

duty. Although wounded, he led his platoon to their objective, where, owing to casualties, he attacked an enemy machine gun single-handed and put it out of action.

22949 C./S./M. J. V. Carr, L'pool R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Under a heavy hostile barrage he several times went forward to establish communication with the front waves. Later, when reorganising the line he was badly wounded, but continued until hit a second time.

131 Sjt. J. H. Catt, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He collected a small party and attacked an enemy strong point, taking over 100 prisoners and a machine gun. He showed untiring skill and energy in consolidating the trench.

9352 Sjt. C. Chance, Lonc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded, on reaching the enemy wire, he persisted in his efforts to force a way through, and set a splendid example until wounded badly a second time.

7141 Sjt. E. Chappell, M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his section with great skill and courage, and was instrumental in mopping up enemy dugouts which were becoming a serious menace.

T.Z.4407 A./L. Sea. (H.G.) W. Charlton, R.N.V.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion. He was the only man of a Lewis gun team who succeeded in crossing a heavily sniped space and gaining a selected position. He remained there, fully exposed, for five hours, only withdrawing after firing his last round.

17328 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) G. Clark, R. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised and led a party against an enemy strong point, and put a machine gun out of action, taking twenty prisoners. He held on to the post until compelled to withdraw.

44408 A./Sjt. G. H. Clarke, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He extinguished two fires in the gun-pits of the battery. The pits were full of ammunition, and were being heavily shelled. His gallant action saved many lives, and probably all the guns of the battery.

267101 Sjt. W. P. Clarke, Ox. & Bucks. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On observing a party of the enemy attempting to get through our outpost lines, he, on his own initiative, took two men and advanced on the enemy and attacked them. By means of bombs and rifle fire he dispersed a party greatly superior in numbers.

11/293 Sjt. J. W. Clayton, E. Yorks. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed the greatest coolness and resource in rallying and in the dark reorganising two platoons which were leaderless and under an intense fire. He then led them to the attack, which was repulsed, and having withdrawn to their assembling trench he again rallied them and consolidated and organised the defence with very great skill and determination. Throughout the day his example was one of complete fearlessness and contempt of danger.

11991 B./S./M. J. Cleland, R.H.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A pack train carrying ammunition to his battery was heavily shelled, and the officer in charge wounded. He assumed command, and by his skill and energy succeeded in delivering the ammunition, returning to carry his officer into safety.

33657 Cpl. B. Cleobury, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Under very heavy shell fire he twice called for volunteers and extinguished fires which had broken out round his battery. His promptness and determination were the means of averting very heavy loss of life from the burning explosives.

15405 Pte. J. T. Collins, Dur. L.I.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although he was wounded he refused to leave his post, taking part in a bombing raid, and during the night assisted to repel two counter-attacks. He was wounded a second and third time during the following two days, throughout which he continued to throw bombs with great skill.

6667 Sjt. J. Connell, E. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of the remainder of his platoon and carried on with the consolidation. His fine example under heavy fire was of the greatest value at a critical time.

10/13226 L./Cpl. R. Cook, Ches. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile raid on our trenches he showed great coolness and courage under heavy fire. He brought up a machine gun through the hostile barrage, and rendered the greatest possible assistance.

4/8376 Sjt. J. Corbett, A. & S. Highrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst commanding his company after all his officers and senior N.C.O.s were out of action. He showed great energy and skilful leadership, and his fearlessness in leading search parties for wounded who were lying out was most marked.

78171 Sjt. J. Cowell, R.F.C.

For conspicuous gallantry whilst assisting an aerial gunner during bomb raids. He showed remarkable skill and judgment in the eight combats in which he has been en-