

ment. With an officer he entered a dug-out and helped to bring out the occupants, working with the utmost energy and devotion until he too became unconscious from the effects of the gas. It was largely due to his gallantry that only two succumbed out of seven who were in the dug-out, and he has on many occasions displayed courage of the highest order, as well as very exceptional coolness and presence of mind.

202695 L./Cpl. H. Bone, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in proceeding at great personal risk to a pile of gas bombs that had been struck by enemy shell fire, and burying two that had burst; the remainder might have exploded at any moment. He then worked his gun from the same pile of bombs until all were fired off. Later, he made two journeys along an open track under heavy hostile barrage, in order to carry guns from their emplacements. He has at all times shown a splendid example and total disregard for danger.

12141 Pte. (L./Cpl.) J. Booth, R. Lanc. R.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With great coolness and fine leadership he crossed "No Man's Land" with his men, entered the enemy's trench, and captured twenty-two prisoners and a machine gun. His conduct throughout was exemplary, and he has on previous occasions displayed great gallantry.

4582 Cpl. A. Boyd, M.G. Co.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in handling his guns under very heavy fire. When one of his guns was knocked out, he seized an enemy gun, rushed it into position himself and used it with great effect against the enemy.

281267 Sjt. E. P. G. Brand, Lond. R.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With a few men of other battalions he entered the enemy's support line, where he attacked and put out of action a machine gun, destroyed two trench mortars, and captured fifteen prisoners. Later, he effected a most skilful withdrawal to our own lines, bringing the captured prisoners back with him.

32074 By. S./M. F. L. Brice, R.F.A.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although severely gassed and badly shaken by a shell which penetrated his gun-pit, he immediately carried a wounded comrade to the dressing station under heavy shell fire. In view of his own condition, his conduct throughout the whole bombardment was particularly gallant.

1978 L./Cpl. W. J. Bridge, S. Lanc. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in accompanying his company in an attack, and rendering valuable work in keeping up communication with Battalion Headquarters under heavy shell fire. He had

been wounded before the advance, and on previous occasions has shown courage and devotion to duty of a similar nature.

241397 L./Cpl. A. Brooks, Leic. R.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attacking a hostile bombing party single-handed, killing two and dispersing the remainder. His bombing party were at the time engaged in dealing with a hostile machine gun and team, and he subsequently cleared 150 yards of enemy trench and gained touch with the troops on his right. He set a very fine example of courage to his section.

10097 Pte. W. H. Brown, Shrops. L.I.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a hostile raid. He set a magnificent example as stretcher-bearer, endeavouring to save the wounded by carrying them to places outside the shelled area. At one moment, whilst carrying a wounded man, both were buried by a shell, and he was wounded. Finding that the wounded man was killed, he returned to the front line and continued to do most excellent work of the same nature. The whole of his platoon was annihilated, and he was working all the time under conditions which could not have been worse with supreme devotion and gallantry.

530453 C.S./M. R. H. Burden, Lond. Reg.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in reorganising his men under fire with exceptional skill and rapidity, directing consolidation, and contributing very largely to the success of the operations by his coolness, energy and intelligence.

15862 L./Cpl. R. Buttery, W. York. R.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in going forward single-handed and clearing the enemy from a trench from which they were holding up his Lewis gun and team. He attacked them several times, killing some and capturing others, and by his fearlessness and dash enabled his gun to be brought speedily into action.

57757 Sjt. H. Cain, R.F.A.

Conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on two occasions when his battery was under an intense and accurate bombardment. He visited all the gun pits, pulling away burning camouflage and extricating the occupants, remaining till he had satisfied himself that nobody had been wounded or left behind. His gallantry and fearless example had the best possible effect on his men in positions of extreme danger.

130526 2nd Cpl. J. Carrie, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a section of trench mortars. Although twice wounded before zero hour he refused to be evacuated, assuming command when his commanding officer was wounded and superintending the whole of the work. He remained at his post under heavy fire until the operation was completed, when he was removed in a dying con-