

412155 Sjt. J. McLaren, 409th (Low.) Fld. Coy., R.E., T.F. (Shettleston).

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership south of Catillon, on 4th November, 1918. He led his section forward and successfully placed all his bridges under intense fire. By his example he so encouraged the men around him, that the work was quickly completed.

14224 Pte. (L./C.) H. McLaughlin, M.M., 2nd Bn., R. Sco. Fus. (Airdrie).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the advance east of Ypres, from 28th September to 5th October, 1918. While observing in a house near the front line he was heavily shelled, but continued to hand in accurate information as to the movements in front. Several shells actually hit the house, but he showed the utmost contempt for danger.

10574 A./Sjt. J. C. McLean, 2nd Bn., R. Sco. Fus. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the nine miles' advance east of Ypres, from 28th to 30th September, 1918. The first day, when his platoon officer was killed, he took command and led the platoon throughout the operations, supporting the rest of the company, which suffered casualties. He attacked a nest of machine guns, capturing 150 prisoners, and this effort was a principal factor in the success of the operations.

7061 Cpl. G. McLeod, 2nd Bn., R. Ir. Regt. (Bosworth).

For conspicuous gallantry at Niergnies, on 8th October, 1918. At the commencement of the attack, when the left of the company was being held up by an enemy machine-gun post, he, with one man, rushed this post and captured the machine gun, one officer and 10 men. During two counter-attacks he maintained excellent order amongst his men. By his fine example of gallantry and coolness he inspired his command with confidence.

57836 Sjt. J. McNabney, M.M., 36th Div. Sig. Coy., R.E. (Ballymena).

In the Dadizeele sector, during the fighting from 28th September to 5th October, 1918, this non-commissioned officer was constantly out repairing the lines under heavy shell fire, and it was chiefly due to his courage and fearlessness that communication was maintained. On the 2nd October he went out accompanied by another non-commissioned officer, and remained out during a very heavy barrage, maintaining communication during the enemy counter-attack.

24456 Sjt. P. McTeggart, 6th Bn., R. Innis. Fus. (Enniskillen).

On 7th November, 1918, at St. Aubin, by his clever and determined leadership, he succeeded in capturing an enemy machine-gun position which was holding up the attack on the right of the village. It was largely due to this gallant action that the advance was able to proceed.

402391 2nd Cpl. J. Maitland, 206th Fld. Coy., R.E. (Aberdeen).

The success of the bridging of the canal at Ors, on the 4th November, 1918, was

greatly due to his admirable work. He was in charge of the transport bringing up stores for two nights to within a very short distance of the enemy, on each occasion passing through a heavily shelled area. He also took part in the actual bridging operations, showing great gallantry throughout.

325014 C./Q./M./S. J. S. Mansfield, 1/1st Bn., Camb. R., T.F. (Romsey Town).

At Epehy, on the 19th September, 1918, on arriving at company headquarters with rations, he found that the company was badly disorganised, having lost all its officers. He remained with the company for the next twenty-four hours, and succeeded in thoroughly re-organising it under heavy shell fire. Later, under heavy fire, he gallantly led his ration party up to a captured position.

305208 Cpl. J. Markinson, M.M., 8th Bn., W. York. R. (Leeds).

On the 20th October, 1918, in the attack near Solesmes, he showed great gallantry and initiative. Before reaching the final objective four of the enemy made a determined resistance on the right flank. He collected a few bombs and rushed the post, killing one, wounding another, and capturing two prisoners. Later he made two reconnaissances under heavy fire, and brought back important information.

58230 Sjt. E. T. Martin, M.M., "N" By., 5th A. Bde., R.H.A. (Accrington).

For conspicuous gallantry at Herbecourt, on the 31st August, 1918. During intense shelling, when the stables were hit and several men killed or wounded, Sjt. Martin collected a party and extricated men and horses from the stable. He set a magnificent example of coolness, and his prompt action saved other casualties.

530627 L./Sjt. P. C. Mason, 2/15th Bn., Lond. R. (Norbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on Messines on 28th September, 1918. He was in charge of a fighting patrol securing the left flank of the battalion. In the advance, coming across a strong machine-gun nest, he showed great enterprise in surrounding it, capturing four guns, and putting the crews to flight. Throughout the final stages he led his men with great skill and dash.

38346 Sjt. E. A. Matthews, A/79th Bde., R.F.A. (Devizes).

At Poix du Nord, on 3rd November, 1918, he was in charge of teams bringing up ammunition when they were heavily shelled, one team was knocked out and several men wounded. He collected the remainder of the teams, evacuating wounded horses and men. On the next day, under very heavy shelling, he again acted with great gallantry, and kept the guns of the battery firing till the barrage was completed.

459877 Sjt. R. Maxwell, 447th (N'bn.) Fld. Coy., R.E., T.F. (Wishaw).

On the 7th November, 1918, at Moncheau, while searching for mines and charges under bridges, he found one, the fuse of which was actually burning, only 12 in.