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War Office,

1st May, 1918.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of a Bar to the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned Warrant Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers:—

2679 Cpl. C. Andrews, D.C.M., R.W. Kent R. (Poplar, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. He did valuable work in carrying messages and attending to the wounded in the enemy's wire during the raid. He carried back two wounded men under heavy shell fire, and worked for several hours until all the wounded had been brought in. He set a splendid example of courage and self-sacrifice.

(D.C.M. gazetted January 1st, 1918.)

8793 Sjt. S. Beal, D.C.M., Norf. R. (Woolwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on the enemy's lines he was one of the first to reach the posi-

tion and shot one of the enemy, who was attempting to escape with a machine gun, driving off another of the enemy who came up to assist him. Later, under heavy shell fire, he set a splendid example of courage and coolness in tending the wounded and carrying them under cover. His gallantry, energy and initiative were beyond all praise.

(D.C.M. gazetted April 1st, 1915.)

200142 Sjt. A. E. Bennett, D.C.M., North'n R. (Irthlingborough).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack he displayed a magnificent fighting spirit, and, although wounded, he continued bombing and shouted encouragement to his men. His stirring example throughout the day was beyond all praise.

(D.C.M. gazetted October 22nd, 1917.)

96062 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) A. C. Chambers, D.C.M., M.G.C. Cav. (Long Wittenham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When separated from his section officer, he went forward with the leading regi-

ment in an attack, and covered their advance by his able handling of his machine gun. He inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, and showed great daring and initiative. (D.C.M. gazetted February 18th, 1918.)

32651 B.S.M. H. W. Evans, D.C.M., R.F.A. (Rugby).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the gun teams coming up to the battery position, he was out, in all, sixteen hours, endeavouring to get to the guns. He was frequently under heavy fire, and met many troops retiring whose stories might have caused alarm, had not the cool and quiet conduct of this W.O. kept the drivers well under control, which contributed greatly to the guns being withdrawn quickly and quietly.

(D.C.M. gazetted October 22nd, 1917.)

201087 Sjt. (A./C./S./M.) T. R. Fish, D.C.M., Essex R. (Sawbridgeworth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all his officers had been wounded he covered the withdrawal of his company. He afterwards went forward alone under heavy fire to reconnoitre, and, though wounded, remained with his company and organised a counter-attack. He set a splendid example of courage and determination.

(D.C.M. gazetted in this Gazette.)

E/631 R.S.M. A. Haines, D.C.M., R. Fus. (Hounslow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He superintended the whole supply of small arm ammunition and bombs to the front line and blocks, and also supervised the construction of the blocks and the defence of battalion headquarters. He constantly went backwards and forwards to the front line in the open under intense fire of all kinds, seeing that supplies were going where most needed. His remarkable ability and magnificent display of coolness and courage helped to avert what at one time appeared a grave disaster.

(D.C.M. gazetted December 11th, 1916.)

2702 Sjt. W. Logan, D.C.M., R. Highrs. (Cavenden).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At a critical moment he led forward a party of bombers under heavy fire, and controlled them with great skill until wounded. By his marked gallantry, courage and coolness he materially assisted in repelling a counter-attack and in re-capturing a redoubt. He has at all times proved himself an exceptionally fearless and efficient leader of men.

(D.C.M. gazetted October 20th, 1916; 1st Bar gazetted August 29th, 1917.)

25188 Sjt. F. Mossop, D.C.M., M.M., L'pool R. (Darwen).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy suddenly attacking in mass formation and overwhelming the front line by weight of numbers, he checked their advance to the second line by firing upon them steadily with a Stokes gun, which caused a great number of casualties. Seeing that he was in danger of being outflanked,

he used his rifle with good effect, while his men withdrew the gun. He then rejoined his team, and after obtaining a new supply of ammunition continued to fire on the enemy. He displayed conspicuous courage and set a heroic example to his men.

(D.C.M. gazetted July 27th, 1916.)

His Majesty the KING has been pleased to award the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned for gallantry and distinguished service in the Field:—

86173 A./Sjt. T. Adams, M.G.C. (Trehingell).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy advancing on the village, the officer in charge and an N.C.O. became casualties in attempting to get the first gun into action. This N.C.O. finding it impossible to get a gun into action at the same spot, returned and got the remaining two guns in action in another position. He continued to control these two guns until all the ammunition was expended, and then personally went four times across a road swept by machine gun fire in order to procure ammunition. On being ordered to withdraw he got away three guns and brought them into action again later. His gallantry and determination were worthy of the highest praise.

3/5959 C./S./M. J. Aiken, D.C.L.I. (Devonport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack he was always in advance of his company, and led the Tanks through the enemy first line and on to his main defensive position. Personally accounting for several of the enemy, he, on arrival at his company's objective, immediately organised a pursuit. His example was of great value, and he set a standard of dash and initiative which did much to carry through the attack.

14649 Sjt. A. S. Akehurst, C. Gds (Brighton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of one of the leading parties in a raid, and succeeded in leading his men to the prearranged spot in the enemy's lines, a most difficult task owing to the extreme darkness and rain. On entering the trench he was faced by a machine gun which was on the point of opening fire. With another serjeant he attacked and captured the gun, and so prevented many casualties. He then bombed some dug-outs which were occupied by the enemy, captured twelve prisoners, and withdrew. Throughout he set a magnificent example of courage, initiative and good leadership.

240590 L./Cpl. (A./Cpl.) W. Aldridge, Hamps. R. (Silchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack, being sent out with an advanced patrol to cover the consolidation, he came under heavy rifle fire, but proceeded forward to ascertain whether the troops in front were friendly or hostile. Having discovered that these troops were hostile, he opened fire and enabled his party

to advance to its objective. His fine action was a splendid example of coolness under difficult circumstances.

240172 Pte. W. C. Allum, Suff. R. (Horham, Eye).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On seeing an officer attacked by five of the enemy and a machine-gun crew attempting to come into action close by, he attacked and killed these five men and captured the gun. No praise is too high for his magnificent courage and gallantry.

240034 C./Q./M./S. R. Anderson, High L.I. (Govan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On his company commander becoming a casualty he immediately assumed command, reorganised the company and continued the attack. His services throughout were most valuable.

45112 Pte. W. Anderson, R. Scots (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst acting as one of a carrying party and though wounded during the first advance, he continued to remain at duty. Later, whilst making a fourth journey, he was again wounded, but still persisted in making another journey, at which point he was compelled through exhaustion to give up. His example of devotion to duty under the most trying conditions was magnificent.

4/12281 Sjt. (A./C.Q.M.S.) R. Arthur, S.W. Bord. (Glyneath).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Taking up a forward position under heavy fire he handled his Lewis gun with great skill, thus materially assisting the advance of his company. He displayed marked gallantry and ability, and has at all times proved himself a most efficient leader of men.

10212 C./Q./M./S. A. Avery, Worc. R. ("E" Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He collected a party of fifty men and led them to the counter-attack, in which the enemy were driven back. Afterwards he went back under heavy fire, and collected another party of men, whom he brought up as reinforcements. Throughout the day he showed a complete disregard of danger, and was a fine example to all ranks.

3/6736 Sjt. J. G. A. Bailey, M.M., Dorset. R. (Dorchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's lines. Though wounded early in the operation he led his men to the final objective with great skill under the most difficult conditions. He inflicted several casualties on the enemy and set a splendid example of determination and courage throughout.

13080 Opl. A. Ball, Bedf. R. (Sandy).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a machine-gun section he showed considerable initiative and gallantry, and when under heavy shell fire

and before the position had been consolidated he pushed forward to an advanced position and opened fire on the enemy assembling for a counter-attack.

241191 Pte. E. Banks, R. Sco. Fus. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Grasping the fact that it was urgently necessary to seize a high ridge from which the enemy were on the point of retreating, he, as one of the party which had been detailed to fulfil this task, saw, on coming to the crest, a hostile machine gun in action against our troops on the right flank. He immediately rushed on ahead, shot the gunner dead at point blank range and captured the gun, his magnificent example affording great inspiration to all ranks.

12168 C./S./M. H. Barlow, M.C., Shrops. L.I. (Radcliffe, Lancs.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst the enemy were advancing he, seeing three teams of hostile machine gunners attempting to come into action, seized a machine gun, with which he killed many of the enemy, thus enabling his company to capture the guns. The latter he immediately assisted in bringing into action against the enemy. Though wounded he remained at his post, thus affording a fine example of endurance and courageous determination.

240583 Sjt. J. H. Barrowman, R. Sco. Fus. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When he, together with a comrade, went forward on the flank of the battalion to investigate what was thought might be an enemy ruse, he received no answer to his challenge, but was fired upon. Finding that his comrade was missing, he went out again to search for him, despite heavy fire from front and flank, and eventually succeeded in reaching him, bringing him back safely to our lines. This courageous deed was most praiseworthy.

201369 Sjt. J. Bartlett, D.C.L.I. (Delabole).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer and senior N.C.O. had become casualties, on the defence of the post thus devolving on him, he maintained it for many hours, though himself wounded, displaying a fine fighting spirit and able leadership. On one occasion, leaving his cover, he rushed out into the open, bombed the enemy who were collecting under cover, preparatory to rushing the post, and dislodged them.

24579 L./C. J. P. Baxter, York. L.I. (Nottingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a counter-attack. When his company commander became a casualty during the advance, he at once went forward and informed another officer, thereby ensuring continuity of command. When the objective had been captured, he volunteered to carry an important message to battalion headquarters. He carried the message a distance of 1,000 yards over ground swept by the

enemy's fire, and succeeded in delivering it. He showed splendid coolness and initiative.

70933 Gnr. H. Bedward, R.F.A. (Isleworth, Midd'x).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his battery came under heavy fire, he repeatedly repaired telephone wires in the open with a total disregard of danger. He also rendered great assistance to another battery by taking up wire to its observation station under a heavy fire. Owing to his courage and determination communications were maintained throughout the day.

13766 A./Sjt. A. Bell, Dorset. R. (Sturton-by-Stow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's lines. He led his men with great skill, and reached his objective under the most difficult conditions, showing great determination and courage throughout.

3/2377 Pte. G. Beveridge, R. Highrs. (Leven).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He repeatedly carried back messages from the front line under heavy fire, and at a critical moment after a counter-attack rallied his comrades and led them forward again, materially assisting in the final capture of the position. His courage and initiative were most marked.

345024 Sjt. E. J. Bickley, Devon. R. (Exeter).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After three officers of his company had become casualties, he showed great ability and coolness in the handling of his men during several hours of hard fighting. Owing to his courageous example and skill he drove off a very determined counter-attack which had temporarily broken the line.

49084 Pte. W. L. Birks, R.W. Fus. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When telephonic communication was interrupted he repeatedly carried messages between battalion headquarters and the firing line under heavy fire, carrying out this task with great endurance and determination until wounded. His devotion to duty was most praiseworthy.

D/12202 Pte. D. Bisset, D. Gds. (Greenock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On seventeen successive nights he took part in reconnaissances in preparation for a raid. On the night of the raid he was one of a party detailed to blow a gap in the enemy's wire. When two machine guns opened fire at a range of twenty yards he stood up, regardless of danger, to assist in placing the charge in position, and when his officer was wounded he carried him for a distance of a mile back to our lines. He showed splendid courage and determination.

1994 Sjt. A. Black, M.G.C. (Sunderland).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his car was within twenty

yards of the enemy position, where it was subjected to heavy fire, he took the place of a gunner who was wounded, and kept the gun in action, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. His coolness and promptitude were worthy of the highest praise.

27849 Sjt. J. Blackledge, M.M., Lan. Fus. (Bolton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was one of a patrol which carried out a reconnaissance before a raid and cut the enemy's wire. He took command of three groups of the raiding party, and displayed the most determined leadership and initiative throughout the operation.

202321 Pte. A. Blair, R. Sco. Fus. (Dundee).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack, on the lines being cut he went out and repaired them under an intense shell fire. On two later occasions he went out and repaired them in several places. His courageous conduct and indifference to danger were deserving of the highest praise.

S/19220 Pte. T. H. Bone, M.M., Rif. Bde. (Stratford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on an enemy machine-gun post the advance was threatened, but he, with a few bombers, having directed a Tank to this point, led the attack, which resulted in a number of the enemy being killed and the remainder taking flight. Again, on the occasion of the enemy counter-attack, he kept his machine gun in action until all his team had become casualties, and continued to fire the gun himself until severely wounded. His courage and devotion to duty were of the highest order.

53001 Cpl. H. Bough, L'pool R. (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though wounded prior to the enemy attack, he had his machine-gun on top of the parapet during the heavy enemy barrage and accounted for large numbers of the enemy as they advanced. On the enemy penetrating our front line, he moved his gun into a sunken road, down which the enemy were advancing, and succeeded in delaying their advance, though under heavy fire and bombed from the flank. He kept his gun in action until the enemy were beaten back. His conduct was beyond all praise.

9241 Sjt. R. F. Bowes, Essex R. (Harwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On an enemy counter-attack taking place at a time when all the officers had become casualties, he took charge of the company, and saved the situation by reinforcing one flank, which was dangerously exposed. Having collected some stragglers, he sent them up with two machine-guns to reinforce the endangered part of the line, and by his daring and fine example inspired the men to hold the position.

89942 Sjt. M. Boyle, R.F.A. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as battery serjeant-major at the gun position, his conduct under fire was an excellent example to all his men, and although wounded he insisted on carrying on until ordered away by his commanding officer. His devotion to duty and cheerfulness greatly inspired the whole battery during a most critical time.

350366 Cpl. F. G. Brooks, M.M., Lond. R. (Bristol).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. At a critical stage of the operation he carried an important message from his company commander to battalion headquarters under heavy machine-gun and shell fire. Subsequently he carried several messages forward under heavy fire and brought back important information. He showed splendid initiative and determination.

61766 Sjt. T. Brown, M.G.C. (Tamworth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer had become a casualty, he took over command and directed his guns with great skill and coolness. The manner in which he organised the collection and evacuation of the wounded and the fine example which he set to all ranks were worthy of high commendation.

2nd Cl. Asst. Surg. A. E. Browne, Ind. Sub. Med. Dept.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He attended to the wounded under heavy fire during an action, and showed great courage and contempt of danger throughout the day. He has behaved with marked gallantry on several previous occasions.

203098 Pte. R. Browning, Suff. R. (Bury St. Edmunds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When first a serjeant, and afterwards an officer, were wounded in a very exposed position during an advance, he went and attended to their wounds with great coolness and utter disregard of danger under heavy fire.

7/15545 Pte. J. Bryan, N. Staffs. R. (Longton, Staffs.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as runner, he carried messages repeatedly under heavy fire, and displayed an energy and ability which were of great value on several occasions. His gallantry throughout was of the highest order.

203295 Sjt. J. Bryden, H.L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On his battalion being driven out of the position captured on four occasions, he showed the greatest gallantry and coolness in rallying and reorganising the men for further attacks in the face of a very heavy fire. The final success of the operation was largely due to the splendid example which he set.

569 A./Sjt. W. H. Budden, R. Guernsey L.I. (St. Martins).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rushed at two of the enemy whom he saw on the top of the bank, and found himself faced by four enemy machine-guns and their crews, one of which at once opened fire. He shot the gunner and three others, and, calling on the remainder to surrender, captured several prisoners. He went back for some bombers to attack the guns, but on returning found three of the guns withdrawn. He at once got the remaining gun into action against the retreating enemy and inflicted many casualties. He showed magnificent courage and determination.

240600 Sjt. (A./C.Q.M.S.) H. Burden, R. Sco. Fus. (Fairlie).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His platoon being ordered to intercept a flanking movement on the part of the enemy, he most skilfully chose a position in which he was able to repel a counter-attack. His gallantry, fine judgment, and excellent leadership inspired the men under him in the highest degree.

61765 C./S./M. W. Burke, M.G.C. (Southall).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He maintained communications throughout the day and supplied his sections with ammunition under heavy fire. On one occasion, when his transport came under an intense fire, he conducted his animals to a place of safety, thus preventing a stampede. His gallantry and devotion to duty have been most consistent throughout the operations.

720726 C./S./M. A. W. Burnett, Lond. R. (Walworth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile attack he organised the supply of ammunition to the garrison of an advanced post with conspicuous success. When, later, during the withdrawal of the garrison, there were numerous small bodies of men without N.C.Os. to lead them, he proceeded to the position, whither the withdrawal was being made, collected the men and reorganised them. His ability, coolness and energy proved of inestimable value.

428 Pte. F. Burvill, D. Gds. (Upper Portslade).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of a stretcher party during a raid on the enemy's lines. Though two machine-guns were firing on the raiding party at a range of 20 yards, and others were sweeping the whole area from the flanks, he led his men forward to the enemy's wire and succeeded in bringing all the wounded a distance of nearly a mile back to our lines. He set a magnificent example of courage and resource.

1/9518 L./C. (A./Cpl.) W. Byrne, Leins. R. (Trim).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. When his platoon was held up by enfilade fire from an enemy machine-gun, he got his Lewis gun into posi-

tion and put all the enemy gunners out of action. Later, he captured eight prisoners almost single-handed.

240157 Sjt. A. Campbell, H.L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy by means of a heavy counter-attack re-took a trench, he rushed to the front, led his men forward and ejected the enemy. But for the bold initiative and fine example which he showed the enemy would probably have re-established their former line.

275040 Pte. W. Campbell, A. & S. Highrs. (Lochore).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his company was advancing to the attack, it came under heavy fire from a machine-gun 100 yards away. On his section commander becoming a casualty just before reaching the gun, he, with the utmost gallantry, leapt into the trench, seized and overturned the gun. His gallant action was worthy of the highest praise.

451330 Sjt. H. H. Carter, Lond. R. (Highgate Rd., N.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was the first man to reach the enemy trench, which was his company's objective, and at once proceeded to consolidate what was a most exposed position in the face of the most intense fire of all kinds. His indifference to danger and his display of bold initiative were beyond all praise.

290264 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) M. Cavanagh, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the night attack on the final objective, when the first wave was held up by machine-gun fire and bombs, he went ahead alone, and having bombed the machine-gun emplacement, killing two and dispersing the remainder of the team, captured the gun. Thanks to his prompt and gallant action, the position was then carried without a further casualty.

H.K.S.B.1213 Havildar Chajja Singh, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his section was forced to retire over very difficult country and during a period which became increasingly critical owing to enemy pressure, his gallantry, coolness, and devotion to duty proved of inestimable value during this withdrawal.

R./5058 Sjt. H. W. Chatt, K.R.R.C. (Deptford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was holding a trench with a small party, when the enemy made two bombing attacks in strength, which drove his men back. Rallying them, he led them forward again, and, himself throwing bombs and attacking the enemy by means of rifle fire, succeeded in driving the enemy right back. He displayed the utmost coolness and gallantry throughout, and his conduct was a fine example to all.

2334 Pte. J. Clark, R. Highrs. (Govan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After a hostile counter-attack, he displayed great resource and initiative in re-organising troops of various units in sufficient time to repulse successfully a second enemy counter-attack. His courage and coolness throughout the day afforded a most inspiring example to his comrades.

295590 L./C. C. Cleal, Som. L.I. (Crewkerne).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack, finding himself opposite an enemy strong point from which a party of the enemy were firing on the advancing line, he rushed it single-handed, bayoneted all its occupants, and remained in possession of it until all danger of its recapture was past. His gallantry and initiative were beyond all praise.

21799 Cpl. E. Codling, R. War. R. (Lewisham, Kent).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all his officers with one exception had become casualties, he took command of a half company, and led it with great dash to the capture of the enemy position. Later, during the consolidation of the captured ground, he displayed the greatest coolness and resource.

57728 Sjt. J. R. Codling, F.R.A. (Gateshead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His battery was shelled by the enemy, and a direct hit on his gun blew off a wheel, perforated the shield, and killed his No. 2. He got the gun into action again in the shortest possible time, and continued to command it steadily throughout the action. His steadfastness and courage during a very difficult period were of the greatest value.

250113 Cpl. F. Collins, Essex R., (Tollshunt, D'Arcy).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He volunteered to go forward and dig himself in, in order to try and locate a hostile machine gun and trench mortar. His keenness and initiative afforded a fine example to all ranks.

355652 Sjt. (A./C.Q.M.S.) J. Collins, R.W. Fus. (Merthyr Tydfil).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As soon as the enemy opened fire at point blank range he rallied all the men near him, took control of a portion of the line, and brought every available rifle to bear on the enemy. During the consolidation he did exceptionally good work, and later, when the enemy counter-attacked, went under heavy fire from post to post to see that they were being held to the best advantage. His ability and devotion to duty were of the highest order.

11048 Pte. R. Colvin, R. Lanc. R. (Barrow-in-Furness).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On three separate occasions he went forward under heavy fire and brought in a wounded officer and two men. But for his

prompt and gallant action these men would have fallen into the hands of the advancing enemy. He also displayed the greatest courage at a bombing post, where he received a wound whilst attempting to drag a wounded prisoner to safety.

2487 Pte. J. Costello, R. Lanc. R. (Oldham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as stretcher-bearer he displayed great coolness under heavy fire in bringing in wounded cases. He rendered most valuable service, and carried out his duties in a most commendable manner throughout the operations.

200010 C./S./M. J. Coubrough, High. L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his company was forced to give ground before a strong and determined enemy counter-attack, he rushed to the front regardless of his own safety, and, by his splendid example of courage and coolness, succeeded in rallying the men, leading them forward again, and checking and finally holding the enemy. His services throughout were of inestimable value.

200842 Cpl. G. C. Couldrey, Wilts. R. (Salisbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, with the assistance of one other N.C.O., captured two officers, forty other ranks and two machine guns. These men accomplished this bold and gallant deed entirely unassisted by other troops.

21493 Pte. J. Cunliffe, G. Gds. (Tyldesley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as stretcher-bearer. He went forward on his own initiative a distance of 400 yards to the front line through an intense barrage and attended to the wounded though heavily bombed at close range. He showed the greatest courage and contempt of danger under very heavy fire.

292002 C./S./M. F. C. Curtis, Sco. Rif., (Blackpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Owing to heavy casualties amongst the headquarters personnel he carried orders under fire to platoons widely separated from each other, and when the stretcher-bearers were unable for the time being to cope with the casualties he tended the wounded and rendered the most valuable assistance in evacuating the most urgent cases.

50620 Cpl. (Motor Cyclist) H. Davey, R.E. (Hyde).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as dispatch rider. When the enemy attacked and entered a village, he volunteered to try and get through with an urgent message. He rushed through the enemy, who were holding the cross roads, although machine guns were turned on him. He was then chased down the road by two enemy aeroplanes, but got away and delivered his message. He showed magnificent courage and initiative.

300006 C./S./M. G. Davie, Essex R. (Landon Fields).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Taking charge of the company when all the officers had become casualties, he led it with great gallantry throughout the day, during which he held a trench successfully against several enemy bombing attacks. His initiative and devotion to duty were a fine example to all ranks.

420283 Sjt. (A./Coy.S.M.) H. Dearman, Lond. R. (Bethnal Green).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the action, on three of his company officers becoming casualties at the commencement of operations, he took charge of his company and led it in the most efficient and skilful manner throughout the day.

9112 A./Cpl. (A./L./Sjt.) P. Delahunty, E. Lan. R. (Kilkenny).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He pressed forward with his Lewis gun, showing complete disregard of danger, and surprised an enemy picquet. By rushing the sentry and bringing his gun into action at point-blank range he inflicted severe casualties on the enemy and captured several prisoners. He set a magnificent example of courage and devotion to duty.

206607 Cpl. A. W. Denyer, R.W. Surr. R. (Camberley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the officers and the company serjeant-major became casualties he took command, though wounded himself, and refused to withdraw until another officer arrived. He repelled a counter-attack with great skill, and stood up under heavy fire with utter disregard of danger in order to bomb the enemy more accurately.

15/11922 Pte. J. Dillon, R. Ir. Rif. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After an attack he, accompanied by a N.C.O., went out to bring in five of our wounded, whose groans and cries for help could be heard from the direction in which our posts had penetrated furthest. He assisted the N.C.O. to bring in four of the wounded men, and while bringing in the fifth man the N.C.O. was wounded. He thereupon brought in both the remaining man and the N.C.O. The whole time they were under intense machine-gun and rifle fire, and his action afforded a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty.

9444 Sjt. J. J. Donaldson, R. Ir. Fus. (Carlisle).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the action he, together with an officer and six men, captured a machine-gun emplacement in the enemy's line, killing eight of the garrison and capturing one officer and twenty-two men and two machine guns. Throughout the attack he showed exceptional coolness and determination.

240664 C.S.M. (A./R.S.M.) H. Dorrington, N. Staff. R. (Burton-on-Trent).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy attack. Though suf-

fering from the effects of gas, he continued to organise the supply of ammunition, water and rations to the firing line during a critical time. He showed great determination and disregard of danger.

606 Sjt. A. Dray, M.M., R. Fus. (Forest Gate).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, whilst acting as company serjeant-major, did conspicuously fine work throughout the action in organising his company and keeping them supplied with small arms ammunition. He repeatedly visited all the company posts throughout the day, and over the open under heavy fire. His cheerfulness, splendid spirit and fine courage materially assisted his battalion in averting a disaster.

15948 B.S.M. P. H. Dunn, R.F.A. (Exeter).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the limbers were ordered up to withdraw the guns, he took command of these, and proceeded towards the gun position. On the way he was informed by a Staff officer that it was useless to proceed further, as the enemy had broken through. Despite this he continued his attempts to reach the gun position, and eventually succeeded in doing so, rendering valuable assistance in withdrawing the guns.

290843 Pte. (A./L./C.) A. Dunning, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the flank of his company became exposed during the attack on the final objective he, on his own initiative, brought his gun into action in order to cover this exposed flank, and succeeded in dispersing a hostile concentration, thus enabling a counter-attack on the flank to be anticipated. He handled his gun team with great boldness and resource.

93304 Gnr. C. Edwards, R.F.A. (Sulgrave, nr. Banbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed marked courage and coolness in repairing telephone wires in the open under a heavy fire. It was due to his determination and energy that communications were successfully maintained throughout the day. He also assisted another battery by taking up wire to its observation post under an intense fire. His devotion to duty was most praiseworthy.

38703 Pte. W. E. Edwards, Glou. R. (Salop).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the rear party during a raid, and seeing some of the enemy firing from a shelter, he at once dashed forward and accounted for all of them with bomb and bayonet. His leadership and determination cannot be too highly praised.

21479 1st Cl. A./M. S. W. Egan, R.F.C. (Catford, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While engaged with his pilot on a photographic reconnaissance over the enemy's lines they were attacked in a most persistent manner by six enemy scouts. His

left thumb was shot off at the beginning of the fight, but he continued to engage the enemy with his Lewis gun, and when the gun jammed he succeeded in getting it into action again, and continued to fight until he became unconscious. It was undoubtedly due to his splendid pluck and determination that the pilot was enabled to bring his machine back safely to our lines.

200290 Cpl. (A./L./Sjt.) H. J. Emerton, Bedf. R. (Dunstable).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. Under rifle fire at point-blank range he cleared the enemy from a line of rifle-pits which would have enfiladed the main attack. Later, when his platoon serjeant became a casualty, he took command of the platoon at a critical moment. His gallantry and resource contributed largely to the success of the operation.

620209 B.S.M. E. Evans, R.H.A. (Stoke-under-Ham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the observation party having to retire on foot to the river, on the other side of which were the horses, he collected all the equipment and took it over himself in the boat, the remainder of the staff swimming across. Owing to machine gun and rifle fire it became necessary to move across the open singly, taking all available cover. He succeeded in getting the whole of the staff together with all the equipment back to the battery in safety. He proved himself a most able and efficient warrant officer.

266554 Pte. J. F. Fairbairn, Sco. Rif. (Dunbar).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. It being necessary to keep a detached post supplied with small arm ammunition and bombs over a very exposed piece of ground covered by enemy snipers at close range, he volunteered to make the journey, covering this distance many times. His keenness, courage and determination were most marked.

201087 Sjt. (A./Coy. S.M.) T. R. Fish, Essex R. (Sawbridgeworth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his platoon most gallantly in the attack, and on reaching his objective reorganised his men and commenced and completed the task of consolidation with great skill and in a most efficient manner.

14238 Pte. G. Fletcher G. Gds. (Bunwell).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was No. 1 of a Lewis gun post, which was attacked by about forty of the enemy. Though surrounded and heavily bombed by the enemy, he mounted his gun on the parapet, inflicted casualties on the enemy, and caused a number of them to retire. After using his gun on all available targets in the open, he joined a party of bombers on his own initiative, and assisted in repelling an attack along a communication trench. He moved along the top of the trench in the open, bombing the enemy with the greatest courage and contempt of danger.

66066 Gnr. J. W. Fletcher, R.F.A. (Gainsborough').

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The courage and consistent devotion to duty which he has shown throughout the operations have been most marked. By his resource and utter contempt of danger he has set a very fine example to all ranks.

28778 Cpl. A. Forbes, R. Scots. (Stonehaven).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy making a very determined bombing attack on his post, he defended it with great gallantry and determination and successfully repelled the attack, inflicting severe casualties upon the enemy. But for his courageous behaviour and fine fighting spirit the post would have been lost, which would have entailed the most serious consequences.

263109 Pte. W. H. Fordrey, S.W. Bord. (Wandsworth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While he was firing a trench mortar an enemy trench mortar bomb fell close to the ammunition store and set some of the bombs on fire. Regardless of the danger of an explosion, he at once removed the burning ammunition and extinguished the fire. He undoubtedly saved several lives by his promptness and courage.

17025 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) S. Francis, Lan. Fus. (Salford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He was one of the first to enter the enemy's position, and displayed great courage and coolness under heavy fire. He assisted materially in the safe withdrawal of the raiding party.

610386 Sjt. T. H. Fry, Lond. R. (Wellington, Somerset).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Having located a hostile machine gun on his flank, he immediately worked his way round the position of the gun, and alone charged the crew, causing them to surrender, and subsequently bringing the captured gun with three prisoners back to our lines. His boldness and initiative were in the highest degree commendable.

94180 Pnr. W. Fryer, M.M., R.E. (Talke, Staffs.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of three men carrying charges to demolish dug-outs in a raid on the enemy's trenches. On arriving in the enemy's front line he became separated from the infantry, but located a dug-out full of the enemy. He descended into it, and captured a prisoner, and as the remainder refused to surrender, he blew up the dug-out. He showed splendid courage and initiative.

11215 Sjt. F. Gannon, L'pool R. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led the first bombing attack through a heavy bomb and rifle grenade barrage, and through his dash succeeded in driving the enemy back 105 yards. Though

the whole of his party had become casualties, he still remained and held up a strong party of the enemy until reinforced. He then gave very accurate covering fire with rifle grenades, and enabled these troops to drive back the enemy another 100 yards. He was always to be found where the firing was hottest, and his bold and skilful use of rifle grenades many times relieved a critical situation.

81453 Pte. G. Garrad, M.G.C. (Rowledge).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After his gun had been put out of action by a direct hit, he went to the assistance of another gun crew and enabled this gun to continue in action. Since he was suffering from severe shock, his devotion to duty was all the more praiseworthy.

275875 Pte. H. W. George, Essex R. (Leyton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though wounded, he refused to be evacuated, and showed great gallantry in the assault on and capture of an enemy post. His courage and endurance were beyond all praise.

11041 Pte. S. German, S. Lanc. R. (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On numerous occasions he succeeded in reaching the firing line under the most intense fire and brought back reports. His daring, ability, and resource were of the highest order.

268198 Sjt. C. Gillam, Ches. R. (U.S.A.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He led his party to the objective with great dash and determination in the face of strong opposition. He accounted for several of the enemy and destroyed a machine-gun. He set an admirable example to all.

200029 C./S./M. G. H. Gilray, R. Scots. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all his officers had become casualties, he led his company to the final objective and consolidated the position captured with great skill and efficiency. His gallantry and fine leadership set a most inspiring example to all ranks.

1228 L./Sjt. C. L. Glover, W. Gds. (Newport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a raiding party, and, though he had been wounded during the raid, he assisted on the return of the party to frustrate attempts by the enemy to collect our wounded. Having succeeded in this, he went out with a patrol under heavy machine-gun fire to search for and bring in the wounded. His courage and disregard of danger were a splendid example to all ranks.

48364 Sjt. F. Goff, M.G.C. (Northampton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took charge of his section after his officer became a casualty and rendered great support against a counter-attack. Gaining touch with company headquarters, he

withdrew his section and guns intact. He showed the highest resource and initiative in a position of great difficulty.

320966 L./C. A. Gold, M.M., Lond. R. (Spitalfields, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great daring and skill in penetrating through five belts of the enemy's wire while on patrol. He located the position of a hostile dug-out and returned with valuable information. On the following night he went out with three others and attacked the dug-out. The party killed or wounded six of the enemy and returned without a casualty. He set a splendid example of courage and initiative.

201956 Pte. W. J. Gosling, Wilts. R. (Swindon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As runner, he repeatedly proceeded through fire-swept zones in order to carry messages to the firing line at a time when the battalion was part of an advance guard which had been held up by the enemy. His coolness and devotion to duty cannot be too highly praised.

8262 L./C. H. Gover, Dorset. R. (Wareham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a party of signallers in a raid on the enemy's lines. He attempted to maintain a telephone wire from the enemy's position to our own lines during the raid, but the wire was continually cut by shell fire. He then established a signalling lamp in the enemy's position and succeeded in sending back several important messages. He showed splendid courage and initiative.

15/11938 Pte. (L./Sjt.) R. Graham, R. Ir. Rif. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After an attack he, hearing groans and cries for help from the direction in which our posts had penetrated furthest, and realising the importance of preventing the enemy from obtaining an identification, proceeded to the spot, accompanied by another man, where he found five of our wounded. They brought in four of them, and while bringing in the fifth he was wounded. The whole time they were under intense machine-gun and rifle fire, and his action afforded a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty.

590986 L./C. G. Gregory, Lond. R. (Plumstead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an intense bombardment he volunteered to repair a telephone line which had been cut. He succeeded in doing so, but the line was almost immediately cut again. In all he repaired the line three times, and enabled communication to be maintained with the forward company despite the most adverse conditions.

L/13111 Sqd. S./M. W. H. Groombridge, Lancers (Worthing).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When ordered to supervise the work of the regimental stretcher-bearers, he dis-

played the greatest gallantry and disregard of danger, repeatedly going back through heavy shell fire to help men of his own and other regiments to safety. His gallant conduct saved many lives, and his coolness and devotion to duty set a fine example to all ranks.

10391 C.Q.M.S. (A./C.S.M.) D. Hamilton, M.M., K.O.S.B. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a platoon was held up by machine gun fire during an attack he went to its assistance, and by his example of fearlessness and determination so encouraged the men that the advance was continued for a considerable distance.

291571 Sjt. R. Hargrave, Sco. Rif. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The company being subjected to heavy shell and machine gun fire, he mounted his gun in an exposed position, and by keeping up a continuous covering fire materially aided our counter-attack. He also during a period of three days repeatedly delivered messages to posts over shell-swept areas, and showed great initiative in reconnoitring and finding positions for his machine guns. His pluck and determination were most praiseworthy.

201093 Sjt. A. Harris, Essex R. (High Barnet).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After his platoon officer had been hit, he took command and led the platoon most ably throughout the action. He was the first man of his company to enter the enemy trench, and set a splendid example of dash and initiative to his men.

107547 Gnr. W. Harrison, R.F.A. (Newton, Yorks).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He laid a telephone wire under heavy fire and repeatedly moved about over the open in full view of the enemy to keep it in repair. He showed splendid courage and determination.

320274 Cpl. S. W. Harvey, Norf. R. (Norwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. With one man he attacked a group of enemy snipers who were resisting the advance, captured four of them, wounded two and put the remainder to flight. He showed splendid dash and gallantry throughout the engagement.

240011 C.S.M. W. Hawkins, E. Surr. R. (Kingston).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He set a magnificent example of coolness and courage to his men on two occasions.

G/1558 Sjt. L. Hawthorne, R. Fus. (St. Helens).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was reconnoitring the enemy's position with another man when they were fired on by an enemy post, and both of them were badly wounded. In spite of his wounds

he at once fired on the enemy post until he silenced it. He then started to assist his comrade back, and succeeded in dragging him 50 yards towards our line before another patrol came to their assistance. The information which he obtained as to the position of the enemy's post was most valuable. He showed magnificent determination and devotion to duty.

307245 Pte. (A./Cpl.) J. Hayes, L'pool R. Wraysbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Before a raid he reconnoitred the enemy's wire and found a gap in it. He then marked out the route from our front line through the enemy's wire, which contributed materially towards the success of the raid. Though wounded, he remained at his post until all the raiding party had returned. He set a splendid example of determination and coolness.

572249 Sjt. W. Haynes, Lond. R. (Roman Rd., E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in command of his platoon, a party of the enemy under cover of a mist worked round to our left flank. He at great personal risk collected a few men and with them charged and repulsed the enemy, who by reason of this gallant act received severe casualties.

43277 Cpl. J. Hembrough, R.F.A. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He maintained unbroken communication with all batteries in the brigade throughout an action. He was continually exposed to shell fire, and set a magnificent example of energy and determination to his men.

265028 Sjt. H. Herd, Sco. Rif. (Grange-mouth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When wounded during the advance he retained command of his section, which he led in a most gallant manner. His endurance and devotion to duty were most conspicuous.

350202 Pte. J. Hibbert, Manch. R. (Ashton-under-Lyne).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. When an enemy machine gun opened fire on the right of the raiding party he rushed it with an N.C.O. and another man, killed the detachment and captured the gun. His prompt and courageous action was of the greatest assistance to the raiding party.

361 Pte. M. Hickey, Conn. Rang. (Dublin).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As company runner he was sent on a message to battalion headquarters, and on his way picked up a badly wounded man and carried him to safety over 200 yards of shell-swept ground, after which he delivered his message. Later, he carried in two more wounded men, though exposed all the time to heavy machine-gun fire. Throughout the operations he showed an indefatigable energy and an utter disregard of danger.

18428 Sjt. J. Hill, M.M., M.G.C. (Perthshire).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a sub-section of machine guns he was for three days in positions exposed to constant sniping and machine-gun fire, but despite this kept his guns continually in action, and when the left flank was attacked brought most effective enfilade fire to bear on the advancing enemy. He also spotted two hostile machine guns coming into action, opened fire on them and rendered them useless. Throughout the action he displayed the greatest courage and gave a fine example of the offensive spirit.

251351 Pte. W. Hilsden, Essex R. (Fulham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On his company reaching its objective he showed great courage and initiative in volunteering to reconnoitre the ground in front, bringing back information of great value.

8538 Sjt. T. D. Hintridge, K.R.R.C. (Stratford-on-Avon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the enemy attempted to raid the position held by his platoon. He killed several of the enemy and encouraged his platoon by his splendid example of determination and coolness to put up a very strong defence.

6806 Sjt. W. C. Holdway, York. L.I. (Wakefield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a counter-attack. During the advance through a heavy barrage he moved about from section to section of his platoon guiding them through the wire and inspiring them by his cheerfulness and utter disregard of danger. When the company, after capturing its objective, was much troubled by an enemy sniper he worked his way out to a flank and succeeded in putting him out of action. He set a splendid example to his men throughout the operation.

240078 Sjt. (A.C.S.M.) F. H. Holmes, Norf. R. (Gt. Yarmouth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his platoon forward in a most gallant manner, and thanks to his coolness and energy was the means of reorganising a platoon of another unit.

11940 Pte. (A./Cpl.) J. Holmes, Shrops. L.I. (Dawley, Salop).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A hostile machine gun was delaying the advance of the company and causing many casualties. This N.C.O. collected a few men and rushed the gun, bayonetting some and capturing the remainder of the post, an act which materially helped his company's further advance.

52503 Pte. (A./L./C.) A. C. Hodges, M.G.C. (Cav.) (Leytonstone).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all the regimental signallers had become casualties he kept up communication with brigade headquarters by means

of heliograph and flag, signalling from a very exposed position under heavy fire. His gallant action was of great value during a critical period.

420232 Sjt. J. Hopwood, Lond. R. (Bow, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. The company having suffered heavy casualties he organised the remainder of his company and held on to his position throughout the day. His cheerful and courageous behaviour inspired his men under the most difficult and trying circumstances.

20177 L./Cpl. M. Horan, G. Gds. (Haslingden).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a post which was attacked by superior numbers of the enemy. He prevented most of the enemy from reaching his position, inflicting casualties on them as they approached and killed the only one who succeeded in entering the post. He then went to the assistance of another party who were hard pressed by the enemy. He showed the greatest courage and determination throughout.

200943 C./S./M. G. H. Houghton, R. War. R. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This W.O. displayed untiring energy and indomitable courage whilst acting as regimental serjeant-major when the enemy attack reached battalion headquarters. It was mainly owing to his assistance that that portion of the line was successfully defended. He inspired all ranks by his personal example.

82362 Pte. C. E. Hunter, M.G.C. (Wallsley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the face of heavy enemy shell fire from three different directions he made over thirty journeys between his post and the ammunition dump. His determination and gallantry undoubtedly saved the situation, since it enabled the guns to continue firing, whereby heavy counter-attacks were repulsed with loss to the enemy.

345083 L./C. A. Hutchings, Devon. R. (Moretonhampstead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the defence of an objective, on the line being slightly withdrawn he at great personal risk went forward, brought in two boxes of grenades and continued to throw these under heavy fire, thus enabling this portion of the line to carry out its withdrawal successfully. His splendid conduct during the whole action cannot be too highly praised.

491908 Pte. I. Hyams, Lond. R. (Southampton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was always right to the fore during the whole of the attack, and in four successive bayonet charges, which succeeded in repulsing hostile counter-attacks, he was the first man on each occasion to come to grips with the foe. His dash and splendid fighting spirit set a most stirring example to his comrades.

6/936 A./Sjt. T. Hyde, R. Mun. Fus. (Cardiff).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in command of a patrol of one platoon which was fired on by the enemy at short range. He at once led his men to the attack and captured an officer and eleven other prisoners. He was then counter-attacked by over 60 of the enemy; he sent one man back with the prisoners, engaged the enemy, inflicting heavy casualties on them, and then withdrew his party, bringing back two of his men who had been wounded. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative.

61334 L./C. T. W. Jenkinson, M.G.C. (Leamington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a critical period, after the majority of his team had become casualties, he continued to fire his gun with great courage and coolness, thus rendering invaluable assistance to the infantry, which he was supporting. His gallantry and determination throughout were most meritorious.

590906 C./S./M. A. Johnson, Lond. R. (Clapham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of a company, during heavy and continuous shelling, he displayed the greatest courage and resource. Although badly gassed, he commanded the company with the greatest ability and refused to be evacuated until ordered by the Medical Officer.

L/7655 Sjt. J. T. Johnson, R.F.A. (Sacrison).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an N.C.O. was buried by an enemy shell he at once set to work with three others to dig him out under an intense enemy bombardment. A shell fell among the party, killing the three men with him, but he remained on the spot and continued to work until he found that the buried N.C.O. was dead. He set a magnificent example of courage and self-sacrifice.

300305 Pte. R. C. Johnson, Yeo. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Volunteers being called for to bring out of a shell-swept zone the wagons of an ammunition column, he immediately came forward and assisted in improvising teams from amongst the sound horses. Later, whilst he was taking a wagon to a place of safety, on the wheel driver being severely wounded, he pulled him from under the wheels of the wagon, and then succeeded in getting the wagon with the team of mules over the ridge to safety. His conduct throughout was characterised by great gallantry and coolness.

9738 C./S./M. D. T. Jones, S.W. Bord. (Bargoed).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a party carrying up ammunition to the firing line, he was heavily fired upon by the enemy. He skillfully withdrew his party, inflicted serious losses on the enemy and saved all the ammunition. As regimental serjeant-major, he

has at all times set a very fine example and has rendered invaluable service.

56710 Pte. E. W. P. Jones, M.G.C. (Kington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He formed one of a gun crew on a gun which was required to cover the retirement, and although he had been in action for twelve hours after a long night advance over very difficult country, he assisted another man in carrying the gun to a suitable position together with its ammunition, in spite of heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Acting entirely on his own initiative, he by his gallantry and endurance made the withdrawal possible.

56711 Pte. G. E. Jones, M.G.C. (Oswestry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He formed one of a gun crew on a gun which was required to cover the retirement, and although he had been in action for twelve hours after a long night advance over very difficult country, he assisted another man in carrying the gun to a suitable position, together with its ammunition, in spite of heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Acting entirely on his own initiative, he by his gallantry and endurance made the withdrawal possible.

345046 Rfn. T. F. Jones, K.R.R.C. (Queentown).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the enemy attempted to raid the position held by his platoon. He killed four of the enemy at close quarters, one of whom was about to throw a bomb. His promptness and courage undoubtedly saved several casualties.

37199 Cpl. W. Jones, Som. L.I. (West Bromwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the capture of the objective, on a party of twelve of the enemy attempting to move round the flank of the battalion and attack in rear, he, immediately grasping the situation, rushed at the enemy single-handed, killed the leading man, and captured the remainder. His gallantry and initiative cannot be too highly praised.

61918 Pte. M. Joyce, M.G.C. (Lettermore).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all his team had become casualties he kept his gun in action throughout the intense heat of the day under heavy fire, thus rendering invaluable assistance in checking enemy snipers. His determination and devotion to duty were most meritorious.

267425 Sjt. F. Joyner, Glou. R. (Alderton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In a reconnoitring patrol prior to a raid he brought back most valuable information, and during the raid itself he showed powers of leadership and a fighting quality of the highest order, and undoubtedly the excellent work which he performed was largely responsible for the success of the operation.

203285 L./Cpl. H. Kane, M.M., W. Rid. R. (Lochore).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When several men were buried by enemy shell fire he dug them out under heavy fire in full view of the enemy, who were only eighty yards away. He showed splendid courage and resource.

6/11209 A./Sjt. J. Kearney, R. Ir. Rif. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though, save himself and two men, all his platoon had become casualties, he, together with a few men of another company, held his ground for seven hours until reinforcements arrived. He has at all times shown himself entirely fearless in the face of danger, and set a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty to his men.

8977 Pte. W. Kearney, R. Ir. Fus. (Lisburn).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid by the enemy he advanced along a sap with six men until he came within range of the enemy's grenades. He then left the trench under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire and led an attack on a party of the enemy who were covering the advance of the raiders. He captured an officer and three men and killed two others, while the rest of the enemy party retired. He showed magnificent courage and initiative.

11663 Cpl. J. Kendall, Worc. R. (Bromsgrove).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was working with a fatigue party behind the lines when the enemy broke through. Collecting a party of twenty men, he kept the enemy at bay with rifle fire, until reinforced some hours later. He then led his men forward in a counter-attack, drove the enemy out, dug and consolidated the position, and held it until relieved. His skilful leadership and fine display of initiative undoubtedly saved a critical situation.

241172 Pte. W. Kerr, R. Sco. Fus. (Glen-garnock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack he was always seen to be the first of his comrades over the last 600 yards of exposed ground under a most intense fire. On the capture of the enemy position, he followed on ahead again, together with a few men, closed on the retreating enemy, and firing on them heavily, forced the surrender of one officer and forty other ranks. His determination, energy and keenness proved a splendid example to all ranks.

12374 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) W. E. Kingstone, Shrops. L.I. (Oswestry, Salop).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the Tanks during the advance had been put out of action by direct fire from an enemy field battery, and when the company was temporarily stopped by machine-gun fire proceeding from a strong point, he, with a party of nine men, attacked this point,

captured thirty prisoners and killed the remainder of the garrison, thus opening the way for the advance of the whole company.

300007 T./S.M. J. F. Knights, Essex R. (Walthamstow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great coolness under fire throughout the operations, and rendered great assistance in organising carrying parties. His fine fighting spirit and soldierly bearing were a stirring example to all ranks.

200162 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) W. Laird, R. Sco. Fus. (Kilmarnock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack, after his platoon commander had become a casualty, he took command of his platoon, and having rushed a machine gun, captured it and immediately brought it into action against the enemy. His courage and dash were most meritorious.

110919 Sjt. E. G. Larwood, M.G.C. Cav. (Swaffham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile counter-attack, on serious casualties being inflicted on the led horses of the squadron, which temporarily immobilised the transport, he displayed marked coolness and great initiative in collecting and leading under cover both men and horses, in organising fresh teams, and in conducting the transport, with its supplies, to a place of safety. His courageous conduct and able handling of a critical situation were instrumental in averting further losses, and in enabling the ammunition supply to the guns being maintained.

350367 Pte. A. Latham, Manch. R. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. When an enemy machine gun opened fire on the right of the raiding party, he rushed it with an N.C.O. and another man, killed the detachment and captured the gun. His prompt and courageous action was of the greatest assistance to the raiding party.

40131 Pte. (A./L./Cpl.) R. G. Lawrence, Norf. R. (Beccles).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He most gallantly went forward twice under heavy machine-gun fire to find out the situation on the flank at a critical period when touch with the adjoining company had not been obtained.

56713 Pte. S. T. Lea, M.G.C. (Ellesmere).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as a company runner he volunteered to go back and bring in an officer who had been left behind with a badly broken leg. In spite of a cross fire from hostile machine guns and a heavy rifle fire at close range, he succeeded in bringing this officer away. He displayed the greatest courage and gallantry.

300447 Sjt. A. Leighton, R. Scots (Leith).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the action, observing that a

party of the enemy were creeping round the flank of his position, he at once organised the defence, and taking forward a party of bombers, drove off the enemy, killing six of them and inflicting several casualties upon the remainder. His dash and initiative were most marked.

290969 Sjt. W. Leitch, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a section of bombers along the enemy trenches, and, unaided, took the section of trench allotted to him. Having personally accounted for three of the enemy, he then silenced and finally captured a machine gun. His skill and initiative were most marked.

590 Sjt. W. J. Le Poidevin, R. Guernsey L.I. (St. Peter Port).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He held a barricade against the enemy when all his men except one were casualties. When wounded in both legs he crawled back and collected a few men to hold the position. He set a magnificent example of courage.

15695 Sjt. P. A. V. Leppard, R. Berks. R. (Wokingham, Berks.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On his platoon officer becoming a casualty he led his platoon with great skill and judgment. Realising that the company on the flank was held up, he immediately led his men against that company's objective, and was successful in capturing and consolidating it. Hearing that the company serjeant-major had become a casualty, he took over his duties, which he performed with marked thoroughness and efficiency.

266192 Sjt. J. Lipsett, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a post of four men and a machine gun, on the enemy attacking and pressing back a portion of the line, this post was isolated. Owing to the brilliant manner in which he handled his detachment he beat off all attacks against his post, which remained intact after the enemy had withdrawn. Later, on fifty of the enemy approaching his post and calling upon him to surrender, he allowed them to approach to within thirty yards, and then, bringing all the available fire to bear upon them, completely routed them. His leadership and military judgment were of the highest order.

7296 T./R.S.M. T. Lloyd, Ches. R. (Shrewsbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He succeeded in leading a party of pack animals carrying ammunition up to the firing line under heavy fire. He has rendered consistent good service throughout the operations, and has at all times performed his duties in a most efficient and satisfactory manner.

37366 Pte. J. Logan, M.G.C. (Methlick).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He supplied his gun with ammuni-

tion, repeatedly crossing ground exposed to heavy fire, in order to do so. When all the gun team became casualties he kept the gun in action until the enemy were definitely checked. His courage, initiative and energy were deserving of the highest praise.

8912 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) T. Lockett, M.M., S. Staff. R. (Cheslyn Hay).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He crossed a river in front of our lines alone and secured a rope to the far bank, but while he was returning to fetch the remainder of his patrol the rope gave way, and he was carried away by the stream. Nevertheless, on the following night he again crossed the river and fixed a rope to the far bank, which enabled patrols to get across. He afterwards led patrols across the river with great skill on three occasions, and obtained valuable information. He set a magnificent example of determination and initiative.

250146 Sjt. J. R. Love, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a platoon in a raid on the enemy's lines. He went to the assistance of a party who were having difficulty in the capture of their objective, and personally directed the capture of a "pill-box." He then returned to his platoon, continued the advance, and captured his objective. Seeing a gap in the line which was attacking a group of "pill-boxes," he rushed forward at the head of his platoon, filled the gap, and led his men forward to the attack. He finally covered the withdrawal of the rest of the raiding party and brought all his men back safely to our lines. His great courage and initiative were a splendid example to all, and contributed largely to the success of the raid.

B/203368 Pte. R. Love, Rif. Bde. (Witley, Surrey).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a bombing raid, though the troops on either flank had been bombed and he himself wounded, he continued to fire his machine gun single-handed. On his gun jamming, he led forward a bombing party, himself running forward on the top of the trench and firing at the enemy in the trench. His example was most inspiring to his men.

2996 L./Cpl. W. Lowe, Sea. Highrs. (Bury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He helped to form a block and hold it against the enemy for twenty-four hours, during which period he went back on several occasions to bring up reinforcements and supplies of bombs. By his coolness and courage he set a fine example to his men.

64424 Dvr. D. McAlpine, R.F.A. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When during the night the wagon line was surrounded by a party of the enemy, he led his sub-section straight through them, scattering them on all sides. His bold and gallant conduct enabled his sub-section to rejoin the main body at the wagon line and thus saved the lives of the remaining drivers.

250153 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) R. M. McArthur, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made four reconnaissances prior to a raid and obtained valuable information. He led his men in the raid with great dash and determination, and, though severely wounded, continued to direct the attack until he had captured his objective. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative.

44828 C.S.M. (A./R.S.M.) J. McDonough, L'pool R. (S. Hampstead, London).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the whole period, day and night, he was indefatigable in organising carrying parties, supervising the issue of ammunition and bombs and forming dumps. During the enemy attack on battalion headquarters he not only kept up the supply of ammunition and bombs, but also set a splendid example to the men and gave valuable assistance in organising the defence. His conduct throughout the operations was beyond all praise.

164 L./C. D. McEwan, Sea. Highrs. (Jamestown).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With a small party of men from a native regiment he held on to an advanced post for many hours under heavy fire until reinforcements arrived. By his cool courage he set a fine example to the men, and his determination and energy proved invaluable during a critical period.

200236 Sjt. W. McGhee, A. & S. Highrs. (Gourock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the first objective had been gained and on the enemy making a very heavy counter-attack, he rushed forward, rallied the men, and succeeded in overcoming those of the enemy who had entered the position. He showed fine dash and bold initiative.

240464 Cpl. (A./L./Sjt.) A. N. McGill, High. L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on the enemy position he, rallying some men who had become temporarily disorganised, led them back and re-established the line. His coolness and devotion to duty were most meritorious.

200875 Pte. (A./L./C.) W. McGroarty, H.L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In a charge on the enemy's position he was the first man to enter the enemy's trenches, and when all his comrades had been driven back off the crest he still remained, keeping up a continuous rate of rifle fire. He displayed exceptional courage, and his coolness and devotion to duty afforded a splendid example to his comrades.

9794 L./Sjt. J. McNally, H.L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His platoon was engaged in carrying bombs up to the front line from a dump, and on the completion of its task this N.C.O.

discovered that one of his men was missing. He thereupon immediately ran to the dump, found the man seriously wounded, and carried him eighty yards to a place of safety, thus saving his life. When, on a later occasion, the enemy attacked our trenches in great strength and gained an entrance into our front line, he, on his own initiative, climbed on to the parapet and bombed the enemy out of a portion of the trench, and drove them back finally for a distance of 200 yards. A very critical situation was thus saved by his coolness and courage, and the enemy were prevented from turning the flank of the battalion.

250044 Pte. J. Mackay, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as stretcher bearer, on the aid post being blown up by a shell and the officer in charge evacuated, he carried on unaided for two days, though himself wounded, during which period he attended to a large number of cases under the most intense shell fire. The splendid work he performed and his devotion to duty were magnificent and beyond all praise.

9076 L./C. J. McKay, Sea. Highrs. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though wounded early in the day he continued to carry messages under heavy fire across the open. Later, he took charge of a party engaged in forming a block in a dangerous portion of a trench, and set a very high example of coolness and courage throughout the day.

266217 Pte. R. T. McLeish, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Employed as a runner he constantly carried messages over ground swept by shell and machine-gun fire. On one occasion, whilst returning from the firing line, he with another man accounted for three enemy snipers who were concealed in an orchard behind our line. His courage and endurance were beyond all praise.

201587 C.S.M. H. MacMillan, A. & S. Highrs. (Hounslow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack on the enemy trenches, on his company commander becoming a casualty, he at once assumed command of the firing line, and by his energetic leadership and personal courage led the men to their objective. He then reorganised the company and succeeded in occupying a commanding position more advanced than the objective assigned to him. His conduct throughout was most gallant.

15/12052 Pte. J. McWhirter, M.M., R. Ir. Rif. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack by his platoon on a hostile strong point, he worked his machine gun with great courage under heavy fire at close range and held up the enemy's flank, thus enabling men of his platoon to get a footing in the strong point. After his gun was blown up, he continued to fight with

rifle grenades, and his officer and all the N.C.Os. being casualties, took charge of the platoon, which captured the strong point with twenty-two prisoners. At night, not being relieved, he reported himself at battalion headquarters, and finally extricated the remnants of his platoon from a difficult situation with great gallantry and skill, all his ammunition being by this time exhausted.

42081 C.S.M. H. Maggs, M.G.C. (East Sheen).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He volunteered to return to the rear, in order to bring up ammunition. Having organised several parties, on which casualties were inflicted on each journey, he personally carried wounded men under cover, and on one occasion led his party through a heavy barrage. It was largely due to his splendid initiative and disregard of danger that two brigades were supplied with ammunition at an extremely critical juncture.

S/10524 Pte. D. Malcomson, Sea. Highrs. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy delivering a counter-attack, he collected a party of men, and by his skilful use of bombs checked and eventually repulsed the enemy. Throughout the day he set a fine example of coolness and courage.

S/16203 Cpl. J. C. Marshall, A. & S. Highrs. (Glenluce).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer was wounded he remained with him and held his post under a severe trench mortar bombardment. When the enemy rushed the position and set fire to the post he withdrew to a position a short distance in rear and moved about in the open among his men with utter disregard of danger, encouraging them to hold their ground by his splendid example.

310223 S./S./M. H. T. Mason, Yeo. (Stratford-on-Avon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a charge of his regiment he killed several of the enemy, including a gunner officer, with his sword, and displayed the greatest gallantry. His dashing example helped greatly in making the charge successful.

20624 Cpl. M. Mather, R.F.C. (Croy Station).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while acting as observer. He was attacked by twelve enemy machines while flying over the enemy's lines, and in a fight which lasted fifteen minutes he shot down two of the enemy out of control and drove off the others. He undoubtedly saved his machine by his dogged determination. He has shown great skill and courage in many other aerial combats.

201129 L./Sjt. J. Merrington, M.M., Essex R. (Sutton, Beds.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in the captured trench, an enemy bombing party made an attack on his

platoon, whereupon he jumped on to the parapet, threw bombs on the advancing enemy and succeeded in breaking up the hostile attack. By this prompt and bold action the retention of the objective was ensured.

22211 L./C. T. Metcalfe, W. Yorks. R. (Baildon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Noticing the fuze of a trench mortar bomb burning in the ammunition recess, near to which a party of infantry were standing, he picked up the shell, rushed along the sap leading from the trench, and threw it over the parapet, where it immediately exploded. His prompt and conspicuously gallant action undoubtedly saved many casualties, and prevented the destruction of many rounds of ammunition in the dump.

11670 Sjt. J. Millward, Ches. R. (Cheadle Heath, Stockport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a section, he led his men with marked ability and coolness under a heavy fire. His courage and devotion to duty have at all times been of the highest order.

200239 C./S./M. T. J. Milne, H.L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the action against a strongly defended enemy position the company, after reaching its objective on several occasions, was each time driven back again by strong and determined counter-attacks. On these occasions he performed splendid service in rallying and re-organising the men for the next attack, and through his fearlessness under a heavy machine gun fire and dogged determination he so inspired the men under him that they returned to the attack with renewed vigour until finally successful.

610582 Sjt. A. Moody, Lond. R. (Kentish Town).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised and guided carrying parties through a very heavy gas shell barrage over ground where no cover existed. His inspiring leadership enabled the supplies for the battalion to be successfully maintained for three nights under exceptionally trying circumstances.

885104 Gnr. (A./Bomdr.) G. N. Moore. R.F.A. (Langley, Norfolk).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After his officer, with whom he had gone forward, had been severely wounded, he took charge at the forward observation station, and, remaining there for forty-eight hours, maintained communication with his battery throughout the action. His skill, enterprise, and ability were most outstanding.

50819 Dvr. H. Morris, R.F.A. (Wrexham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As lead-driver of a firing battery wagon he drove his wagon straight through

the enemy, who had surrounded the wagons. By thus scattering the enemy he greatly assisted the remainder of the wagon line to reach a place of safety. His boldness and initiative were worthy of the highest praise.

9769 Sjt. P. V. Morritt, Conn. Rang. (Galway).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the attack he was mainly instrumental in capturing and clearing a strongly defended trench system. Later, when his company commander was wounded, he carried him across No Man's Land under very heavy fire of all kinds, after which, volunteering to guide a reinforcement of two platoons to the front line, he was twice wounded, but refused to return until he had succeeded in establishing them in the position allotted to them. He displayed great initiative and determination, and was entirely heedless of any enemy fire.

8119 C./S./M. C. Moss, S.W. Bord. (Upper Norwood, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all officers had become casualties, he took charge of the company and visited all detached bodies of men under heavy fire. He handled his command with marked gallantry and ability, and displayed throughout the greatest skill and coolness.

266121 Cpl. J. Moss, W. York. R. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was holding an isolated post 300 yards in advance of the front line with eight men when he was attacked on three sides by about fifty of the enemy. He held the enemy back for some time with rifle and Lewis gun fire, and when the Lewis gun jammed and he was running out of ammunition, he skilfully withdrew his men to the front line and prevented the enemy from obtaining an identification. He showed splendid determination and initiative.

200276 Sjt. F. G. Mundy, Wilts. R. (Salisbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, with the assistance of one other N.C.O., captured two officers, forty other ranks, and two machine-guns. These men accomplished this bold and gallant deed entirely unassisted by other troops.

6/7944 C./S./M. W. Neill, E. Lan. R. (S. Africa).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in command of the company after all the officers had become casualties, he showed great initiative in reorganising the company when exposed to heavy fire. He remained in command of the company throughout the day and following night, and rendered exceptionally valuable service, displaying marked efficiency and energy on all occasions.

21455 C./S./M. C. Newman, M.M., M.G.C. (Eastbourne).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy attacked and the company commander and remaining officers

were casualties, this W.O. collected the remainder of the men and took up a position in a trench, where he found a machine-gun, with which he held back the enemy. When this gun was put out of action, and though almost surrounded, he continued to hold the position for an hour with bombs. He then withdrew to a trench in the rear, and finding there two guns, which he kept firing continuously during the night, he remained there until relieved in the early morning of the following day. He afforded an example of magnificent endurance, doggedness, and heroic tenacity.

15270 L./Sjt. A. J. Palmer, M.G.C. (Newton Abbot).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A determined enemy attack had forced one of our advanced posts to withdraw to the vicinity of his gun position. Though under an intense artillery barrage, he continued to fire with such accuracy and effect that the enemy formation was broken up when within fifty yards of his position. Thanks to the gallant and courageous manner in which he kept his gun in action, the infantry were enabled to rally at his position and the enemy were repulsed with heavy loss.

875478 Bomdr. W. Parker, R.F.A. (Norwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On a shell bursting in a gun-pit, which wounded two and blew up the remainder of the detachment, he worked the gun single-handed and maintained the rate of fire as ordered. His courage, determination, and skill were most praiseworthy.

590595 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) A. S. Parkes, Lond. R. (Honor Oak Park).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When all the officers had become casualties he assumed command of the company, and, grasping a difficult situation with marked skill and ability, organised the men and sent back information to battalion headquarters from time to time under the most trying circumstances. He displayed great gallantry in going forward repeatedly in the face of heavy machine-gun and rifle fire to rally the men.

Dns./14001 Cpl. F. Parkinson, Yeo. (Leigh, Lancs.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the evacuation of the post being ordered, he was the last to leave and stayed for six hours with a badly wounded man, whom he succeeded in getting back to our lines. He showed marked courage and coolness, and afforded his men a fine example of devotion to duty.

240095 Sjt. J. Paterson, R.S. Fus. (Stranraer).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led forward his platoon in the attack in a gallant and courageous manner, and during the consolidation of the position displayed marked coolness under heavy shell and rifle fire, going out in front of the line with a patrol to clear the ground, where he dealt successfully with all the opposition which he encountered.

240580 Cpl. J. Pearson, Suff. R. (Sudbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led a reconnoitring patrol of six men 200 yards in advance of the company's objective, and attacked and killed a number of the enemy there. His dash and initiative were most commendable.

28667 L./C. F. G. Preece, Glouc. R. (Campan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a party of bombers during a raid, carrying some Bangalore torpedoes to cut the enemy wire, he joined the attacking party and inserted a spare torpedo in a shelter full of the enemy and blew them up. His conduct was magnificent throughout.

266470 Cpl. D. B. Pollock, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On approaching the final objective and observing a machine gun in action on the flank, he, without hesitation, rushed it, bayoneted two of the team, and drove off the remaining five, standing over the captured gun until the arrival of his section. His gallantry and dash were of the highest order.

8227 C./S./M. T. G. Potter, K.O.S.B. (Plumstead, Lond.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the assault he acted with marked courage throughout the day in crossing a flat and exposed area swept by machine-gun fire, continually bringing up ammunition and maintaining touch with the rear. His conduct was at all times most meritorious.

592942 Pte. B. C. Pritchett, Lond. R. (Stourport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as stretcher-bearer he rendered first aid to one of his officers and several wounded men under severe grenade and rifle fire. Regardless of his own personal safety, he then proceeded to within twenty yards of the enemy line and endeavoured to bring in a man who was lying out in the open with a shattered leg. Finding it impossible to carry him in, he dressed his wound and carried him under cover. His gallantry and devotion to duty were above all praise.

265125 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) J. Purdie, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded, he led his section in a most gallant manner until the objective was reached and captured, when he collapsed through exhaustion. His endurance and devotion to duty were worthy of the highest praise.

630039 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) R. Pallister, Lond. R. (N. Ormesby).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, seeing that our line was being enfiladed by an enemy machine gun, rushed across the open and put the hostile gun out of action. During the assault on the same day he showed the greatest coolness and courage

in leading his men forward and in repulsing a hostile counter-attack.

10/15726 Sjt. J. Patterson, M.M., R. Ir. Rif. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a Tank had been put out of action, this N.C.O. crawled out to the rescue of the wounded crew and dragged them, under heavy machine-gun fire, to a place of safety. Later in the day when a strong enemy party was observed advancing on the flank of his platoon, his prompt use of a machine gun dispersed the enemy, inflicting heavy casualties.

S/9247 Pte. A. Pearson, 1st Bn., Sea. Highrs. (Workington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He brought in a wounded man under heavy fire, and later, on numerous occasions carried up ammunition across 300 yards of open ground under close-range fire from hostile machine guns. His courage and utter contempt of danger cannot be too highly praised.

13363 Sjt. T. Peartree, M.M., Essex R. (Ardleigh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When assisting an officer, he successfully held up by rifle and machine-gun fire a large body of the enemy, who were encircling his right flank. Later, with the enemy on both flanks and when very short of ammunition, he steadied the men and held on to the position long enough to enable the remainder of another company, who were without ammunition, to withdraw. Later in the day he brought back information, under heavy fire, as to the dispositions of the brigade on the flank. Throughout he performed in the most efficient manner work which is usually done by an officer.

14138 Sjt. N. R. Pegg, Glouc. R. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On one occasion, when one of a party of four who had been sent out with the object of seizing any hostile posts, he succeeded in wading across the river and discovering an enemy post. Having accurately determined its position, he split up his party and rushed the post from the flanks, capturing two prisoners, who were brought back to our lines. On the following night he accompanied an officer on a similar mission, and having waited in one of the hostile posts for some time, they rushed two of the enemy, who were seen to be approaching, took them prisoner, and brought them back across the river to our lines. During both these operations he displayed exceptional courage, coolness and determination.

9048 Sjt. W. H. Platt, Sea. Highrs. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He organised a bombing party under heavy fire and dispersed the enemy, who were massing for a counter-attack. By his courage and promptitude he greatly assisted the unit which was consolidating the captured objective. His initiative was most praiseworthy.

201045 Sjt. G. H. Pope, North'n R. (Northampton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst acting as company quarter-master-serjeant the alarm was given that the enemy had broken through and were but fifty yards away from the reserve line. He immediately collected as many men as he could, and held the trench until the enemy commenced bombing up a communication trench. He then withdrew a little to the rear, but continued to keep up a steady and controlled fire with such success as temporarily to check the enemy, who were pressing forward in greatly superior numbers. His action undoubtedly afforded both time and opportunity to the troops on the flank to prepare to engage the enemy, and his coolness and disregard for danger inspired confidence in his men under very trying circumstances.

T/1/3686 Dvr. J. M. Ramsey, A.S.C. (Marylebone, W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the ambulance which he was driving came under heavy fire he displayed marked gallantry and coolness. At all times during operations his courage and resource have been most conspicuous.

241193 Cpl. (A./L./Sjt.) C. F. Rees, Hamps. R. (Barnsley Park).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On his platoon being suddenly subjected to heavy fire from guns and machine guns, by which his officer and senior N.C.O. became casualties, he at once took command, beat off the counter-attack, and advancing to a more favourable position consolidated it and sent in a clear and accurate report on the situation to his company commander. His ability and initiative were most marked.

18728 L./C. (A./Cpl.) W. J. Reid, Sco. Rif. (Nairn).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed great coolness and promptitude in steadying and taking forward his men at a very critical juncture to their objective at a time when they were very greatly harassed by sudden and intense bursts of machine-gun fire.

15027 Sjt. F. Richards, M.M., C. Gds. (Bodmin).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of one of the leading parties in a raid, and succeeded in leading his men to the prearranged spot in the enemy's lines, a most difficult task owing to the extreme darkness and rain. On entering the trench he was faced by a machine gun which was on the point of opening fire. With another serjeant he attacked and captured the gun, and so prevented many casualties. He then bombed some dugouts which were occupied by the enemy, captured twelve prisoners, and withdrew. Throughout he set a magnificent example of courage, initiative and good leadership.

F/282 Pte. G. T. Ridley, Midd'x R. (Chelsea).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This man went out under a very heavy barrage to deliver messages, and

though he was out on two occasions when the enemy attacked he did not turn back. When the battalion aid-post was blown in and the medical officer and a N.C.O. had become casualties he went out under the barrage and rescued two N.C.O.'s and eleven men. He then set to work attending to the wounded, whose lives were undoubtedly saved by his courage. His gallantry and initiative were beyond all praise.

4/12955 Pte. W. Roberts, S.W. Bord. (Penrhiwceiber).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as stretcher-bearer he rendered most valuable assistance in bringing in several wounded cases under heavy fire. But for his splendid courage and devotion to duty these men's lives would not have been saved.

S/8114 A./Sjt. J. Robertson, A. & S. Highrs. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great coolness and courage when his company was attacked. He inflicted casualties on the enemy, captured a few prisoners, and offered a most determined resistance to a strong enemy force. Later in the day he carried out a reconnaissance with an officer, obtaining information which cleared up the situation and enabled a counter-attack to be made.

200007 C./S./M. J. A. Robertson, R. Scots. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout the whole action, all the officers having become casualties in the early stages of the advance, he led his men in the most courageous and gallant manner, and displayed the highest ability and determination in the recapture of a strongly defended enemy position.

880142 A./Bomdr. H. G. Robinson, R.F.A. (Romford, Essex).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He laid out and maintained a long line of communication between the observation post and his battery, and throughout the day, under continuous shell and machine-gun fire, he was out on the line repairing breaks, the result of his energetic and courageous efforts being that an almost uninterrupted communication was maintained throughout the action.

15353 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) J. Rogers, Essex R. (Colchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As N.C.O. in charge of a platoon, he was sent up to reinforce another company which, with its ammunition expended, was being surrounded by the enemy. Having organised two sections of men, he held one flank with these under very intense machine-gun fire. Though nearly all his men had become casualties, he again collected together a few remaining men and continued to prevent the enemy from gaining the position, which would have enabled them to cut off the company. By his courage and control, under very heavy fire, he rendered great assistance in saving a large number of men.

241293 Pte. A. M. Rosling, Suff. R. (Lincoln).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On seeing an officer attacked by five of the enemy, and a machine-gun crew attempting to come into action close by, he attacked and killed these five men and captured the gun. No praise is too high for his magnificent courage and gallantry.

240831 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) A. Ross, R.S. Fus (Darvel).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the assault he led his bombers with exceptional coolness and gallantry to within twenty yards of the enemy, under machine-gun and rifle fire, and bombed them out of their position, in which they were threatening the whole of our front line. The action of these bombers saved a critical situation, thanks to the fine and gallant leadership of this N.C.O.

720169 Pte. H. B. Rudhall, Lond. R. (Camberwell).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid. Although wounded twice in the back and in the hand before reaching the second objective, he continued bombing and helping his platoon commander to search dug-outs. On returning to our front line he volunteered to search for a missing N.C.O., but was not allowed to do so owing to his wounds.

571379 Cpl. G. W. Ruffalls, Lond. R. (St. George's-in-the-East).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the capture of a redoubt, on a party of the enemy being seen to be working their way back to the trenches in the mist under cover of machine-gun and rifle fire, he rushed forward alone into the open and single-handed succeeded in breaking up the counter-attack and in routing the enemy. By this bold and gallant action the position was rendered secure.

K/74 R.S.M. W. A. Rumble, R. Fus. (Regent's Park).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a very heavy barrage was in danger of disorganising the troops and of causing severe casualties, he showed most marked courage in rallying the men and disposing them in places of comparative safety. He then helped to dress the wounded, and rendered invaluable service in organising the approaches to a crowded and exposed post at a most critical time. He has on many previous occasions shown the same tireless and cheerful energy and conspicuous gallantry. His conduct was an inspiration to all ranks.

19593 A./Cpl. C. Rycroft, Leic. R. (Yorks.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He brought his Lewis gun into action and worked it most effectively after all the team had been wounded. On many occasions he set a splendid example of courage and determination.

203148 Sjt. S. Sapsford, Bedf. R. (Bishop's Stortford, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the attack he commanded a platoon, displaying marked gallantry and coolness at a critical moment after the assault when casualties had caused a slight confusion. Though wounded himself, he re-organised his platoon, pushed forward, and thus enabled the remainder of his company to consolidate. His initiative contributed largely to the success of the operations.

570155 C.S.M. (T./R.S.M.) C. D. Schermuly, London R. (Limehouse).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This warrant officer succeeded in getting water and rations to the battalion in spite of the greatest difficulties. During the enemy attack he assisted in the dressing and evacuation of wounded under intense shell fire, and, though suffering badly from gas, remained at duty until compelled to go to the rear. His conduct was beyond all praise, and was of the greatest assistance to his battalion during a very critical period.

240139 Sjt. T. Seaton, K.O.S. Bord. (Balmacellan).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack on the passage of a bridge he, when leading his platoon, observed a hostile machine gun in action. He at once charged the gun team, bayoneted the officer in charge, and took four prisoners. It was largely owing to this prompt and gallant action that his men were able to rush the bridge and gain their objective.

C/3748 Rif. W. J. Sergeant, K.R.R.C. (Fulham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When ammunition was becoming short he volunteered to bring some back from the rear, which he did on two occasions under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire. On the enemy then bombing our men some way back along the trench, he climbed on to the parapet, along which he ran, throwing bombs and firing upon the enemy in the trench—a gallant and courageous action which materially assisted in the enemy being completely repulsed.

11268 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) C. Seymour, R. Berks. R. (Canning Town, London, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When, during the attack, all officers and other N.C.O.'s had become casualties, he, with sixteen men, took and held the company's second objective, the enemy's support line, driving back superior forces. He then succeeded in establishing a bombing block, which commanded an excellent position, and in consolidating the flank of the division. The initiative he displayed was most praiseworthy.

242016 Pte. R. Shackleton, Sco. Rif. (nr. Preston).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer was badly wounded during a raid on the enemy's trenches, he at once placed himself between the officer and the enemy, who were trying to force their

way down the trench. He maintained his position until the officer had been carried from the trench. He showed splendid courage and self-sacrifice.

43052 A./Cpl. M. Shanahan, R. Dub. Fus. (Ballyduff, co. Waterford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a section during an engagement, and when just short of the objective was held up by a machine gun. Bringing fire to bear on the gun, and shooting two of the team himself, he bombed the remainder and demoralised the garrison. He then single-handed rushed the gun, which he captured, taking the survivors prisoners. He displayed undaunted courage throughout.

S/9759 Cpl. F. Shrapnell, Sea. Highrs. (Plumstead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an enemy counter-attack he organised a bombing attack, and, working his way down a communication trench, established a block, thus protecting the right flank and considerably assisting in repelling the counter-attack. He showed magnificent determination and initiative.

12904 Sjt. H. Simpson, Shrops. L.I. (Coventry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In the attack his company came up against a very strong enemy post, and at the same time under close direct fire from an enemy field battery. On seeing this he, with great initiative, led his platoon round the flank of this post, and through his action and skilful leadership his company were able to effect the capture of the post and continue its advance on to its objective.

13359 Pte. P. Simpson, S. Lanc. R. (Chorlton-on-Medlock).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an enemy machine gun was harassing his company, he went forward alone with a machine gun to an exposed position and compelled the enemy to change their position. Having been wounded shortly afterwards, he had his wound dressed and then returned and brought in his gun intact. His initiative and determination throughout were of a high order.

290498 Pte. J. Skirving, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a carrying party he set a magnificent example to his comrades in making fifteen journeys of a distance of 1,000 yards between the dépôt and a redoubt, coming under heavy fire on each occasion.

550289 Rfn. C. D. Smith, Lond. R. (Beckenhams).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On his company reaching its objective, he saw a battery of guns limbered up on the road 200 yards away trying to effect its escape. Rushing forward, he threw a bomb, which killed some gunners and stopped the battery. He then rushed on at

the halted guns and strangled one of the gunners, thus giving time for other troops to arrive on the scene and capture the three guns. His extraordinary courage, dash and determination were worthy of the highest praise.

4/12469 Sjt. S. Smith, S.W. Bord. (Newport, Mon.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He controlled the fire of his men in action with great skill. Later, when a withdrawal became necessary, he handled his platoon with great ability and coolness under heavy fire.

265015 Pte. (A./L./C.) T. E. Smith, Sco. Rif. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an action he was in charge of a section of a covering party on the extreme flank, and when the enemy outposts became aware of his company's deployment, upon which they commenced to open a heavy fire, he, quickly appreciating the situation, advanced his section and rushed the enemy, killing four of them.

16676 Cpl. W. T. Smith, Lan. Fus. (Andoversford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He displayed great courage and initiative in pushing his way through the enemy's wire, under heavy fire, and was one of the first to bomb and rush the enemy post.

536130 Pte. T. A. Snell, R.A.M.C. (Penge, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the advance of the bearer divisions was held up by machine-gun and snipers' fire, he carried out, under fire, a valuable reconnaissance in order to find a position where a dressing station could be established. He showed splendid initiative and courage in a most difficult enterprise.

240015 C.S.M. S. W. Stallard, Devon. R. (Plymouth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed the most commendable initiative and resource in taking charge of his company and reorganising it under heavy fire after all the company officers had become casualties. His coolness and fine example throughout the action had a most inspiring effect on the men.

875113 Sjt. F. Stangroom, R.F.A. (Norwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst in charge of his battery wagon lines he prevented a stampede being caused by shell fire, and extricated both men and horses from a dangerous position by prompt and vigorous action. In order to avoid the shelling, and so steady the men, he carried out manoeuvre drill and finally established the wagon lines in a place of safety. No praise is too high for his efficiency, and for the example of coolness which he afforded to the men under him.

6312 Sjt. E. W. Stanley, Essex R. (Barking).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action. Observing that the enemy had broken through the front line, and were endeavouring to envelope both flanks, he quickly collected a party of men, doubled across a road which was under continuous machine-gun fire, and managed to hold up the enemy by rifle fire for an hour and a half. This prompt and courageous action had a great effect upon the whole situation.

44540 B.Q.M.S. J. Stedman, R.F.A. (Larkhall Lane, S.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When an enemy shell fell into a dump of 7,000 detonating bombs, and set several of the boxes on fire, he at once went to the spot and cleared away the burning boxes from the remainder, under continuous and heavy shell fire. His prompt and courageous action saved a large quantity of bombs and undoubtedly prevented many casualties.

5087 Cpl. G. Stevens, M.M., North'd Fus. (Blyth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When on patrol he crawled on to the enemy's parapet and saw a party of about twelve of the enemy in the trench and on the steps of a dug-out. He threw a bomb into the entrance of the dug-out and signalled to a corporal close behind him, who bombed the party in the trench. On a previous occasion he had entered the enemy's front line and killed three of the enemy. He showed magnificent courage and determination.

201302 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) J. Stirling, A. & S. Highrs. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After a strong hostile counter-attack, which forced one company to give ground, his company being ordered up in support, he, on his own initiative, on four separate occasions went out with bombs to harass the enemy, realising that the enemy would have to be held for such time as would enable a counter-attack to be organised. His gallant action was undoubtedly one of the main reasons for the failure of the enemy to press home his attack on the village.

592000 Pte. W. F. Stoate, Lond. R. (Minehead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as signaller. During an attack and an enemy counter-attack which followed, though wounded, he kept up continuous communication with battalion headquarters by flash lamp. His initiative and determination were of the greatest assistance, and enabled the artillery to co-operate at a critical moment. Later, though he was again wounded, he was instrumental in getting his wounded officer to a place of safety.

22244 A./C./Q./M./Sjt. F. Stone, R. War. R. (Leyton, Essex).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of his platoon after his officer had become a casualty, and by his courage and example contributed

greatly to the success of the operation. He showed splendid leadership and resource.

8878 C./S./M. Sturdy, R. War. R. (Tredegar, Mon.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout the operations. He displayed coolness, courage and resource, and splendid powers of leadership. His work was invaluable.

H.K.S.B. 762 Havildar Sultan Muhamed, R.G.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his section was subjected to very heavy shell fire, which eventually made it necessary to withdraw the guns, his gallantry, fine example and devotion to duty were most marked.

M.2/119282 Pte. J. Summers, A.S.C. (Bickley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He three times drove his armoured car over difficult country to within 300 yards of the enemy's trenches under heavy fire. He showed great daring and coolness on this and many other occasions.

4266 Sjt. J. Sutton, R.W. Kent. R. (Mansfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. Having reached his objective in the enemy's support line, he saw a machine gun about to open fire on another party which had been slightly delayed by the enemy's wire. He at once attacked it with one man, put the whole detachment out of action, and captured the gun, thereby saving several casualties. His coolness and courage were a splendid example to his men.

200027 Sjt. W. Sykes, H.L.I. (Cambuslang).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his company on four separate occasions had captured an enemy trench, lost it and re-captured it, he rendered the most gallant and valuable service throughout the night in rallying the men for the four separate attacks. The fearless manner in which he carried out his duties was a splendid incentive to his men, enabling them finally to bring the action to a successful conclusion.

243119 Pte. H. Taylor, Norf. R. (Lambeth, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though three times wounded he displayed a gallantry and a determination of the highest order in rallying and reorganising his section, which he continued to lead throughout the attack. His courage and devotion to duty were most praiseworthy.

28895 Pte. W. Taylor, G. Gds. (Oldham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an enemy raid he was sent to fetch bombs from a neighbouring post. He met a party of the enemy on the way, and was disarmed and taken prisoner. The enemy ordered him to guide them in the direction of their own lines, but he led them up to

one of our posts and shouted to the garrison to throw bombs, at the same time falling flat on the ground. The garrison of the post threw some bombs and advanced, with the result that the enemy abandoned their prisoners and retired, leaving him wounded in two places by our own bombs. He set a magnificent example of courage, initiative, and self-sacrifice.

4428 Sjt. W. H. Tetheridge, Hrs. (Stockwell, S.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a mounted attack a horse carrying a machine gun broke loose. After several attempts he succeeded in catching it among the trenches occupied by the enemy and brought it in under heavy fire. He showed splendid coolness and resource.

350516 Sjt. F. Thickett, Manch. R. (Stockport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. When an enemy machine gun opened fire on the right of the raiding party he rushed it with two men, killed the detachment, and captured the gun. His prompt and courageous action was of the greatest assistance to the raiding party.

8497 Cpl. F. A. Thiselton, D. Gds. (Kingsland, N.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty while in charge of a party detailed to blow up the enemy's wire during a raid. He fired two charges, one of which was unsuccessful, and the enemy at once opened heavy machine-gun fire, which caused casualties among the raiding party, including the officer in command. He at once took charge, and continued for some time to cut the wire by hand, until ordered to withdraw. His disregard of danger and magnificent courage proved an inspiring example to all.

320160 Sjt. (A./C./S./M.) R. Thomas, Welsh R. (Lampeter).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was on several occasions instrumental in establishing his portion of the line when driven back by superior numbers of the enemy, who were counter-attacking. During the third counter-attack, after his company commander had become a casualty, he led the line most gallantly, reorganised the defence of two companies, and held his ground, personally accounting for seven of the enemy with the bayonet. His gallantry and disregard of danger proved a fine incentive to the men.

DM2/180263 Sjt. C. G. Thompson, A.S.C. (E. Kilbride).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of part of a convoy which was attacked by the enemy. He held off the attack with great determination until relief arrived.

512443 L./C. (A./Cpl.) F. S. Thornhill, Lond. R. (Boxmore).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His company being unexpectedly engaged at close range by a party of the

enemy with two machine guns, he went forward with great boldness, bombed these guns, killing several of the teams, and was largely instrumental in the capture of one of the guns. He displayed exceptional courage and dash.

200037 Sjt. W. Tompson, Hamps. R. (Yorktown).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his platoon with great courage and ability during the whole of a very trying day. After the enemy had effected a lodgment in a position in front of our line, he led his platoon, on his own initiative, in an attempt to dislodge them, but receiving several casualties he with but three men hung on under cover of a stone wall and continued to engage the enemy until relieved. His determination and endurance were most conspicuous.

17832 Cpl. E. E. Toney, Suss. R. (Worthing).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He was detailed to attack an enemy "pill-box," and, though he met with strong opposition, by his pluck and determination he overcame all resistance, killed several of the enemy, and captured two prisoners. His splendid example was undoubtedly responsible for the capture of the post.

880457 A./Bombr. W. S. Turner, R.F.A., (Grays).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as signaller. He repeatedly went into the open and repaired the telephone wire under heavy fire. When wounded in the knee, and unable to walk, he remained at his post at the telephone to enable the other telephonists to repair the wire, which was continually being cut by shell-fire.

200328 C./S./M. J. J. Twentyman, H.L.I. (Wigton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack launched by his company against a strong enemy position he, although wounded in the leg, refused to be evacuated, but continued to lead and encourage his men in the advance at a most critical juncture. His endurance and devotion to duty were most marked.

201302 Pte. (A./Sjt.) L. Urquhart, High. L.I. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On four occasions his battalion had captured its objective, only to be driven back in turn by the enemy counter-attack. On all these four occasions his gallantry and determination were most conspicuous. As the leading lines were withdrawing for the fourth time he remained behind with his company commander, who was badly wounded, dressed his wound under an intense machine-gun fire, and finally carried him back to our lines. No praise is too high for this magnificent example of courage and devotion to duty.

19121 Sjt. E. C. Vanner, R.W. Kent R. (Lewisham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid he took command of

the left attacking party after his officer had become a casualty, and though considerably outnumbered he attacked the enemy with all the available bombs. Having then organised an orderly withdrawal, he stayed behind with another serjeant and attempted to bring back his officer; but, being attacked by a number of the enemy, and his comrade being wounded, they were forced to return to our trenches. He acted with courage and coolness throughout the operation.

3491 Cpl. L. Walker, M.M., Rif. Bde. (Chatham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy assaulted his position he checked their advance by leading six men of his section over the open to meet them and by firing rifle grenades into their midst. Subsequently, when forced out of a post in a communication trench through his supply of bombs failing, he obtained a fresh supply and bombed his way back to the post, which he held until his wounds necessitated his removal. His tenacity and determination were most praiseworthy.

81995 Bomdr. S. Walmsley, R.F.A. (Keighley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though the line from the observation post to the battery was cut on innumerable occasions, this man repaired and patrolled it continuously during the attack. His gallantry and efficiency as a linesman were of the utmost value to the battery, the fire of which was thus enabled to be controlled, with the result that two hostile batteries were immediately silenced on coming into action. Throughout the attack his courage and gallant conduct were beyond all praise.

9495 L./C. (A./Cpl.) J. Walsh, R. Ir. Reg. (Deurbell, co. Kilkenny).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When forming with another man the advanced point of a reconnoitring patrol, which was advancing on a hostile post, they were confronted by an enemy machine gun in action. They at once rushed the team with the bayonet and captured the gun with its crew. This gallant action proved his courage and dash to be of the highest order.

S/29867 Pte. W. E. Warner, Rif. Bde. (Rotherhithe).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst acting as a stretcher-bearer, on his company commander being wounded he crawled out to him, bandaged his wounds and brought him in safely. His magnificent example was beyond all praise.

18004 L./Cpl. D. Watson, R. Ir. Regt. (Kirkintilloch).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He himself shot several of the enemy who were offering resistance, and bombed the shafts of a trench system where they were holding out. He then, on his own initiative, collected a party of bombers, with which he successfully mopped up some enemy snipers, twelve of whom he took prisoners. Later he took out a covering party, remaining in a position whence he could protect a wiring party, only withdrawing when the

wiring was completed. All through the engagement his fearlessness and initiative were beyond all praise.

34837 C./S./M. (A./R.S.M.) W. Welford, E. Lanc. R. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in bringing up supplies to the firing line under heavy fire. By his skill and coolness he undoubtedly prevented heavy casualties among the transport.

610824 Sjt. L. Wells, M.M., Lond. R. (Upper Tollington Park).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After all the company stretcher-bearers had become casualties he supervised the evacuation of all cases to the regimental aid post himself, under a very heavy barrage. Also, when acting as company quartermaster-serjeant, he conducted the ration parties through heavy fire and was successful in keeping the company supplied throughout the operations. By his coolness, courage and resource he set a splendid example to all ranks.

202113 Pte. (A./L./Cpl.) T. G. Weller, R.W. Surr. R. (Mitcham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rushed forward alone to meet an enemy counter-attack and held up the enemy with bombs. He showed magnificent courage and initiative.

3/6292 Sjt. A. H. Wheatley, Leic. R. (Leicester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of the battalion signallers. When the telephone lines were cut he exposed himself to the enemy's fire with utter disregard of danger and sent messages with flag and heliograph.

L/5915 C./S./M. F. E. Wheeler, R. Fus. (Swindon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Always cool and courageous, he performed his duties regardless of hostile fire, and though blown up by a shell and wounded he still carried on, and rendered invaluable aid to his company commander. He was also instrumental in digging out a machine gun team who had been buried by a shell, his promptitude in getting to work saving all their lives. No man could have set a higher example of the duties of a company serjeant-major in action.

S/6688 Pte. H. A. Whipp, R.W. Surr. R. (Rotherhithe).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst his platoon was held up by a machine gun which had caused many casualties he rushed forward, killed two of the team, taking the remainder prisoners, and capturing the gun. Later, though wounded, he dashed ahead and killed a sniper who was harassing the advance. Showing a fine example of courage, he carried on until the final objective was reached.

34931 L./C. C. H. White, Bord. R. (Chester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy made a determined attempt to outflank our troops he led his Lewis gun team to the exposed flank and brought heavy fire to bear on the enemy, checking their advance. Though badly wounded, he remained in action until ordered to leave the firing line. He showed great courage and determination.

31705 L./C. J. Whitwell, N. Lanc. R. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His Lewis gun mules broke loose when they came under heavy fire. He caught them and led them forward and brought his guns into action in a part of the line where they were urgently needed. He showed splendid coolness and initiative.

33268 L./C. F. Wilburn, Manch. R. (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He frequently carried messages under heavy fire. On one occasion he accompanied an officer on a difficult and dangerous reconnaissance, displaying great coolness and courage.

6328 C.S.M. A. Wilcox, K.R.R.C. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This warrant officer ably assisted his company commander in organising the defence under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire. On the enemy making two bombing attacks his men began to run short of bombs during the second attack. He thereupon returned through a most severe barrage and, finding a dump of bombs, organised a party which, under his leadership, brought them up to the front several times. Throughout his extreme personal coolness and disregard of danger kept all ranks steady.

9212 Sjt. W. J. Williams, Glouc. R. (Hastings).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command when his officer was killed during an attack. He showed great dash and initiative in controlling his men and in leading them successfully to the capture of his objective.

200077 L./Sjt. A. Wilson, R. Scots (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officers and the senior N.C.O.'s of his company had become casualties he took command, pressed on, and continued to lead the company in the attack with great skill, determination and gallantry.

120794 Spr. F. Wilson, R.E. (Newark).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. He went forward and placed explosives in the enemy's wire before our barrage had lifted from the enemy's position. One of the charges failed to explode, and he went forward to investigate the misfire under

a heavy enemy barrage. As the wire was only partially cut he set to work with wire cutters, though he was knocked over three times by bursting shells. By his courageous and determined efforts he succeeded in making a gap in the wire which was of the greatest assistance to the raiding party.

250427 C./S./M. F. Wilson, Essex R. (Colchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed marked dash and initiative in rushing an enemy machine-gun section, with the assistance of two other men, killing two and capturing four of the enemy, together with two machine guns. His conduct was deserving of the highest praise.

307341 Cpl. L. Wilson, W. Rid. R. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a wiring party when the enemy attempted a raid. He opened fire on them and, finding his flank threatened, skilfully withdrew towards the front line, thus bringing the enemy under enfilade fire from Lewis guns. Finding that one of his party who had been wounded was missing, he went out again and brought him in. He showed splendid courage and initiative.

240116 C.S.M. W. C. Windows, Som. L.I. (Bristol).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He took command of his company and led his men right up to his objective. Remaining in this position under heavy fire throughout the day he, on the withdrawal being ordered, collected his remaining men and brought them back with great ability and coolness.

13287 Cpl. H. A. Wingfield, M.M., Essex R. (Bethnal Green).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a Lewis gun team in an attack. He led his men with the greatest courage and skill and rendered great assistance in keeping down the fire from the enemy trenches. He rushed ahead and captured single-handed an enemy machine gun and crew of six who were coming into action. His prompt and courageous action saved the lives of many of his comrades.

DM2/112852 Pte. F. Winterbottom, A.S.C. (Oldham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When some lorries were shelled and two men were wounded he showed great coolness and courage in assisting in unloading the lorries under heavy fire.

156074 L./Cpl. (A./Cpl.) A. Wischusen, R.E. (Newport).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When working with a tunnel reconnaissance party, he with his officer, who was wounded in the leg, met a party of the enemy, who signified that they wished to surrender. When he was about to pass the prisoners up the entrance of the tunnel, an enemy officer treacherously struck him full in the face. He thereupon knocked this officer

down, bayoneted the next, and threw a third on top of a bomb, the rest meanwhile, who were being covered by his officer, surrendering. The surviving enemy officer was then compelled to disclose the positions of the mines. This man's work throughout was magnificent, and was performed with a zeal and courage beyond all praise.

320278 Pte. (A./L./C.) R. Woods, Norf. R. (Norwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. With an N.C.O. he attacked a group of enemy snipers who were resisting the advance, captured four of them, wounded two and put the remainder to flight. He showed splendid dash and gallantry.

4827 C./S./M. J. Worthington, R. Lanc. R. (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty: When the officers of his company had become casualties he reorganised the company, led it forward, and captured a number of prisoners. The success of this operation was largely due to his courage and determination. He did excellent work throughout the operations.

G/5662 Cpl. W. T. Wynne, R. Fus. (Southall).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the occasion of the enemy mass attack he showed the most conspicuous tenacity and courage in holding a post in the most advanced line. When the remainder of the line fell back he continued to hold his post by the effective use of his machine gun, and was largely instrumental in preventing the enemy from advancing to our second line. That the line was almost immediately recaptured was due to his fine soldierly spirit and example.

CANADIAN FORCE.

520 S.S.M. T. A. Aisthorpe, M.M., R. Can Drns.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid, and as the last party was returning to our lines, one of the men acting as escort to the prisoners was wounded and the other stunned. He, seeing that one of the prisoners was about to bayonet the man lying stunned on the ground, rushed forward, thus saving his comrade's life, and recaptured the prisoners, who were making good their escape.

898115 Spr. J. A. Barwick, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. A machine gun gallery was blown in by an enemy shell, and he and four others were cut off. He dug through the part of the gallery which was blown in and, while trying to get one of the other men up the shaft, he was partially buried by another shell, which destroyed the shaft. He continued at work for an hour, and finally cut his way through to the surface and got the four men out safely. He saved the lives of his comrades by his courage and determination.

472062 Sjt. D. Bourton, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on the enemy's trenches. After he had reached his objective an enemy machine gun opened fire on his party from a concrete emplacement. He went forward covered by the rest of his party, captured the gun and its crew of three. He then cleared the whole area, bombed two dug-outs and withdrew his party. He set a splendid example of courage and leadership.

75574 Cpl. J. Falconer, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On finding our wire destroyed by hostile bombardment, he placed his men to meet a possible attack. When the latter was checked, he led his men out, and though greatly outnumbered rushed the enemy and inflicted several casualties on them. His dash, initiative and cool leadership afforded a most stirring example to his men.

706387 Pte. J. G. Hagman, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On a large number of the enemy attempting to rush his machine gun, he maintained a steady fire, which served to break up the attack on his post. He then engaged another party, which was attempting to rush the next post, and inflicted casualties on them. Thanks to his coolness and steadfast devotion to duty these posts were enabled to be held.

902 Sjt. A. B. Martin, R. Can. Drns.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a Bangalore torpedo party he approached the enemy wire with great skill and courage, and successfully blew a gap in the enemy wire. On the explosion of the second torpedo he took charge of the right blocking party, dashed into the enemy trench, and with the assistance of another man captured six prisoners. His fearless conduct contributed in the highest degree to the success of the enterprise.

15295 Sjt. H. R. Rebbitt, Cav.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid he formed one of the covering party, and in order to avoid giving the alarm whilst our party was approaching the wire he allowed himself to be completely surrounded by an enemy patrol. On the torpedo exploding, he dashed at the enemy, killing some and dispersing the remainder into our barrage. He displayed great courage, judgment and skill.

145710 Pte. R. J. Seed, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. Though attacked with hand grenades he rushed the enemy and accounted for five of them. Observing a party attacking his company commander, he bombed them and killed or wounded the entire party, and thus saved the officer's life. He showed splendid courage and determination, which contributed materially to the success of the operation.

506 B./S./M. F. Wardell, Fd. Arty.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst the battery position was under heavy shell fire he dug out and extricated four men who had been imprisoned in a shelter, and then proceeded to extinguish some burning charges in one of the gun pits at great personal risk. On a previous occasion, when in charge of limbers and wagons under a heavy gas bombardment, he displayed great coolness and gallantry in getting these away, himself remaining to evacuate the wounded. He has at all times set a splendid example to the men of his battery.

15581 A./Cpl. M. Welsh, R. Can. Drns.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the second torpedo party during a raid he rushed to the farthest stretch of enemy wire and exploded his torpedo. He then assumed command of the left blocking party in the front-line trench, and there performed most valuable work.

21214 Pte. D. Wright, Cav.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After the raiding party had passed their point of departure, a hostile patrol approached the party from the rear. He at once leaped forward, bayonetting the leading man, and charged the remainder. His prompt and gallant action in the face of heavy rifle fire prevented the main body from being attacked, and contributed in a marked degree to the success of the enterprise.

AUSTRALIAN FORCE.

1517 Sjt. E. A. Bourke, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. In preparation for a raid he carried out valuable reconnaissance work and obtained important information as to the enemy's defences, which contributed very largely to the success of the operation. He showed splendid initiative and skill.

353 S./S./M. A. H. Currington, L.H. Rgt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the enemy first rushed the position, he gallantly rushed to the front and gave great assistance in beating off the initial attack. He then went along the line and rendered the most valuable aid in reorganising the whole position, taking ammunition along the whole line to every place where it was required. His soldierly bearing and fine fighting spirit were most conspicuous.

1010 Tpr. H. W. Keable, L.H. Rgt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the enemy attacking his position with bombs, he kept up continuous fire until a bomb destroyed his gun and wounded him in the shoulder. The line being then ordered to fall back, he carried back his damaged gun to the position in rear, where he got possession of another spare gun, and there he hung on until the hostile advance was definitely

checked. His determination and endurance were of the highest order.

3380 Sjt. H. G. McLauchlan, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a strong point which the enemy attempted to raid under cover of an intense bombardment. The enemy attacked from a flank, and owing to the darkness were close to his position before they were observed. He at once opened Lewis gun fire and organised a counter-attack with bombs, and when the Lewis gun jammed he remedied the defect with great coolness and got the gun into action again. He showed splendid determination and resource, and encouraged by his example his men offered such a spirited resistance that the enemy were driven off, having suffered several casualties and leaving a prisoner, a machine gun and four bags of grenades in his hands.

2406 Pte. (L./C.) B. Quintal, Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a Lewis gun in a strong point which the enemy attempted to raid under cover of an intense bombardment. He at once opened Lewis gun fire, and when the gun jammed he attacked the enemy with bombs and assisted in driving them off with considerable losses. His coolness and initiative were an inspiration to his comrades.

28977 T./Sjt. P. Sheehan, T.M. By.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He assisted in keeping his trench mortars in action in support of a raid under very heavy fire. At the end of the operation one of the gun positions was destroyed by shell fire, and an officer and the crew were buried. With the help of one man he succeeded in digging them out in spite of continuous and heavy fire. By his courageous and determined action he saved three lives.

815 Sjt. J. Watson, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the left flank party of a reconnoitring patrol he rushed towards a ruined building, in which the enemy had been observed, and succeeded in capturing one of the enemy. Whilst returning to our lines with his prisoner a second party of the enemy was encountered, which was successfully attacked, and, thanks to his coolness, gallantry and resource in the handling of his party no casualties were suffered, and the object of the patrol was accomplished, that of securing an identification.

3204 Cpl. A. T. Winter, Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in a raid on the enemy's trenches. He was responsible for keeping direction on the flank during the advance, and guided his men with splendid judgment and skill under the most difficult conditions. The party met with strong resistance from the enemy, and he showed great determination in the hand-to-hand struggle which ensued, personally accounting for two of the enemy.

SOUTH AFRICAN FORCE.

120 Cpl. A. T. Chrystal, Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his company was ordered to counter-attack he took his Lewis gun forward, with utter disregard of danger, under heavy fire, and gave invaluable assistance in driving the enemy from their position. He showed splendid courage and determination.

Sjt. J. R. Allan, Rif. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on a strong enemy position one of the advancing platoons was heavily counter-attacked by the enemy. With great courage and initiative he fired his Lewis gun in the open, under heavy machine-gun fire, and succeeded in holding up the enemy's counter-attack. His gallant action was of the greatest value, and saved many casualties.

NEWFOUNDLAND FORCE.

793 Cpl. L. J. Fitzpatrick, M.M., The Royal Newfoundland R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was the first to come forward when volunteers were called for to retake part of a trench which had been lost. He, leading a squad along the trench, succeeded in rescuing a wounded officer who had been left behind. Though on first encountering an enemy bombing party he withdrew through lack of bombs, he procured some of the latter, and eventually drove back the hostile party, killing two of the latter himself.

With reference to the award of the D.C.M. conferred as announced in the London Gazette dated 11th April, 1918, the following are the statements of service for which the decoration was conferred:—

240484 Cpl. W. W. Andrew, Devon. R. (Peterboro').

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of the battalion signallers during the operations, and carried out his duties with great skill and initiative. He went forward to lay a telephone line between brigade and battalion headquarters during an attack. He was wounded before reaching battalion headquarters, but his skilful organisation resulted in the line being completed, and so enabled the battalion commander to keep in touch with the brigade.

202746 Pte. R. Barber, Arg. & Suth'd Hghrs. (Dundee).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as runner during an engagement. He continually carried messages to and from the firing line under heavy machine-gun and shell fire. Though he was twice wounded he continued at his duties without any thought for his own safety, and thus ensured communication being maintained during a critical period. He set a splendid example of courage and initiative.

H/45714 T./R.S.M. A. C. Batchelor, Hrs. (Southfields, S.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rendered valuable service during the operations, showing fine soldierly qualities throughout.

801265 Sjt. W. Bell, R.F.A. (Peterboro').

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did most valuable work in training and supervising the signallers of the brigade. He maintained the communications of his battery at a high state of efficiency under most difficult conditions, and by his energy and resource contributed largely to the success achieved by the battery during the operations.

452142 C./S./M. G. Birch, R.E. (Birkenhead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rendered valuable service throughout the operations. He showed untiring energy in the performance of his duties during a long period, and set a splendid example of courage and industry to all ranks.

55769 Pte. S. J. Bond, Yeo. (Barrow-on-Humber).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as stretcher-bearer. He attended to the wounded under very heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, showing great courage and self-sacrifice.

125236 Gnr. A. Boon, R.G.A. (Westcliff-on-Sea).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He followed the advancing infantry during an attack and laid a telephone line under heavy fire. He showed great coolness and skill.

202649 Pte. F. C. Braby, Hamps. R. (Petersfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when his platoon was held up by heavy machine-gun fire during an attack. His Lewis gun jammed, but he immediately stripped it in the open under heavy fire, rectified the stoppage, and got the gun into action again within a few minutes. He silenced the enemy machine-gun, and thus enabled his platoon to continue the advance. He showed splendid courage and coolness.

10929 B./S./M. L. H. Browne, R.H.A. (Reading).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He set a splendid example to his men throughout the operations by his initiative, determination, and untiring energy. On one occasion he took command of the battery and got it into action with excellent results.

290021 R./Q./M./S. J. C. Burland, Midd'x R. (Putney).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did excellent work under the most difficult conditions, and always set an example of cheerfulness and untiring energy, which had a splendid effect on his men.

230171 Sjt. R. L. Burnell, Yeo. (Gillingham, Dorset).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when acting as brigade galloper. He carried messages on several occasions under heavy fire, and twice established communication with his regiment over very difficult ground when all other means had failed. On one occasion he passed through a party of the enemy while carrying an urgent message. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative.

49749 Sjt. J. Byars, M.G.C. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a section of machine-guns during an advance. When the battalion with which he was advancing suddenly came under very heavy machine-gun fire, he showed great coolness and skill in bringing his guns into action. By his splendid example of courage and coolness he kept his men well under control in a most difficult situation, and greatly assisted in the advance and the subsequent capture of the objective.

72082 L./Cpl. (A./Sjt.) J. Cahill, R.E. (Leeds).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an advance. He was in charge of the advanced signal office, and by his good example and continuous hard work under difficult conditions encouraged the N.C.O.'s and men under him to most successful efforts.

203531 Sjt. C. Chambers, R.W. Kent R. (Crayford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as signalling serjeant. He did excellent work during the operations in maintaining communication under very heavy fire and in most difficult circumstances. He set a splendid example of initiative and energy to his men.

92193 Sjt. H. Chetwynd, R.F.A. (Hanley, Stafford.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of the brigade signallers throughout the operations, and by his energy and resource succeeded in maintaining communications under the most difficult conditions.

96031 Sjt. R. J. Cooper, M.G.C. (Lichfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a machine-gun detachment during an attack. In spite of very heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, which was concentrated on his detachment, he continued to advance and to support the troop to which he was attached. He pushed forward to new positions, drove back the enemy, and inflicted heavy casualties on them as they retired. He showed splendid courage and skill.

96143 L./Sjt. P. Coriat, M.G.C. (Morocco).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He galloped his sub-section forward under fire, on his own initiative, to assist in an advance, and got his machine guns into action with excellent effect. He showed splendid initiative and skill.

240009 C.S.M. W. H. Cousens, Hamps. R. (Eastleigh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an advance. He carried out his duties with great ability and energy. His disregard of danger on all occasions was a splendid example and encouragement to his men.

158647 A./Bombr. H. Cowley, R.G.A. (Winslow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On two occasions he laid telephone lines under fire and kept them in repair when they were cut by enemy shelling. He set an excellent example of courage and energy.

290392 Sjt. F. Crowder, Ches. R. (Macclesfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His untiring industry and energy inspired all the battalion runners to most successful efforts. He carried out his duties in a most capable manner under difficult conditions and rendered valuable services to his battalion.

300059 Sjt. W. Davidson, R.A.M.C. (Rothes).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was senior N.C.O. of an advanced dressing station during three engagements. He showed great initiative and skill in meeting emergencies and was untiring in his labours on behalf of the wounded under shell fire.

660058 Sjt. T. Dickson, R.F.A. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He rendered valuable service during the operations and set a splendid example to his men. On one occasion during an advance he met a serious casualty to his gun team with great coolness and resource, with the result that his gun maintained its place in the advance.

275200 Sqdn. S.M. T. East, Yeo. (Newark).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his officer was killed on a reconnaissance he took command of the troop, completed the reconnaissance, and made a valuable report. Later, he was of great assistance in repelling an enemy attack. He set a magnificent example of courage and initiative throughout the operations.

456014 Pte. J. P. Green, R.A.M.C. (Bath).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great courage and resource in attending to the wounded under fire in three engagements.

78161 L./C. (A./Cpl.) R. C. Hall, R.E. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept up communication during an advance with great skill and determination in spite of repeated enemy action.

200742 Pte. T. Hambly, D.C.L.I. (Camelford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Though wounded he kept his Lewis gun in action with great courage and determination under heavy fire.

235011 Sjt. J. Handy, Yeo. (Briton Ferry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his troop with great coolness and determination in several engagements. He showed splendid skill and courage under heavy fire.

528006 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) A. Head, R.E. (Bedford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did excellent work in laying and testing cables, and carried out his duties with great skill and energy throughout the operations.

28241 Sjt. W. C. Hensby, Norf. R. (King's Lynn).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack. When all the company officers became casualties he took command of the company and led it to the final objective with great coolness and skill under heavy fire.

418364 Spr. D. Hinds, R.E. (Portaferry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as signaller throughout the operations. On one occasion he worked for four and a-half hours under intense shell fire repairing broken cables. By his courage and determination he was instrumental in maintaining communication between divisional and brigade headquarters.

320049 Sjt. D. J. Hinds, Welsh R. (Tenby).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of the battalion advance report station during an attack. In the final stages of the attack he occupied a most exposed position under shell and machine gun fire, and continued to send back messages until the enemy's position was captured. He showed splendid courage and resource.

624816 B.S.M. G. G. Holloway, H.A.C. (Dursley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did excellent work throughout the operations, keeping up communication and taking ranges under heavy fire with great coolness and skill.

446247 C.Q.M.S. R. O. Hughes, R.E. (Birkenhead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did excellent work throughout the operations, and inspired his men by his splendid example of cheerfulness and untiring energy.

200403 Sjt. (A./C. Q.M.S.) J. W. Hunwicks, Essex R. (Romford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great courage in reorganising his platoon and consolidating a

captured trench under heavy fire, and set a splendid example to his men.

115036 R.Q.M.S. S. C. Irwin, Yeo. (Streat-ham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He did consistent good work throughout the operations, and showed great initiative and skill.

355623 C.S.M. E. James, Welsh Fus. (Swan-sea).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he rushed an enemy machine gun single-handed and captured it with its two gunners. Later, during a withdrawal, he organised small parties and held successive positions, thus giving time for the removal of the wounded and carrying the withdrawal of his company from an untenable position. He showed magnificent courage and initiative.

20488 Pte. W. Jamieson, M.G.C. (Boddam).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his gun in action under heavy shell and machine gun fire, rendering great assistance to the infantry in the attack, and, though wounded, he displayed great gallantry in assisting to rescue a wounded comrade under heavy fire.

200607 Pte. A. Jane, D.C.L.I. (St. Germans).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After being wounded, he displayed great courage and coolness in keeping his machine gun in action under heavy fire.

T4/245402 C./S./M. W. H. Johnston, A.S.C. (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a period of three months he has shown energy and initiative, has performed fine service, and has displayed great devotion to duty.

240014 C.S.M. A. C. Jones, Welsh R. (Mountain Ash).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed splendid qualities of leadership and courage on all occasions, and set an excellent example to his men.

48210 Sjt. G. W. King, R.E. (Lechlade).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During recent operations he has commanded a detachment of the cable section and has displayed great initiative, successfully maintaining communications between divisions under very trying conditions, thanks to his energy and keenness.

11781 Sjt. W. Lattimer, R.G.A. (Nottingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout the preliminary bombardment, and especially on one occasion when the battery was heavily shelled, he displayed marked courage, endurance and cheerfulness, upholding the best traditions of the service. He supervised the working of his detachment and performed his duties in a conspicuously able manner.

200055 Sjt. W. Line, North'n R. (nr. Wellingborough).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the capture of the position he, as pioneer serjeant, commenced to construct a battalion headquarters under heavy fire. While doing so he was attacked by an enemy officer and three men, whom he immediately engaged with bombs, killing all of them. He displayed great courage and coolness.

301422 Bdr. J. Macleod, R.G.A. (Carloway).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the signallers during the recent operations he has performed excellent work in frequently laying and mending wire under heavy shell fire. He has shown great devotion to duty.

54347 Cpl. S. B. Maylam, R.E. (Lenham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout the recent operations, in addition to his work as motor cyclist artificer, he has always volunteered, whenever necessary, to perform the ordinary duties of a despatch rider. The fact that all the machines were brought out of action at the end of the period in running order was due to his untiring efforts and great devotion to duty.

345020 Sjt T O'Keeffe, Devon. R. (Torquay).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the action he showed the greatest gallantry in repeatedly rallying the men, repulsing counter-attacks, during which heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy. On a later occasion, during an attack, when the enemy launched a flank attack, he at once collected together some men and led a counter-attack. Though the enemy fell back before the dash and determination of this charge he nevertheless was compelled to withdraw. However, rallying his men again, he led them forward, charged the enemy and completely repulsed them. His courage, boldness and energy were beyond all praise.

386964 Sjt. M. J. O'Rourke, R.E. (Spec. Res.) (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout a period of three months he has always carried out his duties in a cheerful and reliable manner, and has rendered valuable service under the most trying circumstances. His devotion to duty has been most praiseworthy.

280187 Sjt. H. Parker, Yeo. (Nottingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a hostile advance he led his troop up to meet the advancing enemy and brought his machine gun into action at very close range, displaying an utter contempt of danger. Throughout the whole of the operations he has set a fine example to the men of his troop.

56087 Pte. F. L. Pelling, M.G.C. (Brighton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the capture of the first objective

the attack was held up by hostile machine-gun and rifle fire in some new enemy works. On his section being ordered into action his section officer became a casualty and one gun was put out of action. He, although wounded, immediately brought his gun into action, with the assistance of another man, and kept it in action until another two guns were in position and the enemy finally overpowered. It was largely due to his courageous and gallant action that the remaining guns were enabled to get into position and the enemy's fire beaten down, thus enabling the infantry to continue the advance.

200998 Pte. W. Penlerick, D.C.L.I. (Helston).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, as stretcher-bearer, showed great gallantry and endurance in collecting wounded under fire consecutively for thirty-six hours. On one occasion he volunteered to proceed from a post to the front line under an extremely intense fire over an area in which several of his comrades had been wounded, but was recalled by order of his medical officer in the interests of the unit. His courage and utter indifference to danger were beyond all praise.

99088 Bdr. (A./Cpl.) S. Ponting, R.F.A. (Swindon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack he personally controlled the wire to the forward observation station, and though the line was cut on innumerable occasions, owing to his devotion to duty communication was never interrupted for any long period. Throughout the operations he has had charge of the battery communications, and his work has been of the highest order.

16026 L./C. (A./Sjt.) C. H. Pook, R.E. (Southfields, S.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst laying cable to advanced brigade report centre, his party came under shell and rifle fire. Placing his wagon under cover, he then proceeded to lay by hand. On his arrival at the report centre, hearing that the objective being attacked had been captured, he volunteered to lay cable to this point, and accomplished his task. Throughout the action his courage and cheerfulness inspired all ranks in the highest degree.

855291 Gnr. J. T. Price, R.F.A. (Bournemouth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When the wire to the observation station was cut by shell fire, he without hesitation doubled along the wire over a heavily shelled area and succeeded in repairing the line. His prompt and gallant action aroused the admiration of all ranks.

396889 C./Q./M./Sjt. W. Price, R.E. (S.R.) (Wolverhampton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. For a period of three months he has been entirely responsible for getting rations, water and material to the unit, which was on

most occasions split up into three detachments, and also to the whole of the divisional transport. His untiring devotion to duty has been most marked.

265044 R.Q.M. Sjt. J. H. Ravenhill, R. Welsh Fus. (Pwllheli).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. It has been chiefly due to his resource and unflagging zeal that rations, water and stores have been brought up to the unit under the most difficult and trying conditions. His energy and devotion to duty have been most marked throughout the recent operations.

56089 Pte. V. H. Roberts, M.G.C. (Gravesend).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the capture of the first objective, the attack was held up by hostile machine gun and rifle fire in some new enemy works. On his section being ordered into action, his section officer became a casualty, and one gun was put out of action. He, although wounded, immediately assisted another man to bring the other gun into action, and kept it in action until another two guns were in position and the enemy finally overpowered. It was largely due to his courageous and gallant action that the remaining guns were enabled to get into position and the enemy's fire beaten down, thus enabling the infantry to continue the advance.

56143 Sjt. J. T. Savage, R.E. (Bradford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the past three months his fine work has been of inestimable value to the brigade signal section, and he has displayed the greatest keenness and efficiency in his duties, which he has at all times carried out in an energetic and trustworthy manner.

610276 Pte. C. R. Scammell, Lond. R. (Upper Holloway).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On communications breaking down, he carried the most important messages to battalion headquarters. On his return journey, whilst still under the most intense shell fire, he mended a wire, although he had no previous knowledge of the work. During the whole of the operations he has displayed soldierly qualities of the highest order.

72456 Motor Cyc. Cpl. M. C. Scawin, R.E. (Watford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a period of three months he has performed consistent good work, and has rendered valuable service, displaying marked devotion to duty.

510790 L./C. J. D. Scott, Lond. R. (Perth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the recent operations he has shown great ability and judgment when acting as guide to columns moving across country by night. He has done the most excellent work, and has rendered the most valuable service on the brigade intelligence staff.

810006 Fittr. S./S. T. Spiers, R.H.A. (Leicester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He by his untiring energy and determination succeeded with the aid of a few men in making a road over the most difficult and rocky country for the passage of the guns. Later, when the battery was in action and before ammunition wagons could be sent up, he, on his own initiative, at a critical time organised a party, which served the guns with ammunition. His devotion to duty was most commendable.

201766 Pte. R. J. Thomas, Hamps. R. (Corfe Castle).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He served his gun under heavy fire and changed its position with sound judgment as circumstances demanded. He displayed great coolness, ability and a complete indifference to danger.

412208 Sjt. R. H. Thomson, R.E. (Wishaw).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a working party, on his officer becoming a casualty, he left the trench, though subjected to heavy fire, and carried him in, after which he continued to supervise the work. His courage and presence of mind were most marked.

235701 Pte. (A./Sjt.) H. Trapp, Hereford R. (Hereford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As brigade orderly-room serjeant he has performed his duties in a most careful, conscientious and praiseworthy manner. His knowledge and ability are of the utmost value to the brigade, and he has shown the keenest devotion to duty.

200543 Pte. P. Trethewey, D.C.L.I. (Grampound Road).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He, as stretcher-bearer, showed great gallantry and endurance in collecting wounded under fire consecutively for thirty-six hours. On one occasion he volunteered to proceed from a post to the front line under an extremely intense fire over an area, in which several of his comrades had been wounded, but was recalled by order of his medical officer in the interests of the unit. His courage and utter indifference to danger were beyond all praise.

240722 Cpl. W. J. D. Venn, Som. L.I. (Tiverton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has carried out with marked success many important tasks with which he had been entrusted with the object of obtaining information, and has done consistent good work in scouting. He has at all times shown a complete disregard of danger.

H/45712 Sqdn. S.M. (T./R.S.M.) W. G. White, Hrs. (Cricklewood, N.W.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. As regimental serjeant-major he has performed his duties in an able and efficient manner, and throughout his conduct has been characterised by untiring energy and devotion to duty.

250784 Pte. W. Young, R. Scots (Bo'ness).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He displayed the utmost gallantry in action when, single-handed, he rushed a hostile machine gun, bayoneted one of the team, routed the remainder, and then put the gun out of action; there being a danger of an immediate counter-attack by the enemy. His courage, dash and initiative cannot be too highly praised.

AUSTRALIAN FORCE.

377 Sjt. J. M. Bargh, L.H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He was in charge of a patrol when the enemy launched an attack. Seeing the enemy advancing in strength he galloped his troop forward and occupied a cutting in advance of the infantry firing line. He opened fire on the advancing enemy, and by his bold simulation of strength checked their advance and compelled them to dig in. He showed splendid courage and initiative.

390 Tpnr. (T./C.S.M.) W. V. Dawson, L.H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed great initiative and skill during the operations and set a splendid example to his men.

491 Sjt. H. W. Farmer, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made a reconnaissance of a well 150 feet deep, and found that it contained over 500 slabs of explosives, which had been placed in by the enemy. The explosives were connected with two fuses, which were ready to be fired instantaneously. He succeeded in disconnecting the fuses and in removing all the explosives. He showed great ability and contempt of danger.

588 Cpl. J. Frazer, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a detached post was driven back from a position which was connected by telephone with the brigade on the right, he went out at great personal risk and cut the telephone wire. He carried out his duties as despatch rider during the operations with great skill and courage under the most difficult conditions, and never failed to deliver his despatches.

767 L./O. J. E. Hamilton, L.H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He crawled about sixty yards forward towards the advancing enemy under heavy fire, got his machine gun into action, and held up the enemy's advance, inflicting heavy casualties on them. He remained at his post for six hours regardless of the enemy's fire, showing magnificent courage and determination.

1955A Tpr. E. T. Johns, L.H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as stretcher-bearer. Whilst galloping into action, he dismounted under heavy machine-gun fire to attend to three wounded men and got them under cover. He showed utter disregard of danger.

663 Tpr. C. H. Livingstone, L.H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of a machine-gun in an advanced post amidst rough and difficult country, he, together with two other men, were isolated and kept under fire for over two hours by enemy snipers, during which period his two comrades became casualties. He nevertheless continued to fire his gun and engaged the enemy at close range. His determined action assisted materially in the occupation of the line, which formed the objective, and in driving out a group of enemy snipers. His conduct was beyond all praise.

16/314 Tpr. R. Maxwell, Imp. Camel Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He advanced for 500 yards to an advanced post under heavy shell, machine-gun and rifle fire to rescue a wounded comrade. Although he had to cross a very exposed piece of ground, he succeeded in bringing the wounded man back to our lines, displaying magnificent coolness and courage.

1574 Cpl. (T./C.S.M.) D. T. Richmond, L.H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During recent operations covering a period of three months he has performed consistent good work, and has rendered valuable and efficient service. He has displayed the most commendable devotion to duty.

137 Sjt. F. C. P. Salmond, L.H.R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When acting as troop leader in an important reconnaissance, his troop was

heavily attacked by a strong enemy force. Realising that it was essential to hold his ground, he took up a position of great tactical advantage, and, though subjected to heavy shell, machine-gun and rifle fire, held his ground for five hours until the remainder of his squadron returned. He displayed marked gallantry, initiative, and determination.

840 Sjt. L. Simpson, Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a period of three months he has performed consistent good work, and has rendered valuable service, especially in connection with the development of water supply, a task which was successfully accomplished, thanks to his energy and resource.

1997 Sjt. L. G. Towmer, Imp. Camel Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He carried a wounded man 400 yards out of action under fire, and later he went out and rescued several wounded men who were lying out in the open in front of our line. His gallantry and fearlessness were of the highest order.

AMENDMENTS.

The following are the correct descriptions of Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Men upon whom the D.C.M. has recently been conferred:—

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18201 C./S./M. L. A. Dobson, R. Welsh Fus.
24566 Cpl. A. Fellows, R. Fus.

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