

40615 Pte. (L./C.) W. Yardley, M.M., 1st Bn., R. Ir. Rif. (Stockton).

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack south of Dadizeele on the 2nd October, 1918. When his platoon was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, which put half the platoon out of action, he moved about with great coolness controlling and directing his men. Later, he went into No Man's Land and brought in two wounded men; he again returned and carried into safety a badly-wounded officer, though the ground was swept with machine-gun fire.

63272 Pte. J. Yarker, 2nd Bn., W. York. R. (Crackenthorpe).

For most conspicuous gallantry and good work during the attack on the Haute-Deule Canal on the 12th October, 1918. Single-handed he rushed forward and attacked a machine gun which was holding up the advance from the oil-tanks in Corbehem. After silencing the gun he went on towards the only remaining bridge, and tried to force a crossing, but the bridge was blown up. The machine-gun crew had by this time re-established themselves in the oil tanks. He again attacked them, and by his good shooting killed several of the crew and drove off the remainder. He thus captured the machine gun practically single-handed.

32269 Pte. (L./C.) A. Yarrington, 1st Bn., Glouc. R. (Worcester).

For most conspicuous gallantry and initiative. On 5th October, 1918, during the attack on Mannequin Hill, Sequehart, when within 20 yards of the first objective, No. 1 of his gun was killed. He seized the gun, and dashing up the hill jumped into the sunken road and brought it into action. Engulfed three hostile machine-gun teams, he killed fourteen, including two officers, and wounded five others. By his gallant action he completely overcame the opposition in this quarter, and enabled his company to reach the road without further casualties.

200848 Pte. H. D. Yates, M.M., 4th Bn., Tank C. (Blackpool).

During the attack upon the Hindenburg Outpost Positions, east of Ronnsoy, on 27th September, 1918, he drove his tank with great skill and determination. Notwithstanding the fact that all his crew were wounded by the fire from anti-tank rifles which pierced the tank, and were incapable of rendering any assistance, he carried out the orders which had been issued to his officer, and it was solely due to his fine courage, devotion to duty and initiative that his tank reached its objective and was brought back to its rallying point.

7934 Sjt. E. Young, M.M., 2nd Bn., R. Sco Fus. (Glasgow).

He was in charge at Daddizeele of Head-quarter Staff. On the 29th September, 1918, he successfully rallied a company of another battalion, and led them again into action until it was possible to again consolidate them with their own unit. At this critical juncture he showed brilliant initiative and daring. On two occasions under very heavy fire he carried several wounded

men to the Aid Post when the stretcher-bearers had become casualties. Throughout he behaved splendidly.

18605 Sjt. W. E. Young, 10th Bn., Notts. & Derby. R. (Whitwell).

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership during the fighting in the Forêt de Mormal, on 4th November, 1918. When his platoon officer was early wounded he assumed command. His platoon was on the right flank, and had to capture a thick portion of the wood. The outskirts of the wood were held by three machine guns, but he led his platoon forward with such gallantry and ability that the position was taken at once and the guns captured. He also established communication with the battalion on his right flank.

435039 Cpl. G. G. Zissman, 2/1st (S. Mid.) Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C., T.F. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 26th October, 1918, in the attack on the river at St. Martin Bridge, during the temporary absence of their medical officer, he dressed many wounded men, moved them to a place of safety, and subsequently got them away without further injury. On the same day, near La Folie Farm, on the Bermerain-Ruesnes road, he took charge of all the wounded, dressing them, and subsequently clearing them to the car post under heavy fire. Throughout these operations his behaviour was admirable.

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455489 Sjt. (A./C./S./M.) E. G. Abraham, M.M., 4th Bn., Can. Inf.

For marked gallantry and good work on the 27th September, 1918, at the Canal du Nord, in leading his platoon when his platoon commander had been killed. When the Canal du Nord had been passed the enemy came out of deep dugouts behind us. In the face of terrific machine-gun fire he coolly led his men, surrounded the guns, and killed about 15 of the enemy. Then he re-organised his platoon and carried on the attack forward. On the 1st October he again did excellently.

10094 Sjt. (A./C./S./M.) J. R. Adams, 3rd Bn., Can. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry during the Bourlon Wood operations on 27th September, 1918. When his platoon officer had become a casualty he took command, and when his company were held up by heavy machine-gun fire he advanced his platoon in such a skilful manner that he was able to overcome the enemy resistance and capture his guns. On this occasion he personally accounted for six enemy with his bayonet. Throughout he showed marked courage and ability to command.

222722 C./Q./M./S. (A./C./S./M.) T. G. Adams, 85th Bn., Can. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during the Bourlon Wood operations before Cambria. After all the officers of his company had become casualties he handled his company with the greatest skill and success. He established an advanced