

T./Z. 8380 Able Sea. N. Schofield, Mach. Gun Coy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While carrying a message he was wounded in the back some 150 yards from his objective, but managed to crawl the remainder of the way, and safely delivered his message.

T.Z. 853 P.O. T. B. Simpson, R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his platoon with great gallantry, and succeeded in driving off two strong enemy counter-attacks. On another occasion while leading a bombing party he was wounded, but refused to leave his post.

44125 Pte. T. R. Slack, Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He fired his machine gun at point blank range and killed the whole of an enemy gun team, thereby enabling the clearing of the enemy front line to be successfully accomplished.

23921 Sjt. H. G. Smith, R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry during an aerial combat with two enemy machines. Although wounded, he kept control, and continued to manoeuvre his machine so as to offer the most difficult target to the enemy.

10619 Pte. H. Thompson, R. W. Kent R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. He handled his machine gun with great courage and determination, thereby covering the advance of the left party. Later, he remained out alone in position with his gun under very heavy fire. He has previously done fine work.

23/1364 C.S.M. E. J. Watson, North'd Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He succeeded in bringing back several wounded men under very heavy fire. He has previously done fine work.

12084 Pte. A. H. Wheeler, Wilts. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. Although very severely wounded he crawled back to our lines, secured a bomb-carrying party, and then crawled half way back across "No Man's Land" in order that he might direct the party to where the bombs were required.

S/1732 Actg. C./S./M. D. Wilkie, Gord. High.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. With his Company Commander he attacked an enemy post, bombed several of the defenders, and captured two prisoners. Later, he, single-handed, captured thirteen more prisoners. He has previously done fine work.

AUSTRALIAN FORCE.

8847 Sjt. J. A. Freeman, Aust. Fld. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rushed into a pit which was on fire, and with his bare hands threw many burning charges clear of the pit into the

snow. His gallant act undoubtedly saved several lives.

2600 Sjt. A. C. Gove, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He entered an enemy dug-out and, single-handed, captured five prisoners. Later, he repeatedly carried bombs to the front line under intense fire. On another occasion, at great personal risk, he extinguished a fire which broke out in a box of bombs.

3623 Pte. E. C. Penny, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He could see no movement in the enemy's trench, so, walking 120 yards across "No Man's Land," he entered the enemy trench, where he found a badly wounded comrade. He obtained a stretcher from the nearest company, and, with a volunteer, rescued the wounded man.

2435 Pte. M. D. Robertson, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although wounded, he organised a bombing party, and repeatedly repelled the enemy. He set a splendid example of courage and initiative throughout the operations.

3136 L./Cpl. R. B. Withers, Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He repelled an enemy bombing party and secured his flank at a critical time. Later, although himself wounded, he carried several wounded men back to the dressing station under heavy fire. He set a magnificent example of courage and devotion to duty.

CANADIAN FORCE.

193598 Pte. C. L. Myles, Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. He carried a wounded officer from the enemy trench for a considerable distance back towards our lines under very heavy fire. Later, he again rejoined his party and was wounded.

His Majesty the KING-EMPEROR has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Indian Distinguished Service Medal to the undermentioned Officer and Non-commissioned Officer of the Indian Army:—

Subadar Mota Singh, Sikh Pnrs.

4512 Naik (temp. Hav.) Sadhu Singh, Sikh Pnrs.

AMENDMENTS.

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Awarded the Distinguished Service Order.
For Maj. and Bt. Col. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Edward Ivan de Sausmarez Thorpe, Bedf. R.,
Read Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. (temp. Lt.-Col.) Edward Ivan de Sausmarez Thorpe, Bedf. R.