and retake the trench. The whole action lasted six hours, and nearly all his fellow bomb-throwers were killed or wounded. His gallantry and devotion to duty were most marked.

S.1434 Private G. J. Judkins, 11th Battalion, Rifle Brigade.

For gallantry, resource and coolness on 16th October, 1915, near Fauquissart, in locating the exact spot where a party of Germans were concealed, which resulted in their being driven out. Private Judkins was severely wounded on this occasion.

16254 Private J. Kell, 7th Battalion, Somerset Light Infantry (attached 181st Company, Royal Engineers).

For conspicuous bravery on 2nd October, 1915, near Laventie, when he voluntarily assisted an Officer in his attempts to rescue men from a mine full of poisonous gas; finally rescuing the Officer himself, single-handed, when the latter collapsed. His devotion to duty was most marked.

1140 Lance-Serjeant J. W. Kelly, 1st/6th Battalion, West Yorkshire Regiment, Territorial Force.

For conspicuous gallantry on 24th September, 1915, on the Yser Canal. Owing to heavy bombardment by the enemy with trench mortars, a platoon was ordered to withdraw. While this was being done, a dug-out was blown in by a trench mortar. Serjeant Kelly, in company with another Non-commissioned Officer, hearing groans, went back, started digging, and finally dug out two men. While doing so they were exposed to very heavy fire from the enemy's trench mortars, and were in view of the enemy the whole time. Their bravery and total disregard of danger were very marked.

5787 Serjeant-Major W. King, 1st Battalion, Royal Berkshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 28th September, 1915, near Vermelles. During and after the attack on Fosse No. 8, when most

of the Officers had been killed or wounded, Serjeant-Major King led the men to the attack with the greatest bravery and a total disregard to personal safety. He afterwards rendered invaluable services in helping to reorganise the Battalion under most trying conditions, and while still under heavy fire. His powers of leadership and untiring energy gave encouragement to all ranks.

10307 Regimental Serjeant-Major G. Lainsbury, 8th Battalion, Royal Berkshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 25th September, 1915. After being slightly "gassed" at the commencement of the assault, Regimental Serjeant-Major Lainsbury rallied about 60 men, and fought his way through to Hulluch, organising, at the same time, parties for the supply of ammunition. On the 26th September he left the trenches under heavy fire and collected ammunition from the dead and wounded. He has, on all occasions, given a fine example of bravery and devotion to duty.

55713 Acting Bombardier F. Lane, 97th Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry in the attacks of the 2nd May, 4th and 28th June, 6th and 7th August, 1915, on Cape Helles (Dardanelles). Bombardier Lane displayed the greatest bravery and resource in repeatedly repairing telephone lines under heavy shell and rifle fire. No work was too hazardous for him to undertake, and he showed throughout the greatest devotion to duty.

847 Gunner H. M. Lane, 8th (London) Howitzer Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 25th of September, 1915, at Grenay. Whilst transmitting a message, a shell burst in the building next to where he was, and filled the place with dust and débris. He continued his message as though unconscious of the incident. Although under heavy fire, he displayed perfect steadiness and devotion to duty. In May he had been brought to notice on four occasions for gallant work under fire at Festubert.

1820 Lance-Corporal C. Leadbeater, 1/5th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry near Zillebeke on 30th September, 1915. When a mine was exploded under trench 47, this Non-Commissioned Officer was in charge of the listening post at the end of the trench, and was blown over the parapet by the explosion. He at once crawled back, and, although seriously injured, collected his men, opened rapid rifle fire on the enemy, and remained in command until ordered to go to a dressing station.