

being slightly wounded in doing so. He then went back and guided the remainder of the party under rifle and machine-gun fire, being a second and third time slightly wounded. Finally he remained in action with his party till ordered to retire. He set a fine example of courage and devotion to duty.

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2674 Private F. G. Challoner, 6th (City of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (Rifles), T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 25th of September, 1915, at Loos, when he charged the German first line trenches, bayonetting and shooting nine of the enemy, and giving a very fine example to all with him.

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13336 Private A. Chillingworth, 3rd Battalion, Coldstream Guards.

For great bravery and resource on the 8th October, 1915, near Loos. The enemy, having made an attack with great determination along the trenches occupied by his battalion, were successful in taking the trench on the left of that occupied by Private Chillingworth and five other men, and came pouring into it. The situation was most critical. Realising what had happened, he, accompanied by the other men, sprang forward and faced the enemy, driving them with bombs foot by foot down the trench, and recapturing the whole of it. This they did with the greatest gallantry in face of a determined opposition, clearing out of the trench at least ten times their number, and thus saving a critical situation.

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9248 Private J. W. Chisholm, 2nd Battalion, Coldstream Guards.

For conspicuous bravery on the 8th October, 1915, near Loos. The supply of bombs having for the moment run out, the Germans were enabled to reach our barricade, and get on to the parapet of our trench. At this moment Private Chisholm, with another man, dashed through the German bombs, and drove the enemy off with loss, regaining the barricade. Although he was slightly wounded, he continued to hold the barricade, and repulsed all further efforts of the enemy, and by his bravery and resource saved what might have been a very critical situation.

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2030 Serjeant F. Christey, 15th (County of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own Civil Service Rifles), T.F.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 25th of September, 1915. In the attack on the German lines at the Double Crassier, Serjeant Christey formed one of the Infantry Brigade trench mortar party, and displayed the greatest coolness and bravery in moving across the open with his battery in

close support of the assaulting lines, and afterwards during the consolidation of the positions won.

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63376 Gunner H. J. Clarke, "Y" Battery, Royal Horse Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 13th July, 1915, on the Gallipoli Peninsula. Owing to the fire gear of a 12 pr. naval gun breaking down, it became necessary to cock the lock with a drag rope. This was done by Gunner Clarke, who was obliged to stand in a very exposed position and under an extremely heavy fire, but he continued to fire the gun until ordered to get under cover. His coolness and bravery were most marked.

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24375 Pioneer J. Coleman, Guards Divisional Signal Company, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous gallantry from the 27th of September to 10th October, 1915, near Loos, when he rendered invaluable service in maintaining communication by constantly repairing telephone lines under heavy shell fire. During an intense enemy bombardment and attack on the 8th October, Pioneer Coleman was continuously on the line repairing a large number of breaks caused by the trenches being often blown in by the enemy shells.

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43325 Bombardier C. W. Cook, 368th Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

For conspicuous gallantry and presence of mind on the 28th June, 1915, at Cape Helles (Dardanelles). A high explosive shell from the Asiatic shore hit one of the guns of the batteries, and killed or wounded the whole of the detachment. A few minutes later the wagon of this gun was hit and set on fire, but Bombardier Cook at once rushed to the burning wagon to save the ammunition. Several rounds exploded, but the rest was saved. The ammunition in a pit under the wagon was also saved, owing to his bravery and devotion.

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8912 Lance-Corporal W. E. Coombes, 2nd Battalion, Worcestershire Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 29th September, 1915, near Vermelles, when by his courage and example he rendered effective assistance in repulsing a determined bomb attack by the enemy, and was generally influential in maintaining confidence in the men at a critical time, when the attack seemed likely to succeed.

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11344 Private A. Corney, 5th Battalion, Shropshire Light Infantry.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 25th September, 1915, at Bellewaarde. On the retirement taking place, Private Corney went out over 100 yards under a heavy fire and brought in a machine gun which had been abandoned. His courage and devotion to duty were very marked.