

9872 Lance-Corporal L. E. Birmingham, 1st Battalion, Royal Berkshire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry during and after an attack. He continually encouraged the men on, and later showed great bravery in gathering in the wounded under fire. He is always ready for dangerous patrol work.

3/4183 Company Serjeant-Major A. Bisset, Depôt, Royal Highlanders (formerly 8th Battalion).

For conspicuous gallantry and ability. When all his Officers were killed or wounded he took charge, and handled the men with great skill.

2231 Corporal D. Black, 1st/5th Battalion, West Riding Regiment, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry during a heavy bombardment. He is always cheerful and ready for any dangerous work.

1750 Lance-Serjeant (now Second Lieutenant) J. R. Black, 1st/9th (Highlanders) Battalion, Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment), T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and good patrol work. Lance-Corporals Black and Watson were always ready to volunteer for any hazardous work.

399 Serjeant R. H. S. Black, 49th West Riding Divisional Signal Company, Royal Engineers, T.F.

For consistent good work. He has displayed zeal and devotion to duty of a high order.

911 Lance-Corporal E. Blackman, 3rd/4th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment, T.F. (formerly 1st/4th Battalion).

For conspicuous gallantry when he carried messages to the advanced trenches, crawling over an open space of 500 yards under heavy shell and machine-gun fire.

M2/045797 Private G. Blair, Army Service Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry while driving his motor ambulance. The ambulance was hit, and he was wounded, but he made several journeys along a road much exposed to shell fire.

7984 Corporal J. J. Blake, 18th Hussars.

For conspicuous bravery and devotion. He repeatedly entered a trench and rescued men who had been wounded, and assisted to carry them to a place of safety under a heavy shell fire.

176 Serjeant G. Bland, 1/2nd West Riding Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry when in charge of stretcher-bearers. His bravery and devotion to duty was at all times most marked.

T/20683 Serjeant J. T. Bland, Army Service Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion when he repeatedly led the horse ambulance wagons backwards and forwards, under very heavy shell fire, collecting wounded. All the wagons were damaged by fire.

13726 Corporal F. Bleazard, 15th Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry. When the Observing Station was hit by a shell Corporal Bleazard continued at his instrument, and got an important message through before the wires were cut in several places. He afterwards re-established communication in half an hour under a heavy shell fire.

2423 Lance-Serjeant E. R. Blizzard, 5th Lancers.

For conspicuous gallantry. Lance-Serjeant Blizzard was in charge of a party, which erected a wire entanglement and filled in an old communication trench leading towards the enemy, under very heavy fire. He carried out this duty with great coolness and ability. He has been twice previously recommended.

2233 Corporal (Acting Serjeant) G. Blyth, 2nd Battalion, Royal Highlanders.

For conspicuous gallantry. When shell fire had buried five guns, Lance-Corporal Blyth and Privates Bell and McLeod dug them out and continued to serve the one gun remaining uninjured. Later they dug out the guns of another unit, and served them till they were destroyed by shell fire. Private McLeod was wounded.

8610 Serjeant W. Blyth, 1st Battalion, Scottish Rifles.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion, when in charge of the Battalion Signallers, frequently being called upon to repair the wires under heavy fire.

3811 Drummer R. Boccock, 1st/5th (The Sutherland and Caithness Highland) Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders, T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry in bringing in wounded men in front of the fire trench. Most of the wounded lay in crops and long grass midway between the British and enemy trenches, and he was under rifle, machine gun and shell fire the whole time.