

He then attacked a second gun, killing the whole of the crew of twelve.

By the destruction of these two guns, he undoubtedly saved his own and other units from very severe casualties, and his magnificent courage and gallantry ensured the capture of the objective.

During the consolidation of the position he received a second severe wound.

He set, throughout, a great example of heroism.

No. 1804 Pte. John Carroll, Aus. Infy.

For most conspicuous bravery.

During an attack, immediately the barrage lifted, Pte. John Carroll rushed the enemy's trench and bayoneted four of the enemy.

He then noticed a comrade in difficulties, and at once proceeded to his comrade's assistance and killed one of the enemy. He continued working ahead with great determination until he came across a machine gun and team of four men in a shell-hole.

Single-handed he attacked the entire team, killing three of the men and capturing the gun.

Later on two of his comrades were buried by a shell, and, in spite of very heavy shelling and machine gun fire, he managed to extricate them.

During the 96 hours the battalion was in the line Pte. Carroll displayed most wonderful courage and fearlessness.

His magnificent example of gallantry and devotion to duty inspired all ranks in his battalion.

No. 80887 Pte. John George Pattison, Can. Infy.

For most conspicuous bravery in attack.

When the advance of our troops was held up by an enemy machine gun, which was inflicting severe casualties, Pte. Pattison, with utter disregard of his own safety, sprang forward and, jumping from shell-hole to shell-hole, reached cover within 30 yards of the enemy gun.

From this point, in face of heavy fire, he hurled bombs, killing and wounding some of the crew, then rushed forward, overcoming and bayoneting the surviving five gunners.

His valour and initiative undoubtedly saved the situation and made possible the further advance to the objective.

No. 2251 Pte. William Ratcliffe, S. Lanc. R.

For most conspicuous bravery.

After an enemy's trench had been captured, Pte. Ratcliffe located an enemy machine gun which was firing on his comrades from the rear, whereupon, single-handed and on his own initiative, he immediately rushed the machine gun position and bayoneted the crew. He then brought the gun back into action in the front line.

This very gallant soldier has displayed great resource on previous occasions, and has set an exceptionally fine example of devotion to duty.

*Civil Service Commission,*

*August 3, 1917.*

In pursuance of the provisions of His late Majesty's Order in Council of the 10th January 1910, the Civil Service Commissioners hereby announce the undermentioned Appointments, Promotions, &c. (including Assignments of Second Division Clerks, and the Transfer of an Assistant Clerk of the Abstractor Class), for the month of July 1917:—

I.—CERTIFICATES ISSUED, &c.

July 2, 1917.

AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

National Health Insurance Commission, England: Woman Clerks—Winifred Maud Mary Fruin, Margaret Reid Robertson, Gwendolyn Mary Wilkins.

Public Trustee Office: Woman Clerk—Ina Amelia Strong.

Post Office: Woman Clerks—Lydia May Bray, Helena Hegarty, Doris Irvine, Harriette Louise L'Amie.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Admiralty: Established Storehouseman, Second Grade, in the Naval Store Department—Arthur Bernard Madden.

H.M. Dockyards and Naval Establishments: Shipwrights—James Riddell Smith, Charles John Lambert Turnbull.

Skilled Labourer—Frederick William George Dixon.

Post Office: Male Learner, London—William Charles Husson.

Female Clerical Assistant, Jersey—Beatrice Emily Jenne.

Telephonists, London—Annie Alice Pym, Dorothy Ethel Mary Williams.

Telephonists—Edith Carrette (Cork), Catherine Chadwick (Liverpool), Kathleen Mary Driver (Leeds), Edith Mary Mann (Otley).

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Admiralty: Third Grade Clerk in H.M. Naval Establishments—Philip David Maxwell Attwood.

Ministry of Pensions: Second Class Clerk (Intermediate Grade)—Albert George William Sawyer.

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AFTER OPEN COMPETITION.

Public Trustee Office: Woman Clerk—Isabella Ferguson Macleod.

Post Office: Woman Clerk—Nellie Gray.

Girl Clerks—Jean Cowan Ramage, Roberta M'Clymont Stevenson.

Female Sorting Assistant—Winifred Margaret Beryl Mercer.

WITHOUT COMPETITION.

Admiralty: H.M. Dockyards and Naval Establishments, Joiner—Charles Henry Meade.

Shipwrights—William Bradshaw Abbott, William James Braddon, Fred Bryant, Charles