

81520 Sjt. J. H. Faulkner, M.G. Corps (Wigan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in an advanced position under intense enemy shell fire. He kept his guns in action for two days, assisted the wounded, and kept up the ammunition supply. He showed the utmost disregard of danger, and it was largely due to his personal courage that the guns were kept in action with such success.

931422 Bombr. H. E. W. Fayerbrother, R.F.A. (Finsbury Park, London, N.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the battery was heavily shelled and the signal pit blown in. He remained under heavy shell fire, though he was wounded, and assisted in extricating wounded men from the pit. He afterwards repaired the broken wires, and re-established communication under fire. Throughout the bombardment he showed the greatest coolness, courage and devotion to duty.

351889 L./Cpl. G. Fernie, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He assumed command of his platoon, led it to the final objective, collected men of other platoons, and consolidated his position. Though himself wounded he remained at duty until relieved.

280455 Sjt. H. Finney, Lancs. Fus. (Senderton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of a patrol. He pushed out within twenty-five yards of the enemy's position until stopped by rifle fire. He then withdrew his patrol and lay up two hours in "No Man's Land." The following night he went out again and lay up close to the enemy position, obtaining valuable information as to their dispositions.

420820 C.S.M. H. P. Flack, Lond. R. (Stamford Hill).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He assumed command of his company at a very critical period, when they were moving forward to meet a hostile counter-attack. It was largely due to his splendid example and fine leadership that confusion was prevented and the company reached their position under very heavy fire.

24983 Sjt. W. Flint, Notts. and Derby. R. (Mansfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a platoon, though severely wounded during a heavy bombardment, he continued at duty. By remaining with his men in the front line until relieved he set an example of coolness, courage, and devotion to duty which was invaluable at a most critical time.

350875 Pte. J. Flynn, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was the first man to reach a strong point held by ten of the enemy. He showed great courage and initiative in bombing the occupants and killing seven of

them. He finally succeeded in capturing the position.

S./3855 Sjt. W. S. Flynn, Arg. and Suth'd Highrs. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in organising four Lewis guns under very heavy fire and taking them forward to meet a counter-attack which he completely stopped. He then proceeded to dig in under fire with about fifteen men in front of an enemy strong point, preventing the garrison from advancing by his action.

940240 Cpl. S. C. Ford, R.F.A. (St. John's, London, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the battery was heavily shelled and the position had to be evacuated he returned with twenty others and carried away a wounded man, while two ammunition dumps close by were exploding. He set a splendid example of courage in leaving a place of safety to rescue the wounded man.

12015 A./L./Sjt. J. Fotheringham, S. Gds. (E. Ham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of a party of men loading trucks. When the enemy put down a heavy gas barrage he collected his scattered parties, superintended the adjustment of box-respirators, and guided them down the track. Hearing that a wounded man had been left behind he returned with two stretcher-bearers through a gas-barrage and brought him to the dressing station.

S./2876 C.S.M. J. Fox, Gord. Highrs. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though wounded in both arms, he continued to perform his duties under heavy shell fire that caused twelve or fifteen casualties.

370625 Sjt. H. J. Francis, Lond. R. (Parsons Green).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. When all the officers became casualties he at once took command of the company and led them to the capture of the objective. He reorganised and consolidated the position and showed the greatest ability in his dispositions. He displayed splendid qualities of courage and leadership.

L./6778 Gnr. J. Fraser, R.F.A. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his battery was being heavily shelled, whilst in action, this man assisted the wounded and helped to dig out men who had been buried. He volunteered for dangerous duties of all kinds, and entered a gun pit while the camouflage was on fire and ammunition exploding, to see if any wounded still remained. He showed great coolness and courage under circumstances of extreme danger.

99314 B.S.M. W. J. Freeman, R.G.A. (Forest Gate, Essex).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the neighbourhood of the battery was heavily bombed by hostile aircraft, causing a number of casualties and a