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was obviously incapable of proceeding with his message. Realising the importance of the message in question, Pte. Elliston took it from him, and, through a particularly heavy barrage he was successful in delivering it at its destination. He showed an utter disregard of personal safety and set a splendid example of devotion to duty.

R.B./1869 Rfn. A. G. Elmes, Rif. Brig. For conspicuous and consistently good work at all times. He has proved his ability to overcome difficulties and has set a fine example to his section.

2105 Actg. Sjt. W. Evans, S. Lanc. R. For conspicuous gallantry in action. He hoisted a machine gun on his shoulders and thereby enabled the gunners to bring effective fire to bear on the enemy. Later, he brought up reinforcements and drove the enemy from their position.

18 Sjt. A. M. Fiddes, Ind. Unattd. List. For conspicuous service as senior N.C.O. of the Bde. Signal Section. His coolness under fire has been an example to all, and his special duties have been most efficiently performed.

5657 L./Cpl. D. J. Gathergood, Worc. R. For conspicuous gallantry in action. He voluntarily accompanied a serjeant on four successive nights in search of a wounded man and finally succeeded in bringing him in.

5060 Sjt. G. L. Grieve, London R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. 'Although himself several times knocked down by shells, he continued to dig out a man who had been buried. He set a splendid example of courage and determination.

11754 Sjt. (Actg. C.S.M.) C. Hackett, Wore. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He assumed command of and led his company with great courage and determination. Later, he led a small party forward and captured several prisoners.

E.631 C.S.M. (Actg. S.M.) A. Haines, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He showed great courage and ability in organising ration and carrying parties. He went backwards and forwards along the trench constantly, controlling traffic and setting a splendid example to his men.

4040 Actg. S./M. E. Haines, P.S., R. Suss R.

For consistent gallantry and good leading in the immediate presence of the enemy. His untiring work and ability was invaluable.

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5651 Serjt. (Actg. C./S.M.) T. Higgins, Lan. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. Although wounded, he led his men in the attack with great courage and determination. He set a splendid example throughout.

G8/4880 Pte. J. H. Houghton, E. Surr. R. For conspicuous gallantry in action. He acted as runner to a Trench Mortar Battery and went over the parapet to observe the result of the fire. He kept the battery well informed and set a splendid example of coolness and courage.

3631 Serjt. D. Hutton, R. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his platoon with great courage and initiative, sending back a number of prisoners and establishing a strong point. He set a splendid example to his men.

2/1562 Pte. (Actg. Corpl.) T. Jackson, Rif. Brig.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. With another man on two separate occasions he went forward to reconnoitre. On one occasion they killed two of the enemy and destroyed a machine gun. Later, they killed four of the enemy and used a hostile machine gun with good effect.

19157 L./C. T. Joyner, Mach. G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He fought his machine gun for fourteen hours with great courage and skill. Later, although severely wounded, he remained at his post and bombed the enemy.

14043 Pte. F. King, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He carried a message over the open under very heavy fire. Later, he showed great courage and determination in keeping a machine gun in action after several of the team had become casualties. He also rescued many wounded men. He was himself twice wounded.

2657 Corpl. F. Latham, Camb. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He took his platoon forward and dug an advanced strong point, keeping excellent control under heavy fire and most trying conditions.

7222 C./S./M. G. W. Lund, Hamps. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action. He took command of his company when the officers were wounded and showed conspicuous courage and ability in organising the defences.

9199 Corpl. H. Masters, Worc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry in action Although wounded he led his platoon with great courage and initiative. He remained at his post for two days until the battalion was relieved.

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