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L/6243 C.S./M. A. J. Saunders, E. Kent R. (Hove).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has consistently performed excellent work throughout, and, by his courage and cheerfulness, has at all times set a splendid example to his company.

96071 Pte. W. P. Sharratt, M.G. Co. (Bedford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great determination and fearlessness in keeping up the supply of ammunition for two machine guns during an action.

G/13381 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) J. Shaughnessy, R. Fus. ("E" Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has rendered excellent service during a long period, shown great courage in action, and set a splendid example to all ranks.

200087 C.S.M. J. Simmons, R. Suss. R. (Hurstpierpoint).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great coolness and initiative in two engagements with the enemy, and set a splendid example to his company.

T/1156 Armt. S./Sjt. H. Sladdin, A.O.C. (Hull).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When one of the guns went out of action he at once proceeded on a motor cycle to the gun positions, which were being heavily shelled. His cycle was hit by several splinters and shrapnel bullets whilst he was going to the guns. On arriving there he at once started work in front of the gun, in the most exposed part of the emplacement. Several shrapnel bullets entered the embrasure while he was working. By his courageous action the gun was brought into action again with minimum loss of time. His constant devotion to duty and utter disregard of danger contributed largely to keeping the guns in action.

2813 B./S./M. E. G. Stare, R.G.A. ("E" Southampton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has performed consistent good work throughout, and his services in strenuous and trying times have been invaluable. He has always shown remarkable coolness under fire, and by his splendid example has exercised an excellent influence on the battery.

235989 L./Cpl. J. B. Symonds, Hereford R. (Hereford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an action. He showed great courage in crossing an exposed piece of ground under very heavy rifle fire to obtain an important message from a runner who was lying wounded in the open.

235330 Sig. Sjt. C. E. S. Teague, Glouc. R. (Cinderford, Glo'shire).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised and maintained his communications with great ability during an action. He displayed untiring energy, and set a fine example to those under him.

45097 Sjt. D. S. Thomas, Yeo. (Kingston-on-Thames).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when on patrol. On all occasions he has shown resource, intelligence and absolute disregard of personal danger. He has set a fine example throughout.

321302 Gnr. S. H. Thomas, R.G.A. (Newlyn).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst in charge of an ammunition column. He showed great coolness and resolution in extricating his men from a very difficult position. Nine of his men were killed, and he was ordered to withdraw, which he did under heavy fire at close range without the loss of any ammunition. He set a fine example of courage and resource.

14/12025 C.S./M. F. Thompson, L'pool R. (Chatham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the consolidation of a newly-won position, which his company was holding, he greatly assisted his company commander in organising the defence, and set a fine example of steadfastness and courage throughout. He had previously done fine work as Transport Serjeant and as Company Serjeant-Major, and has repeatedly done good work in patrol.

550992 Sjt. P. R. Thomson, Lond. R. (Hornsey).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great courage and determination in holding an advanced trench under continuous shell fire and handled its garrison most ably when attacked by the enemy.

13568 C.S./M. C. Thorne, Wilts. R. (Swindon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all his company officers had been killed or wounded he took command, rallying the company after heavy casualties had been sustained, and keeping the men together. His pluck and determination inspired confidence, and set a very fine example at a time when it was most needed.

L/34897 Sjt. F. L. Tilley, R.F.A. (Jamaica).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the battery was being shelled by a 5.9 howitzer and the detachment was being withdrawn. He returned with utter disregard of danger, while the bombardment was at its height, and removed the sights of his gun at great personal risk.

300001 C.S.M. W. A. Trumble, Essex R. (Clapton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great initiative and coolness in reorganising the firing line dur-