

handled his guns with the greatest bravery and dash during the later stages of the assault, when both the machine-gun Officers had been wounded. With another Non-Commissioned Officer he pushed on with one gun, and materially assisted in the advance. While firing the gun the safety-catch was struck by a bullet, stopping the gun. Although under very heavy fire, he took out the damaged portion and continued to fire without it.

6048 Acting Serjeant C. Spencer, 2nd Battalion, East Surrey Regiment.

For conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty from the 27th to the 30th September, 1915, during the operations near Hohenzollern Redoubt. To save a critical situation bombs had to be taken to a trench, which was cut off owing to the communication trench being filled with dead and wounded. Serjeant Spencer, with a gallantry and determination beyond all praise, led parties on six different occasions, across a shell and rifle fire swept area, and in this manner delivered bombs which helped to save the situation.

9217 Private F. G. Stevens, 1st Battalion, Scottish Rifles.

For conspicuous bravery on the 27th September, 1915, near Cambrin. Private Stevens was one of a party sent out, by daylight, to ascertain if the enemy's parapet was fully manned. He reached the parapet after most of the party had been killed or wounded, and succeeded in returning with a message that the trenches were fully manned and machine-guns mounted. Later on, he again went out over the parapet and succeeded in bringing in a wounded man.

1485 Private C. H. I. Stewart, 20th (County of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (Blackheath and Woolwich), Territorial Force.

For conspicuous gallantry from the 25th to 28th September, 1915, at Maroc and Loos. Although wounded on the first day when carrying in a wounded man, he refused to retire, and continued his duties during the four following days in spite of his wound, exhibiting a gallantry and devotion to duty beyond praise.

94695 Gunner C. G. Stone, 73rd Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry near St. Vaast on 15th September, 1915. When a B.L. wagon body had been set on fire by a shell striking one of the cartridges, Gunner Stone at once left his shelter and began removing the ammunition, his example being followed by other men. He was not only in imminent danger from the explosion of the ammunition, but high explosive shells were falling in and around the battery at the time.

18271 Private A. Street, 1st Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 29th September, 1915, near Vermelles, when he carried bombs up to the front line trenches, and then stood on the parapet and fired, while the bombers advanced down a sap covered by him. He was fully exposed to heavy rifle and bomb fire from the enemy, but he remained at his post till the enemy had been repulsed. His bravery and devotion were most marked.

36943 Bombardier A. E. Stroud, Headquarters, 15th Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 28th June, 1915, at Cape Helles (Dardanelles), when he was constantly at work repairing telephone lines under heavy rifle and shell fire from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until he was at last severely wounded. Throughout the action the telephonic communication of the artillery was maintained in spite of the hostile gun fire. This was due to Bombardier Stroud's coolness and bravery. He gave a splendid example of devotion to duty.

14324 Corporal G. Stubbs, 10th Battalion, Yorkshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry during the action at Hill 70, south-east of Loos, on the 25th and 26th September, 1915, in conveying messages under a continuous and galling fire. Corporal Stubbs gave a fine example of total disregard of danger and of devotion to duty.

32674 Lance-Corporal J. Sweeney, 42nd Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 25th, 26th and 27th September, 1915, at Hooze, when he stayed in an open trench under very heavy shell fire, directing the stretcher-bearers and dressing many wounded. Lance-Corporal Sweeney continued this duty for twenty-seven hours, and then led stretcher-bearer parties up and down the trenches to the advance trenches, working incessantly for forty-eight hours. His devotion to duty was most marked.

2087 Serjeant A. J. Taylor, 7th City of London Battalion, The London Regiment, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 25th of September, 1915, at Loos, when he showed great powers of leadership in cutting off and capturing a party of Germans. He also displayed great bravery and coolness in the German counter-attack on the Double Crassier when, with three bombers, he held the enemy back till the trench was double blocked.