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THURSDAY, 16 JANUARY, 1919.

*War Office,
16th January, 1919.*

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of a Bar to the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the under-mentioned Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Men, for gallantry and distinguished service in the Field:—

69450 Cpl. W. A. Flack, D.C.M., 9th Bn., R. Fus. (Cambridge).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the Maltz Horn Farm Ridge and Hardecourt on 28th August, 1918. During the attack he volunteered to keep touch with the Division operating on the flank of his battalion. Throughout the advance he kept walking repeatedly through heavy shelling and machine-gun fire backwards and forwards from his company to the flank company, keeping the respective Officers Commanding Companies informed of the situation. On 29th August, 1918, two fighting patrols were ordered to reconnoitre and occupy Maurepas; he was the first to volunteer. Owing to rough nature of the ground it was

extremely difficult for the patrols to maintain touch, so he voluntarily proceeded from one patrol to the other under heavy shell fire and kept them mutually acquainted with the other's progress. Throughout the operations he displayed high qualities of initiative and courage.

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

200545 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.), J. McD. Hay, D.C.M., M.M., 5/6th Bn., Sco. Rif. (T.F.) (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in patrol work. During an attack on Meath Post, 21st September, 1918, after the final objective had been reached he advanced with a patrol fully 600 yards, capturing two prisoners on the way. Later, in leading a bombing party up a trench, which he successfully cleared, he was severely wounded, but his Company were able to occupy the trench and consolidate it without loss.

(D.C.M. gazetted 3rd September, 1918.)

10064 R.S.M. D. Miller, D.C.M., 2nd Bn., R. Rif. (Cork).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations in the Messines Sector

on the 5th/6th September, 1918. This W.O. displayed great courage in supplying the front line with ammunition, food and water under heavy fire. Rations had been delivered at Battalion headquarters on the night 5/6th September, but it was inadvisable to withdraw carrying parties from the front line companies. He with a small party of men worked without ceasing until daylight the following morning, conveying under very heavy shell and rifle fire food, water and S.A.A. to each company. Owing to his tireless energy every man was fed and ammunition delivered to all posts. His conduct was a great example and undoubtedly increased the moral of all ranks.
(D.C.M. gazetted 3rd June, 1918.)

12071 Sjt. G. R. Richer, D.C.M., M.M., 8th Bn., Linc. R. (King's Lynn).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During hard fighting near Havrincourt on 9/10th September, 1918, he led men of his platoon with conspicuous gallantry and, at the head of a bombing party which cleared 800 yards of trench, he rushed an enemy machine-gun crew, killing eight and capturing two. He rendered very valuable assistance to his officer in establishing the captured line. His courage and devotion to duty were throughout a fine example to his men.
(D.C.M. gazetted 10th January, 1917.)

G./1192 Sjt. A. W. Trevor, D.C.M., M.M. 7th Bn., R. Suss. R. (Portslade).

For conspicuous gallantry near Meaulte on 22nd August, 1918. At the first objective he showed great initiative in clearing up dugouts in which the enemy had collected, doing it all single-handed. On reaching the final objective, seeing a party of the enemy on his flank, he went off by himself and returned with one officer and fourteen other rank prisoners. From the commencement of operations his courage and devotion to duty has continually been brought to notice.
(D.C.M. gazetted 5th December, 1918.)

2259 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) O. F. Waddington, D.C.M., M.M., 1st Bn., W. Gds. (Llantrisant, Glam.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 17th September, 1918, at Moeuvres. When the enemy attack opened after a heavy bombardment, during which he visited all the posts of his platoon and got up an extra supply of bombs and ammunition, he was wounded almost at once. He remained, however, with his men and beat off the enemy, throwing many bombs himself. The successful and immediate repulse of the attack at an important point was largely due to the gallant and determined leadership of this N.C.O., who in spite of his injuries left the line only on the order of his Company Commander. His splendid example of devotion to duty and endurance greatly encouraged the men under his command.
(D.C.M. gazetted 26th November, 1917.)

G./39939 C.S.M. J. Willy, D.C.M., 7th Bn., R. W. Surr. Regt. (Rotherhithe).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Tara Hill on 23rd August, 1918. He was slightly wounded at the commencement of the attack and, though suffering intense pain, continued to rally the

men and lead them forward in face of hostile machine-gun and rifle fire. He was almost the only one in authority left, most of the Officers and N.C.O's. having become casualties, and it was not until the final objectives had been consolidated that he reported his injuries, and was evacuated, after a fine example of endurance.

(D.C.M. gazetted 3rd September, 1918.)

CANADIAN FORCE.

116045 Sjt. A. O. Swanby, D.C.M., 2nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For courage, coolness and organisation during the attack on Le Quesney, on 10th August, 1918. After his officer was wounded he took charge of his platoon, and with good leadership pushed on to his final objective. When held up by a hostile machine-gun post he, with two others, rushed the post, killed the garrison and captured four machine guns. Later, on the capture of the village, he showed great judgment in selecting a position to safeguard our left flank.

(D.C.M. gazetted 28th March, 1918.)

55723 C.S.M. J. E. Thomas, D.C.M., 19th Bn., Can. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his Company Commander was wounded during operations at Fransart, on 16th August, 1918, he at once took charge of the H.Q. Section. On reaching the objective he made a reconnaissance of the Corps' position and finding that the right flank was in the air he volunteered to return and bring reinforcements. He accomplished this successfully despite persistent enemy sniping and machine-gun fire. During the action he captured twenty-four prisoners, and at all times set a fine example to his men.

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

204396 Sjt. J. H. Wells, D.C.M., 15th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and resource during the attacks on west of Drocourt-Queant line on 1/2nd of September, 1918. The day previous to the attack, his company suffered many casualties from the hostile barrage, but he kept the men's spirits up, and got the wounded evacuated. On the first day of the attack, he skilfully disposed his platoon to cope with a difficult situation, and captured a strong patrol of eleven men. He was wounded in the advance on the second day, but insisted in carrying on until he was again dangerously wounded while attacking a machine-gun nest. His energy and initiative were largely responsible for the success of the platoon in carrying out its task, despite heavy casualties.

(D.C.M. gazetted 15th November, 1918.)

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to the undermentioned Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Men for gallantry and distinguished service in the Field:—

230696 Sjt. J. W. Adams, 2/2nd Bn., Lond. R. (Westminster).

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership during the attack on Peizieres on 10th

September, 1918. When his platoon commander became a casualty, this N.C.O. took over the command of the remnants of his company and captured an enemy post, taking 11 prisoners and a machine gun.

41237 Pte. W. W. Ager, 2nd Bn., Essex R. (Mendlesham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 2nd September, 1918, north of Dury, he and another man were the only two left with a Lewis gun, all the rest being killed or wounded, and much of the ammunition lost. Collecting drums from derelict guns, they worked their way round to a flank of the company and brought enfilade fire to bear on the enemy, which materially assisted the infantry advance. During consolidation they pushed ahead and kept down hostile fire, one working the gun, the other collecting ammunition.

205319 Pte. (A./L./C.) A. G. Ahrens, 2/4th Bn., Y. and L. Regt. (T.F.) (E. Dulwich, S.E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At Vaulx-Vraucourt on the 2nd September, 1918, when all his company officers and senior N.C.O.'s had been either killed or wounded he led the men forward, and at the point of the bayonet captured three enemy field guns which were defended with stubbornness. His gallantry and disregard of danger when facing heavy odds were a very fine example to his men.

10778 Cpl. B. F. Allen, 1st Bn., R. Lan. R. (Hadleigh).

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative on the night of 1st September, 1918, before an attack on the Drocourt-Queant line. He was returning in charge of five G.S. limbered waggons, and on arrival at a bridge over a river found it under heavy shell fire and blocked by an artillery column. He took command, unhitched several dead horses, cleared the bridge, still under shell fire, and dressed four wounded drivers. His prompt action saved casualties, and enabled much needed ammunition to be got forward.

13597 C.S.M. A. M. Anderson, M.M., 10th Bn., W. York R. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Gouzeaucourt on 18th September, 1918. After consolidating when reconnoitring with his officer, the latter was killed, and he took command of the company. He then went forward alone to some dugouts and brought in 36 prisoners under a very heavy barrage. His coolness and leadership inspired confidence among all ranks.

38698 Sjt. S. Bagnall, 8th Bn., R. Berks. R. (Pendleton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 27th August, 1918, at Trones Wood. When a hostile machine gun was checking the advance of his company, he dashed at it and captured it, being severely wounded in the head while doing so. His prompt action enabled the advance to be continued to a successful conclusion.

G/12191 C.S.M., A. W. Balchin, 11th Bn., R. Fus. (Southfields).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at the crossing of the Ancre on 22nd

August, 1918, when the Company Commander and the officer next him were killed by machine-gun fire, and the Company was disorganised by having to wade through marshy ground often over their hips. He went forward and reorganised those near him as far as possible, leading them on to the first objective. His coolness and determination ensured a successful advance.

14438 Pte. E. W. Banks, 1st Bn., Essex R. (Bishop's Stortford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 18th September, 1918, at Havrincourt. During a counter-attack he made repeated journeys as a company runner between Battalion Headquarters and his Company Commander, always under continuous shell fire. His personal observation and concise information on the progress of the fighting, apart from the messages he carried, were of great value. He set a stirring example to all ranks.

240661 Pte. H. Barnaby, 1/5th Bn., R. W. Surr. R. (T.F.) (Acton). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action at Ramedi on 28th/29th September, 1917. He twice voluntarily went forward under heavy fire and brought in wounded men. He behaved splendidly.

G/3460 Sjt. S. Barton, 9th Bn., R. Fus. (Paddington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Morlencourt on 9th August, 1918. An enemy strong point, against which several attacks had failed, was causing many casualties. This N.C.O. went forward under heavy fire, and having carefully reconnoitred the ground crawled close up with three volunteers and rushed the post. The enemy, taken by surprise, surrendered after a sharp fight, and one officer, 30 men and three machine guns were captured. The gallantry and very skilful initiative displayed by Sjt. Barton saved many casualties and enabled the advance, which had been held up, to continue.

32099 Pte. H. W. Beatley, 1st Bn., Glouc. R. (Hereford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 16th September, 1918, south of Maisemy in bombing a sunken road and dugouts. He single-handedly rushed a hostile machine-gun team, forced them to surrender, and, having captured the gun, turned it on the fleeing enemy. He continued to behave with the greatest gallantry until finally wounded in the hand.

TZ/2452 L.S. (H.G.) R. G. Bell, Hawke Bn., R.N.V.R. (Newcastle-on-Tyne).

He led his men throughout the attack near Bucquoy, on 21st/28th August, 1918, with conspicuous gallantry and skill, capturing several machine guns with their crews and materially assisting the company to advance, in spite of heavy fire and stiff resistance. He did fine work.

308323 Cpl. W. Bell, 4th Sup. Coy., Tank Corps (Darlington).

On 22nd August, 1918, near Morlencourt, when his sub-section commander had been killed, he led his Tank on foot through an extremely heavy barrage. Arriving at our front line, he endeavoured to unload, but the

Infantry unloading party and three of his crew became casualties from the severe barrage. He endeavoured to collect a second party, but the infantry began to withdraw owing to the intense fire. He was unable to start his engine owing to half-unloaded supplies, but remained with his Tank to the last until the enemy were within fifty yards of him, when he withdrew. He made several attempts later with volunteers to reach the Tank, but the very severe machine-gun fire made it impossible. His conspicuous gallantry and resourceful energy in circumstances of great difficulty were admirable.

T.Z./7755 A.B. J. J. Bellamy, Hood Bn., R.N.V.R. (Blaydon).

He was acting as "runner" to the company commander during an attack N.W. of Achiet-le-Petit, on 21st August, 1918, and working with great gallantry and complete disregard of danger in country swept by shell and machine-gun fire he rendered services of great value. In company with another man he located and captured an enemy machine-gun, disposing of the crew. By his courage and initiative he saved many wounded men by getting them to places of safety in spite of heavy fire.

65177 Pte. A. E. Allen, M.M., 5th Bn., York. L.I. (Weston-super-Mare).

65193 Pte. G. H. Bevens, M.M., 5th Bn., York. L.I. (Bowes Park, London).

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Havrincourt between the 12th and 14th September, 1918, as battalion "runners." They worked continuously under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire; and there is no doubt that had it not been for the courage of these two men, several very important orders would never have reached the front line.

1263 Pte. A. W. Bird, No. 11 Field Amb., R.A.M.C. (Bow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty from 30th August to 3rd September, 1918, east of Arras. He worked continuously under heavy shell fire evacuating wounded, being wounded, buried by a shell, and later on gassed, and although vomiting for two hours, carried on with his work. He set a fine example of endurance to the other bearers.

276539 Sjt. A. J. Blake, 156th Hy. Bty., R.G.A. (Fitzwarren).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Oostaverne on the afternoon of 4th October, 1918, when guns and wagons, moving down a forward slope, came under observed fire. A direct hit caused several casualties, one driver being hit, and falling from his horse, Sjt. Blake, although wounded in the hand, jumped into the driver's saddle while the team was going at a fast trot, and so enabled the gun to be got safely away. This is the fifth time he has been wounded, and he has frequently got his guns into action under shell fire and aeroplane bombing.

58110 Sjt. T. A. Blore, R.F.A., att'd. Y/34th T.M.By. (Smethwick).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near St. Julien on 23rd/24th September, 1918. After a night raid by the enemy, seven men of the battery were missing. At 10 a.m.

in the morning this N.C.O., with another, volunteered to go out and search for them, advancing beyond the most forward posts in full view of the enemy. They found the guns untouched, but not the men. In the evening they brought in the guns.

241765 L./Cpl. H. E. Booth, 2/4th Bn., York. L.I. (T.F.) (Rotherham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Vaulx-Vraucourt on the 2nd September, 1918. During the attack all the officers and senior N.C.O.'s of his company became casualties before the objective was reached. He took charge of the company and led it to and consolidated the objective—a position of very great importance. His splendid example and leading under heavy fire was worthy of the highest praise.

241977 Sjt. P. J. Bowden, 1/5th Bn., S. Lanc. R. (T.F.) (Cheltenham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 20th September, 1918, near La Bassée. In an assault he rushed from above ground some enemy bombers who were lining a trench, and when the objective was reached worked his way alone across 300 yards of open ground to gain touch with the platoon on his right. On the way he had a hand-to-hand struggle with two of the enemy, securing one. His dash and courage in action is always noticeable.

76007 Pte. D. Bowling, 9th Bn., R. Fus. (Ratcliffe).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack near Morlancourt on 8th August, 1918, this N.C.O., with a wounded man, were in an advanced position surrounded by the enemy, who called on him to surrender. He refused. He was then wounded, but fought his way out and dispersed the enemy, and then went back and brought in the wounded man. His gallant act was a fine example of courage and determination.

19731 Sjt. T. W. Bowman, 2/4th Bn., Y. and L. Regt. (T.F.) (Pudsey).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Vaulx-Vraucourt on the 20th September, 1918. In company with another man he raided a dug-out and took forty prisoners, of whom three were officers. His daring gallantry and disregard of his own safety entirely overcame the opposition of the enemy.

470041 C./S./M. H. Brandon, 12th Bn., Lond. R. (Muswell Hill).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the attack on Happy Valley, Bray-sur-Somme, 24th August, 1918, when a counter-attack was imminent, this warrant officer collected about a hundred men from various companies and established himself on the railway embankment in the face of heavy machine-gun fire. Later, when all officers in his company became casualties, he assumed command and for three days showed great courage and skill in leading forward patrols and using his men generally with the utmost efficiency.

200386 L./Cpl. H. Breese, 2nd Bn., Tank Corps (Eccleshall, Stafford).

On 8th September, 1918, near Marcel Cave, he drove his Tank with great determination and skill over most difficult ground through heavy

fire to prevent it getting "ditched," and later, near Bayovillers, he brought his Tank into position, whence his gunners were able to silence the fire of two field-guns which had already disabled several other Tanks. He then ran over one of the guns and reached his objective. His courage, endurance, and devotion to duty in fighting and working his Tank for 36 hours under most trying circumstances were worthy of very high praise.

206188 Pte. P. Briggs, 15th Bn., Tank Corps (Manchester).

On 8th August, 1918, near Morcourt, he drove his Tank with courage and skill throughout the operations, and showed great initiative in handling it under the heavy fire of an enemy field battery. Having reached the objective the Tank was set on fire by direct hits, but he managed to drive it back to our lines in spite of the fumes and the fact that he was quite exhausted by his long and hard work. He set a splendid example of tenacity and resolution to his crew and to the personnel of the machine-gun detachment.

Ch./19896 Pte. W. Brindley, 1st Bn., R.M.L.I., att'd. 188th L.T.M. Bty. (Harpington).

On 25th August, 1918, near Grevillers, when his detachment was advancing in the early stages of an attack their progress was impeded by the fire of a machine gun. He went forward and single-handed captured the machine gun, taking the whole of the team prisoners. His gallantry and determination were a splendid example to all ranks.

305084 Sjt. G. Broadley, 8th Bn., W. York. R. (T.F.) (Leeds).

He entered a trench strongly held by the enemy at Vaulx-Vraucourt, on the 1st September, 1918, at the head of his platoon, killing three officers and many others and capturing a machine-gun. Throughout the operations he displayed conspicuous gallantry under fire and set a very fine example to his men.

376329 Sjt. D. Brown, 1/10th Bn., Manch. R. (T.F.) (Oldham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations near Villers Plonich on 28th September, 1918. He took forward a fighting patrol after the final objective had been consolidated, crossing the open under machine-gun fire and fring on enemy transport. He killed one man and forced the others to dismount and leave their wagons. Finally he brought in 15 prisoners, together with valuable information. His courage and cheerfulness inspired the men.

100514 Pte. J. Brown, No. 10 Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (Oldham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During night operations on 1/2nd September, 1918, east of Arras, the Medical Officer of the regiment was killed and the regimental stretcher-bearer wounded. He took over the care and evacuation of the wounded, collecting many himself, under shell fire, and establishing a R.A.P., where he attended to them. His resource and initiative saved much suffering and many lives.

78510 Sjt. W. Brown, 8th Bn., Tank Corps. (Montrose).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to

duty. On 8th August, 1918, near Morcourt, he was in command of the only Tank of his section left to assist the Infantry. Throughout the action he behaved with great courage and coolness and marked ability, manœuvring his Tank over very difficult country and affording great support to the Infantry. He engaged and silenced a battery of three guns. When near his objective he entered a dug-out and single-handed made prisoners of fifty of the enemy. His determination and complete disregard of danger and fatigue were a very fine example to all his crew.

305152 Cpl. T. Buckley, 5th Bn., W. Rid. R. (T.F.) (Moseley).

For fine leadership and courage near Havrincourt on 13th and 14th September, 1918. When his company was held up in a bombing attack on the main Hindenburg front line, he rushed a trench by himself and bombed the enemy out of it. Later, when a block was made and the enemy attempted to approach, he led another attack and threw them back.

695092 Pte. H. L. Bull, 1/22nd Bn., Lond. R. (Leyton)

For fine courage at Priez Farm, Combles, on 30th August, 1918. This man went 200 yards in front of the lines in full view of the enemy and assisted an officer wounded through both thighs. With great determination he crawled with him on his back and succeeded in regaining the lines.

22250 Sjt. W. C. Bundy, 1st Bn., (now Dépôt), Wilts. R. (Downton).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Hendecourt on 13th September, 1918 when the enemy raided the forward companies, using liquid fire and artillery. He inflicted many casualties with his Lewis gun, and bombed the enemy out of the trench which they had partially occupied. His leg was badly damaged, but he continued instructing his men in taking measures for the defence.

650234 Sjt. W. G. Burley, M.M., 1/21st Bn. Lond. R. (Peckham).

When the company, of which he was acting Company Serjeant-Major, lost direction and suffered heavy casualties in the advance from the Bray-Albert road on 24th August, 1918, all the officers being either killed or wounded, he took command and reorganised the company and got it back to its proper position. He attacked a strong point with great determination, more than once getting on to the parapet with a bag of bombs and pressing back the enemy. He was eventually severely wounded. His gallantry and fine example helped to secure a flank that was in a critical situation.

680483 C./S./M. (A./R.S./M.) H. Bush, 1/22nd Bn., Lond. R. (Thornton Heath).

He displayed great gallantry and coolness under heavy fire in an attack, south of Albert on the 22/23rd of August, 1918, successfully organising the supply of ammunition, water, etc., though the supply dump was in full view of the enemy. When part of our line was forced back, he collected a party of stragglers and organised them, and lined a ridge in face of heavy machine-gun and artillery fire. His fine example was most conspicuous throughout the operations.

682454 Sjt. J. Butler, 1/22nd Bn., Lond. R. (Kirkby-in-Ashfield).

When the advance was temporarily held up by heavy machine-gun fire, south of Albert on the 22/23rd August, 1918, he dashed forward with fine gallantry and captured a gun that was causing heavy casualties and turned it on the enemy. Later, when the enemy broke through on the flank, he collected a number of stragglers and reinforced the nearest company, remaining with them till relieved twenty four hours later. Throughout the operations he showed a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty.

50652 Sjt. W. Butler, 1st Bn., E. York. R. (Nottingham).

On the 20-21st August, 1918, near Beaucourt-sur-Ancre, he, by his fine leadership and utter disregard for danger, handled his platoon with such skill that he changed what might have been a critical situation into a brilliant success. On 22nd August, 1918, he crawled forward alone with a Lewis gun and killed a German officer and a man who had been causing considerable damage by sniping. Furthermore, he went forward and took the shoulder straps off the two men he had killed and brought them back for identification. He set a fine example to all ranks of great courage and devotion to duty.

1211 Pte. M. Carmichael, M.M., 2nd Bn., A. & S. Highrs. (Appin).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty from 20th to 23rd September, 1918, near Villers Guislain, as runner between Bn. H. Q and the front line. He did six journeys each way every day, under shell and machine-gun fire, 200 yards being in full view of the snipers and machine guns in the village. On the last day he carried up two loads of bombs and guided two platoons forward, showing tireless energy throughout.

122775 Pte. A. H. Cator, 33rd Bn., M.G. Corps (Carbrooke).

For conspicuous gallantry and energy in the attack near Villers Guislain on 21st and 22nd September, 1918, acting as No. 1 of a gun team. He brought his gun into action under a hail of machine-gun fire and frustrated a bombing attack which was driving back the infantry. In a second attack by the enemy his gun was knocked out, and he jumped on the parapet, shooting three of them with a rifle. His conduct was of great assistance to the infantry.

291507 Pte. J. Cavanagh, 1/8th Bn., Sco. Rif. (T.F.) (Juniper Green, Midlothian).

On 2nd September, 1918, near Wulverghem, when No 1 of a Lewis gun, he used it with great effect on an enemy machine gun, of which he destroyed the crew, capturing the gun itself. He was under a very hot fire at the time, and his No. 2 was badly wounded. Many casualties were prevented by his gallantry and rapid action.

325326 Pte. C. W. Caygill, M.M., 9th Bn., Durh. L.I., T.F. (Chopwell).

273099 Pte. J. Gundry, M.M., 9th Bn., Durh. L.I., T.F. (Chopwell).

For magnificent conduct at Havrincourt, 12th to 15th September, 1918. When forward platoons of their company were heavily

counter-attacked and pressed back by the enemy, leaving many casualties in "No Man's Land," they went forward and rescued the wounded in the face of heavy machine gun and snipers' fire. They made nine journeys and brought in sixteen of their wounded comrades, whose lives they undoubtedly saved.

17016 Pte. (A./Cpl.) J. Chapman, 5th Bn., W. Rid. R., T.F. (Stanmore).

For conspicuous gallantry and determination as bayonet man in a bombing party during the attack on the Hindenburg line on 13th September, 1918. His party was held up by a wire block in the trench and strong opposition. In the face of heavy bombing and machine-gun fire, he pulled away the block, thus allowing his comrades to go on and capture the trench.

3/8106 Sjt. W. W. Chidgey, M.M., 6th Bn., Dorset R. (Bristol).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 18th September, 1918, at Gauche Wood. After the battalion had advanced through the wood and captured a redoubt, touch was lost with the left, and this N.C.O. came under heavy fire from a trench on that flank. In hand-to-hand fighting he cleared the enemy from this trench, and later, although wounded, he collected some detached men and led them on to their objective. His enterprise and endurance were a splendid example to all ranks.

205022 Sjt. D. W. Child, 13th Bn., Tank Corps (Fenge).

On 8th August, 1918, near Bayonvillers he acted as Tank commander and displayed great courage and powers of leadership throughout the action, pushing through heavy fire of anti-Tank guns to destroy enemy machine-gun positions over a wide front. It was largely due to his initiative and determination that the casualties to the infantry were exceptionally light in the area in which he was operating.

202885 Pte. W. Clark, 1st Bn., Essex R. (Colliers End, near Ware).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Trescault on 18th September, 1918. When his officer was wounded, this man took command of the platoon although himself wounded. He rushed along the top of the trench, bombing the enemy with his left arm, the right being useless, and forced them to retired, leaving four dead behind. He then re-organised the platoon, placing posts and erecting a block in the trench, beating off three determined counter-attacks. Before going to have his wound dressed, he insisted on showing the relieving officer his dispositions. He showed courage, determination and cheerfulness.

13452 Sjt. G. Clarkson, 9th Bn., W. Rid. Rgt. (Otley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Gouzeourt on the 18th September, 1918. When two machine guns were holding up the right flank company, this N.C.O. crawled forward, and when within five yards rushed them, killing one gunner and wounding the other. He afterwards went forward with

two platoons, and was largely responsible for the capture of 200 prisoners. His dash and initiative were a great incentive to his company throughout the attack.

206203 Sgt. W. T. Cleeves, 8th Bn., E. Surr. Rgt. (Farnham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Priez Farm on 1st September, 1918. When the company was held up by concentrated machine-gun fire, he went forward, re-organised the line and led the men to their final objective. Early in the day all the officers save one and all other serjeants had become casualties, but he worthily rose to the occasion, as he had frequently done in previous actions.

46451 Pte. C. Connoley, 2nd Bn., Essex Rgt. (Paddington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the Drocourt-Queant line on 2nd September, 1918. Whilst acting as platoon sniper scout, spotting a machine gun which had been causing casualties to his platoon about forty yards in front of him, he dashed forward without waiting for orders, shot the gunner through the head, and disabled the gun. On his return to report that the gun was out of action his clothing and equipment were found to be riddled with bullet holes.

6095 C./Q./M./S. J. W. Cook, 6th Bn., E. Lan. Rgt. (Burnley). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Mansuriyeh on 19th October, 1917. He displayed great coolness and ability in getting away the first line transport when it came under heavy fire. By his action the transport suffered no casualties.

39397 Sgt. A. H. Cornwall, 7th Bn., R. W. Surr. Rgt. (Cambridge).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on Fregicourt on 1st September, 1918. He led his platoon, composed chiefly of a new draft, against trench mortar and machine-gun fire, calmly walking in front under full view of the enemy. Thanks in a great measure to his example, trench mortars, machine guns, and over 200 prisoners were captured.

6211 C./S./M. C. W. Cox, 11th Bn., R. Scots. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry during the operations south of Meteren on the 16th August, 1918. Shortly before the final objective was gained an enemy machine gun was causing a great deal of trouble. He immediately organised a party and succeeded in rushing and capturing the gun and team. Throughout the operation he set a splendid example of courage and leadership.

64679 Sgt. A. G. Creer, M.M., 110th Bty., 24th Bde., R.F.A. (Hounslow).

For conspicuous gallantry and determination under fire, on 18th September, 1918, near Holnon Wood. The guns were brought into action during a heavy enemy bombardment; but he kept the teams and detachments in order and ensured the safe delivery of ammunition to the guns. He was knocked

over by the explosion of a shell and stunned, but carried out his duties till the end of the barrage.

9630 Sgt. J. W. Cronin, 1st Bn., R. Lanc. Rgt. (St. Peter's Port, Guernsey).

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership in an attack on the Drocourt-Queant line 2nd September, 1918. When all the officers of his company had become casualties, he took command, reached the objective, organised the defence and put outposts to the flanks, personally superintending these operations under heavy shell and machine-gun fire. All his dispositions were excellent.

200053 Sgt. T. Cross, 1st Bn. Som. L.I. (Weston-super-Mare).

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership near Eterpigny from 29th August-4th September, 1918, in several days' fighting—especially in an attack on a main trench line, when held up by machine-gun fire. He made a personal reconnaissance, which enabled him to manoeuvre his platoon so as to silence and capture the post. He afterwards reorganised his company, which was at the time without any officers.

715205 Sgt. R. Crossman, D/210th Bde., R.F.A. (Workington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Trescourt on the night of 23/24th September, 1918. While bringing forward ammunition wagons, the enemy opened a heavy barrage, five drivers and several horses being killed and wounded. With the assistance of an officer he unhooked the teams and got them safely away. They then, with the aid of one N.C.O. and one man, unloaded the whole of the 1,000 rounds, and got each wagon away as it was emptied without further casualties, although continuously shelled.

1685 Cpl. W. Crumplin, 7th Bn., R.W.Surr. Rgt. (Farnham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on Tara Hill, on 23rd August, 1918, when, with two other men, he dashed out in front of our advancing line and quieted a machine gun, killing two of the crew and driving the rest off. Later, he went out alone and established connection with the battalion on the left. During the whole day's fighting he set a fine example to all ranks.

G/2689 Sgt. A. W. Currie, 11th Bn., R.Fus. (Chiswick).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty south of Albert, on 22nd August, 1918. After crossing the marshes, the company, of which he was acting company serjeant major, became disorganised, and he walked up and down in the open, under intense machine-gun fire, re-organising and encouraging the men to push forward close up to the barrage. Later in the day, when touch with the right flank was lost, he went across the open under heavy fire and obtained liaison. His energetic conduct throughout was admirable.

50024 Pte. J. B. Currie, 2nd Bn., Lan. Fus. (Darlington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations against the Drocourt-Queant line on 2nd September, 1918. Acting as company runner during an attack, he was

most useful to his company commander. At one point, when two field guns held up the advance of the Tanks by point blank fire, he worked his way round to a flank and shot the officer in charge, who was just loading one of the guns, and then with the help of a serjeant rounded up the crews.

19820 Sjt. E. G. Davey, 10th Bn., Essex R. (Witham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack near Becourt on the morning of 23rd August, 1918. With his company commander he rushed a machine-gun post, and turning one of the guns upon two other posts, enabled them to be rushed in turn. He assisted in the subsequent mopping up, and was always in the thick of the fighting.

283071 Gnr. S. H. Davis, 429th Bde., R.F.A. (Brookley). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Ramadi on 28/29th September, 1917. He acted as signaller to the forward observing officer and rendered great assistance under heavy fire. He has done good work on other occasions.

45028 Sjt. W. Doran, 139th Hvy. By., R.G.A. (Bolden Colliery).

On the morning of the 22nd August, 1918, the section was heavily shelled on the western outskirts of Albert. One shell fell in No. 3 gun-pit, wounding the section officer and all but two of the detachment and setting the ammunition alight. He immediately took charge of the section, kept his own gun in action, removed the wounded from the burning No. 3 pit, and put out the fire. His behaviour and disregard of personal danger was magnificent, and undoubtedly kept the battery steady at an important juncture.

74017 Cpl. H. Duff, 1st Bn., M.G. Corps (Ballinging).

For conspicuous gallantry on 24th September, 1918, near Fresnoy. This N.C.O. got his guns into action under very heavy shell fire. One of his guns was buried, but he got it into action again very quickly, and it was owing to his courage that the two guns were kept going and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy.

30835 L./Cpl. T. Eardley, 15th Bn., Durh. L.I.

During an enemy raid on our support trench near Mendicourt, on the 10th September, 1918, he collected 15 men and vigorously counter-attacked the flank of the raiding party, who were thrown into confusion, wavered, and withdrew. His gallant conduct and fine leadership were mainly responsible for the failure of the enemy, and his splendid example under heavy fire greatly encouraged his men.

35827 Sjt. G. Egles, 9th Bn., Essex R. (Custom House).

During operations near Morlancourt on 8th August, 1918, the company to which he belongs reached its objective before the troops on the right, who had met with more opposition. His platoon was enfiladed from the rear. Notwithstanding this, he held his ground and greatly assisted the advance on the right battalion, and meanwhile led a section personally and drove out the occupants of a

small strong point on his right front, killing or capturing them all. On 10th August, in further operations N.E. of Morlancourt, he again displayed great leadership, and by personal courage led his platoon through very heavy fire to their objective, killing many of the enemy.

13183 Pte. (L./C.) W. Evans, M.M., 2/R. W. Fus. (Llangannock, Carmarthen).

For conspicuous gallantry during the attacks from east of the Ancre to High Wood on 23rd-28th August, 1918. He gave valuable assistance to his officer by keeping touch with all companies and reporting continuously on the situation. While locating a company that had pushed forward he came across a complete enemy machine-gun crew. He killed one and captured the remainder, together with the gun. Next day, though wounded, he remained with his battalion and continued at his duty throughout the whole of the operations. He showed splendid courage and devotion to duty.

240542 Sjt. J. Fallowfield, 1/5th Bn., K.O.S.B. (T.F.) (Whitehaven).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Wytshaete, on 21st, 22nd, 23rd September, 1918, when he was out on three successive patrols in "No Man's Land." On the third night he drove the enemy from a ridge and held it for three hours, covering consolidation behind, and though finally reduced by casualties to only ten men, he brought in all his wounded. He was exposed to heavy fire both in reconnoitring before the post was rushed and while holding on to it.

680156 C./S./M. H. Favell, M.M., 1/22nd Bn., Lond. R. (Bermondsey).

On the 22nd/23rd August, 1918, south of Albert, when our troops on the flank were compelled to withdraw under heavy pressure, he displayed great gallantry and disregard of danger, rallying the men by his splendid example under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. He was of great assistance to the only officer left of the company, and it was largely due to his efforts that a defensive flank was formed that successfully held up the enemy.

235931 Pte. (A./L./C.) J. E. Ferguson, 2/4th Bn., Y. and L. Rgt. (T.F.) (Newcastle).

During a counter-attack at Vaulx-Vraucourt on the 2nd September 1918, the enemy penetrated our trench and established a bombing block. He volunteered to drive them out, which he did with complete success. Later in the day, in company with another man, he rushed an enemy dug-out, capturing forty prisoners, including three officers. His gallantry and dash were conspicuous during the whole operations.

69450 Cpl. W. A. Flack, 9th Bn., R. Fus. (Cambridge).

G./62379 Pte. A. G. Leavers, 9th Bn., R. Fus. (Wandsworth Common).

69421 Pte. T. A. Parker, 9th Bn., R. Fus. (Walthamstow).

These three men volunteered to accompany a N.C.O. in an attempt to capture an enemy strong point that was causing heavy casualties to our line south of Morlancourt on the 9th August, 1918, and which had been attacked several times in vain. With great skill they

crept close to the post and rushed it, taking the enemy by surprise and capturing it after a short but stiff fight, capturing one officer, thirty men and three machine guns. The gallantry and skill of the whole party saved many casualties, and the advance which had been held up was able to continue.

S./43831 L./Cpl. G. Forrester, 2nd Bn., Sea. Highrs. (Paisley).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 31st August, 1918, east of Arras. During a night attack by the Battalion, his platoon was held up by machine-gun fire from a post about twenty yards away. He rushed the post with his section but they were beaten back. Although wounded he made another unsuccessful attempt, all his men being killed or wounded except one. The post was afterwards found to contain eighty men and twenty-one machine guns.

99296 L./Cpl. R. W. Fothergill, 1/5th Bn., L'pool R. (T.F.) (Hawes, Yorks.).

He acted as first bayonet man during an advance down a trench near Festubert on 7th September, 1918, and his coolness and accurate shooting largely helped the success of the patrol. He killed many of the enemy, especially the 1 and 2 of a machine-gun crew, thereby enabling his men to capture the gun. His gallantry and determination were a fine example to all who were with him.

96866 Dvr. (L./Bombr.) A. R. Fowles, R.F.A., att'd. Y/34th T.M. Bty. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near St. Julien on 23rd/24th September, 1918. After a night raid by the enemy, seven men of the battery were missing. At 10 o'clock in the morning this N.C.O. with another volunteered to go out and search for them, advancing beyond the most forward posts in full view of the enemy. They found the guns untouched, but not the men; in the evening they brought in the guns.

48415 Pte. J. Garvey, 7/8th Bn., R. Innis. Fus. (Galway).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on night patrol beyond Wulvergham Ridge, 25th September, 1918. He rushed a machine gun which was actually firing at him, and although there were two men with it, he seized it and put it out of action, bringing the two men in as prisoners.

68690 Gnr. H. Gilbert, 20th Bty., R.F.A. (Liverpool). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Tekrit, on 5th November, 1917. When acting as telephonist with his battery commander, the latter had to change his flank under heavy fire, and Gunner Gilbert wheeled the telephone barrow across the bullet-swept zone for several hundred yards. He frequently went out under heavy fire to repair wire. Throughout he showed marked disregard of personal danger.

27246 Sgt. G. C. Gilder, M.M., 1st Bn., Essex R. (Ongar).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Tresacourt on 18th September, 1918. This N.C.O., in charge of a bombing party, worked his way to a flank to gain touch with troops on the right. He personally

bombed back greatly superior numbers of the enemy, passing one barricade and going on alone against another block which was strongly held. He made four determined efforts to remove the block but failed, so he bombed the enemy back out of range and after silencing them, got his men up to the position, and made further unsuccessful efforts to remove the block. Later, he crawled out under heavy fire to bring in a wounded man. He showed the greatest determination throughout.

38657 Sgt. L. Gillies, M.M., 99th Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (Lochgelly).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Villers Guislain from 19th to 27th September, 1918, when for eight days he continuously superintended the clearance of wounded. On the afternoon of 20th September, during a heavy barrage, he assisted in bringing in a wounded officer, showing indomitable courage and energy.

118153 Cpl. T. Girdler, 18th Bn., M. G. Corps, (Caversham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 1st September, 1918, near Priez Farm. He was in charge of two gun teams in the advance, and got his guns well forward to their objective by sheer determination. First of all the No. 1 of a gun was wounded, and after attending to him, he himself was wounded as well as his section serjeant, and he was the only N.C.O. left with the two guns. He stuck to it, despite loss of blood, and dealt with snipers and machine guns as the advance progressed.

M2/120585 Sgt. E. Gorman, M.M., R.A.S.C. (M.T.), att'd. No. 11 Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 2nd September, 1918, on the Boiry-Vis-en-Artois road. He drove his car with wounded and supervised the work of other ambulance car drivers. In endeavouring to establish an advanced car post to relieve congestion of casualties under intense shell fire he was wounded and took refuge in a trench; he tried to fetch his car, but was again wounded and ordered to take cover. He did splendid work in evacuating wounded.

681685 Sgt. E. Gostick, 1/22nd Bn., Lond. R. (Bethnal Green).

When all the officers of his company became casualties in an attack south of Albert on the 22nd/23rd of August, 1918, he took command and consolidated the captured objective. Later, the enemy broke through on the flank, but he withdrew his men with great skill, and taking up a fresh position he held it against persistent attacks of the enemy till relieved twenty-four hours later. The successful and determined defence by his company was due to his gallantry and coolness and fine leadership.

4874 C.S.M. H. S. S. Gould, M.M., 8th Bn., E. Surr. R. (Fulham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on St. Pierre Vaast Wood on 1st September, 1918. When his company, which was one of those detailed to take the final objective, met with considerable opposition, losing an officer and several senior N.C.O.s, he was of great assistance to the company commander in rallying the men and preventing

the attack from coming to a standstill. When heavily shelled that night he took turns with the company commander in steadying the men in the trenches and evacuating the wounded.

39793 Cpl. C. G. Greenway, 33rd Bn., M.G. Corps (Mainesbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of a sub-section of machine guns advancing with the infantry in an attack near Villers Guislain on 21st September, 1918. Although incurring numerous casualties from machine gun fire, he got his guns into action but was wounded while observing their fire. He remained directing the fire the whole day, and had to be carried back on a stretcher completely exhausted.

37096 Pte. W. Griffiths, 8th Bn., R. Berks. R. (Frodsham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the craters at La Boisselle on 25th August, 1918. He volunteered to act as bayonet man in a bombing attack on a machine-gun post, and finally rushed it by himself. His conduct throughout the operations was exceptional.

200195 Sjt. G. Halewood, 1/4th Bn., Ches. R. (T.F.) (Birkenhead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the neighbourhood of Kemmel on the night of 22nd September, 1918. He was one of a raiding party of one officer and eleven other ranks. After completing their mission, one Lewis gunner was missing; he at once, on his own initiative, went back and found him lying wounded. While carrying him back both of them were wounded, but he struggled into our lines, the man subsequently dying of wounds.

57168 Pte. G. Halstead, 1/6th Bn., Manch. R. (T.F.) (Blackburn).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Havrincourt on 27th September, 1918. As No. 3 of a Lewis gun section, he brought forward his gun into action after Nos. 1 and 2 had become casualties. On reaching the objective he took his gun into the open and engaged a battery of field artillery, driving the enemy from their guns. His prompt initiative considerably helped the success of the advance.

201774 Pte F. Hanson, 2/4th Bn., W. Riding R. (T.F.) (Halifax).

For conspicuous gallantry in operations before Havrincourt between 12th and 15th September, 1918. Although wounded in the initial attack, this N.C.O. insisted on remaining with the leading wave until the first objective was reached. By good work with his Lewis gun he enabled his party to capture sixteen prisoners.

240979 A./Cpl. T. Hargreaves, 1/5th Bn., E. Lan. R. (T.F.) (Rawtenstall)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Beaucamp on 25th September, 1918. With two battalion scouts he volunteered to go out by day to obtain some required information, and by bold patrolling located an enemy post. Fetching up eight more men, he led a skilful surprise attack and took four of the enemy prisoners without a casualty.

45671 Pte. (A/Cpl.) E. C. Harvey 5th Bn., R. Berks. R. (Portsmouth).

For gallantry on the morning of 22nd August, 1918, near Meaulte. The platoon was held up by a machine gun. This man immediately rushed forward at great risk and shot the man at the gun, whereupon the remainder of the team surrendered. On 26th August, east of Carnoy, the platoon was in an isolated position. He gathered the platoon together and organised them for defence, then set out to find the remainder of the company despite the heavy machine-gun fire, and reported his whereabouts and strength and returned to his men.

Ply./884 (S.) Sjt. G. H. Hastings, M.M., 1st Bn., R. Mar. (Aston, Birmingham).

On 21st August, 1918, at Logeast Wood, having gained his objective in the face of stubborn opposition, he repulsed three determined counter attacks. Subsequently, when his platoon in an isolated and exposed position was almost surrounded by the enemy, he organised a local counter-attack and drove off the enemy. Throughout the whole operations he displayed great gallantry and conspicuous powers of leadership.

30262 Pte. (L/Cpl.) E. E. Hawkins, M.M., 1st Bn., Som. L.I. (Otley St. Mary, Devon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Eterpigny, on 29th August, 1918. When his platoon was held up by machine-gun fire, he went out alone to the flank, wading through water waist deep, and shot several of the gun team, forcing the rest to retire. He also accounted for at least four snipers. His fine work was largely responsible for his platoon reaching the river bank.

G/836 Sjt. E. J. Head, 7th Bn., R. Sussex R. (Uckfield).

For gallantry near Becordel Becourt on 24th August, 1918. He took out a party of six men to investigate a suspected machine-gun position. In spite of heavy machine-gun fire from the flank he succeeded in making his way to the desired spot, from which he brought back fifteen prisoners. At Carnoy on the 26th August, 1918, he continually organised bombing parties and succeeded in clearing several enemy bombing parties out of some trenches. When the enemy were trying to bomb us out again, he held them up, and then rushing forward, killed four men, dispersing the rest with a captured revolver and machine gun.

1226 Sjt. H. Higgins, M.M., 2nd Bn., R.I. Rif. (Altrincham).

During the operations in the Messines Sector on 6th September, 1918, he was employed as Scout Sergeant, and rendered invaluable service. He maintained communication with the firing line from the commencement until the finish of the battle, and made a very valuable reconnaissance, which enabled it to be decided how to deal with the left flank, that had become exposed to the enemy, who were advancing to get between the advance and the support lines. He led his scouts forward after the battle to ascertain that the enemy had been mopped up between the front and support lines, the ground being a nest of old trenches. He was gassed, but remained at duty.

Ply./1143(S) L./Sjt. A. L. Hill, 1st Bn., R. Mar. (Weaste, Manchester).

On 21st August, 1918, at Logeast Wood, he displayed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a heavy enemy counter-attack. When it was defeated he moved forward with a Lewis gun and did great execution among them as they retreated. Although wounded, he remained at duty until ordered to go and get his wounds dressed.

241672 Pte. J. Hinds, 2/4th Bn., Y. & L. R. (T.F.) (Rotherham).

He distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and dash near Vaulx-Vraucourt on 2nd September, 1918, in the capture of three field guns that were hampering our advance. The enemy offered determined resistance, which was overcome at the point of the bayonet. Private Hinds' courage and devotion to duty in the face of heavy odds were of a very high order.

555 C./S./M. L. U. Hogan, 7th Bn., R. Fus. (Holloway).

Finding that all the officers of his company had become casualties, he took charge of the line, at Thillo village, on 27th August, 1918, which was being checked, and led the men forward with great gallantry and skill in the second attack, which captured the objective. He was seriously wounded immediately afterwards. He displayed great courage and coolness under fire of the heaviest description during a week's hard fighting.

42832 Pte. P. C. Holder, 2nd Bn., Essex R. (London, W.C.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, on the 2nd September, 1918, north of Dury. He and another man were the only two left with a Lewis gun, all the rest being casualties, and much of the ammunition lost. Collecting drums from derelict guns, they worked their way round to a flank of the company, and brought enfilade fire to bear on the enemy, which materially assisted the Infantry advance. During consolidation they pushed ahead and kept down hostile fire, one working the gun and the other collecting ammunition.

325874 Pte. J. Horan, 9th Bn., Durham L.I. (Thornley Colliery, Co. Durham).

At Vaulx Wood, on 2nd September, 1918, he was acting as stretcher-bearer, and attended to the wounded under heavy fire with fine disregard of his own safety. On reaching the objective, finding the flank of the platoon exposed, he took a rifle and, single-handed, attacked a machine gun, dispersing the team and capturing the gun, which he brought into our lines. He then went and brought in a wounded man whom he had observed lying out in the open. His conspicuous gallantry and self-sacrificing devotion to duty were a splendid example to all.

301696 Sjt. (Acting Coy.-Sjt.-Maj.) R. H. Horwood, 10th Bn., Essex R. (Thetford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack near Becourt on the morning of 23rd August, 1918, when, seeing a company on his left held up by a machine-gun nest, he organised a party and rushed it, putting the guns out of action. He gave great

help in reorganising and consolidating after gaining the objective, and kept the men's spirits up by his cheerfulness under fire.

W/3285 Gnr. W. Howells, B/122nd Bde., R.F.A. (Merthyr).

He was wheel driver of an ammunition waggon which came under heavy artillery fire at Fins, on 8th September, 1918. A shell pitched on the leading team, obliterating driver and horses. Though temporarily blinded by the explosion, he kept his presence of mind, and realising that to stop would mean blocking the road, and keeping all the following waggons under shell fire, he managed to keep his horses going until one of them collapsed, injuring him badly. He declined to be relieved and took the remaining horse back to the lines. His gallantry and coolness undoubtedly averted what might have been a situation of great difficulty and severe loss.

31 Coy.-Sjt.-Maj. A. H. Hughes, M.M., 1st Bn., Manch. R. (Warrington). (MESOPOTAMIA).

For marked gallantry and devotion to duty at Tekrit, on 5th November, 1917. He consolidated and reorganised a captured position under heavy fire with resolution and skill. Later, he took a party out to collect much needed ammunition from casualties. His conduct throughout was magnificent.

30497 Pte. F. Hughes, 1/8th Bn., Sco. Rif. (T.F.) (Clydebank).

Near Wulverghem, on the 2nd September, 1918, in company with another man he used a Lewis gun with great effect on an enemy machine gun which was just coming into action, destroying the crew and capturing the gun. He was under a very hot fire at the time, and was severely wounded. Many casualties were prevented by his gallant and rapid action.

16106 A./Sjt. J. J. Hurst, 8th Bn., R. Berks R. (Dover).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on the La Boisselle craters on 24th August, 1918. He tackled a machine-gun post alone, bombed the crew, and captured the gun. His leadership throughout the operation carried his platoon along with him.

200631 L./Sjt. G. W. Hutchins, 8th Bn., R. Berks R. (Reading).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on 24th August, 1918, near La Boisselle, when, suddenly encountering a machine gun, he rushed the garrison at the point of the bayonet. Later on he took out a flank patrol, sending back useful information, and keeping liaison between the forward posts of two Divisions. He was severely wounded in the attack on the crater.

12985 Pte. W. Hynes, 9th Bn., R. Innis Fus. (Moy, Co. Tyrone).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the Dadizule sector on 30th September, 1918. He assisted the A./C.S.M. to drive off a machine gun from a position about 50 yards away, killing two of the crew and wounding several others. He subsequently held on to the post for four hours exposed to machine-gun fire, and showing great determination in warding off two counter-attacks.

242476 Pte. T. D. James, 14th Bn., R.W. Fus. (Aberystwyth).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, at Gouzeacourt, on September 18th, 1918. When his company were consolidating under artillery and machine-gun fire, he went several hundred yards away to a flank, alternately firing his rifle and throwing bombs, and this effectively diverted the enemy fire from his company. He expended all his ammunition and bombs before returning, and by his initiative enabled the consolidation to be carried out with a minimum of casualties.

718254 Cpl. C. W. Jefferson, M.M., 1/23rd Bn., Lond. R. (Bootham, York).

For remarkable gallantry near Happy Valley, Bray-sur-Somme, on 22nd August, 1918. When the advance of his company was checked by a hostile machine-gun post, he volunteered to reconnoitre, and, having located the post, attacked it single-handed, capturing the gun and team. Later in the day he was severely wounded by a shell splinter.

14195 Sjt. C. Jenkerson, 8th Bn., E. Surr. R. (Quebec).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Rancourt on 1st September, 1918, in mopping up a large area of old trenches. He located a machine gun which was causing trouble, and with one man crept up and bombed it, showing such determination that the crew of 12 lost their nerve and surrendered.

2876 Pte. B. Johnston, 1st Bn., R. Lan. R. (Millom).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as battalion stretcher-bearer during operations against Drocourt Queant line on 20th September, 1918. Though he had lost his voice and was suffering severely from continuous exposure to gas, he attended the wounded throughout the day, carrying 30 cases to the R.A.P., a distance of over 4,000 yards in the morning and 2,000 in the afternoon. He continued his work the following day until physically exhausted, his conduct being admirable.

5/22365 L./Sjt. G. Jones, 5th Bn., R. Ir. Fus. (Luton).

On the night of 28th/29th September, 1918, near Auchy-Les-La Bassée, having established a new post, he was attacked from three sides, but by skilful handling of his platoon and the one remaining light machine gun he beat off the enemy with severe losses, and finally materially assisted the re-establishment of the post on his flank, which had been driven back. His conduct was marked with conspicuous gallantry and a determination which was a fine example to all.

1498 L./Cpl. N. Judges, 1st Bn., Manch. R. (Gravesend). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Tekrit on 5th November, 1917. As battalion signaller he kept up communication at a critical time, under heavy fire, for several hours. Although wounded, he continued at his post until his relief arrived. He has shown marked zeal and disregard of danger during all actions in which the battalion has been engaged.

15998 Pte. A. King, 8th Bn., E. Surr. R. (Southminster).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Albert on 22nd August, 1918, during the mopping up of the town, when a group of our men were isolated and under heavy shell fire and bombing from a large party of the enemy. He rushed forward with a Lewis gun, and brought such effective fire to bear at close range that they promptly surrendered. Later he assisted the advance of his platoon by pushing well forward on the flank and enfilading the enemy.

15455 Pte. J. Kingston, 2nd Bn., R. W. Kent R. (Sittingbourne). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack at Ramadi on 28th September, 1917. Although badly bruised by a shell earlier in the action and in considerable pain, he dressed many wounded men himself under heavy fire in the open and acted as stretcher-bearer and water-carrier. His personal courage was most marked.

325546 Sjt. H. G. Kirby, M.M., 1/1st Camb. R. (T.F.) (Cambridge).

On the morning of the 18th August, 1918, W. of Moislancourt he rushed single-handed an enemy machine-gun position, killed two of the team, and captured the gun and four prisoners, his initiative preventing many casualties to his platoon. Although wounded, he continued to lead his men with utter disregard for his personal safety, and inflicted severe losses on the enemy until again severely wounded. He showed a splendid example to all ranks under most trying and difficult circumstances.

25521 Cpl. J. R. Kliber, 2nd Bn., W. Rid. R. (East Ham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 30th August, 1918, south of Arras Cambrai road. He was one of a party sent to dispose of an enemy strong post, which they succeeded in occupying, but shortly after were driven out again. Finding that a wounded man had been left behind, he crawled out through machine-gun and snipers' fire and carried him in.

TZ/8405 Ldg./Sea. F. C. Langley, Anson Bn., R.N.V.R., attd. 188th L.T.M. Bty. (Sheffield).

He displayed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an advance at Loupart Wood on 25th/26th August, 1918, bringing the mortars of which he was in charge into action at a most opportune moment when the infantry were being held up by heavy machine-gun fire. He carried out skilful and daring reconnaissances in forward areas to select places from which to bring his guns into action. Throughout the operations his skill and devotion to duty were worthy of very high praise.

L/13252 C./S./M. R. Langley, 9th Bn., R.F. (Bow).

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack on 22nd August, 1918, S. of Meaulte. The leading troops lost direction in the smoke and mist, and he immediately went up from his position with Coy. H.Q., reorganised the formation, and personally led the attack on the right flank. While leading these troops he was badly wounded in the thigh and back, but kept on till the objective was reached, when he collapsed from loss of blood.

850065 B./S./M. W. A. Lawrence, 215th Bde., R.F.A. (Gosport). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Ramadi on 28/29th September, 1917. He accompanied his battery commander on a reconnaissance under heavy fire. Later, he gave useful information from an observation ladder which was being heavily shelled. He had done consistently well during previous operations.

240829 C.S.M. (A./R.S.M.) W. H. Ledger, M.C., 2/4th Bn., York L.I. (T.F.) (Pontefract).

For conspicuous gallantry and resource at Havrincourt, on 12th September, 1918. This W.O. was with a carrying party, when the enemy put down a heavy barrage and counter-attacked. He at once took up a position, and although most of the men had not been in action before, he so encouraged and inspired them that in spite of intense shell fire they withstood their ground and repelled the attack. On subsequent occasions he displayed great courage and efficiency in organising carrying parties and leading them to the front line.

29161 Sjt. E. Lee, M.M., 2nd Bn., R.W. Fus. (Oldham).

On the 13th September, 1918, near Gouzeaucourt, after a very heavy bombardment which caused several casualties to our men, some of the enemy broke through on the flank. This N.C.O., with a rapid grasp of the situation, got a Lewis gun and a section of men into position and expelled the enemy, thus saving an awkward situation at a decisive moment. His gallantry and leadership were worthy of high praise.

57625 Cpl. S. J. J. Leech, 2nd Bn. Lan. Fus. (S. Hackney).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations against the Drocourt-Queant line on 23rd September, 1918. He was corporal of a company which had lost all its officers except one young officer who had just arrived in the country. When the A./C.S.M. and other sergeants became casualties also, he was of the greatest assistance to his officers in re-organising and controlling the company. His judgment and coolness were a great asset.

250888 Cpl. R. Leigh, 1/10th Bn., Manch. R. (T.F.) (Romilly).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Villers Plorrich on the morning of 28th September, 1918, when he volunteered to go out alone and get in touch with the troops on the right. In the darkness he met and was captured by six of the enemy, but succeeded in escaping with his rifle and completed his mission, returning with valuable information.

66665 A./Sjt. A. G. Littlefair, 62nd Bn., M.G. Corps (Kirkham).

For conspicuous gallantry and determination at Havrincourt on 12th September, 1918, when, in spite of the hostile barrage, he kept his guns in action and inflicted severe loss on the enemy. The same day the enemy penetrated the village, compelling the infantry to fall back, thus leaving his guns in an exposed position. Nevertheless, he held on and maintained his ground until the line was re-established.

42112 Sjt. T. C. Manning, 1st Bn., S.W. Bord. (Hawbak Stapley).

On 15th September, 1918, he was in command of his platoon when the battalion attacked and captured Maissemy. During the whole action he was conspicuous for his gallantry and devotion to duty, and led his men with great ability, and at all times set them a fine example of determination and gallantry. When his platoon was held up by machine-gun fire this N.C.O., together with a few riflemen, rushed the position, capturing seven men and the machine gun. On another occasion he dealt with a similar situation in the same manner.

10750 Sjt. A. F. Mansfield, 2nd Bn., Essex R. (Brentwood).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 20th September, 1918, north of Dury. In an attack on an important trench line he led his men against a machine-gun post which was threatening to stop the advance, and working round the flank by bombing put the gun out of action. He then rushed the post and captured 28 prisoners. He showed most praiseworthy initiative.

T.Z./2118 C.P.O., James Marchant, M.M., Hood Bn., R.N.V.R. (Ushaw Moor.)

When the advance of the company was held up by severe machine-gun fire at Achiet-le-Petit, on 21st August, 1918, he displayed great gallantry and initiative in rushing the machine gun and capturing the crew. Later on while bombing another machine gun he was severely wounded, but declined to leave his men until he fell exhausted by loss of blood, and had to be carried from the field of battle. He set a splendid example to his men.

12313 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) J. Martin, 1/5th Bn., S. Lanc. R., T.F. (Warrington).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near La Bassée on the 20th September, 1918. When the enemy attempted to work round the right flank of his company, this N.C.O. led two sections from a pill-box they were holding to a position commanding the approaches from the right flank. This movement was carried out under heavy fire, several of his men being killed or wounded. Handling a Lewis gun with great skill, he inflicted great loss on the enemy and frustrated the attempt to outflank his company. On several occasions he has carried out cool and daring reconnoissances.

275822 Sjt. T. F. Mather, 1/7th Bn., Manch. R., (T.F.) (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 27th September, 1918, S.E. of Havrincourt, in leading assaults on machine-gun nests, which were outflanking his company. He killed several of the enemy and took many prisoners, subsequently, when his officer was wounded, taking command of and leading two platoons. He set a fine example in face of extreme difficulties and intense machine-gun and rifle fire.

300494 C.S.I.M. N. McAlister, 2/8th Bn., A. and S. Highrs. (T.F.), att'd. 2nd Bn. (Campbeltown).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when the enemy counter-attacked our newly-won position near Villers-Guislain on

23rd September, 1918. Collecting as many men as he could, he rushed the threatened point, killing several of the enemy, but was forced to withdraw owing to weight of numbers. He and an officer held on to a block, checking the enemy by bombing, and he subsequently was the first in a counter-attack which drove them out.

19613 Sjt. T. McBurney, 12th Bn., R. Ir. Rif. (Randalstown.)

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership near Dadizule on 30th September, 1918. He attacked a farm held by machine guns with his platoon, inflicting many casualties and capturing 25 prisoners and a machine gun. Later he held the farm against a strong counter-attack after both his flanks were driven in.

100003 Sjt. J. McCaffery, 10th Bn., Notts. and Derby R. (Rotherham.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack on Gauche Wood, on 18th September, 1918, when his platoon officer was wounded. He led his platoon which was held up in front by devastating machine-gun fire round by the right flank, and, charging the enemy, accounted for four himself with the bayonet. He then entered a deep dug-out alone, and brought out no less than 60 of the enemy. By fine leadership and fighting spirit, he inspired his platoon at every phase of the attack.

15244 Sjt. R. McCullough, 2nd Bn., R.I.Rif. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry in action during the operations in the Messines sector on the 6th September, 1918. His platoon advanced to within about thirty yards of an enemy machine-gun post, when the machine gun suddenly opened fire upon them. He calmly stood up, gave his "Rapid Fire" orders, killing two of the enemy and causing the remainder to surrender. He was severely wounded in the performance of his duty.

34180 Sjt. G. McGill, 1st Bn., R. War. R. (Edinburgh).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 30th August, 1918. During the attack on St. Servins Farm ridge, when all his officers had become casualties, he took charge of his platoon and the men of another platoon and led them to their second objective. His initiative and resource when establishing the line and getting in touch with the unit on his flank were of the highest order.

265879 Cpl. T. McGillan, 1/4th Bn., North'd Fus. (Newcastle-on-Tyne).

On the 24th of August, 1918, south of Miraumont, when all the officers and senior non-commissioned officers had become casualties, he took command of the company, which he led forward to the objective and captured. He consolidated the position and reorganised the company and held on till relieved. He behaved with great gallantry and ability in very severe fighting.

275355 C./S./M. P. S. McHugh, M.M., 1/7th Bn., Man. R. (T.F.) (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 27th September, 1918, S.E. of Havrincourt. When his company commander

had been killed and his platoon officers wounded, he led the company forward to its objective under the most stubborn enemy machine-gun and rifle fire. He showed a fine example of courage and leadership.

9357 Sjt. H. McIver, 2nd Bn., A. & S. Highrs. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and skilful handling of his platoon on the night of 22nd September, 1918, near Villers Guislain. He reached his objective with only six men left, attacking with such dash that twenty of the enemy surrendered to him. After consolidating, he dispersed a counter-attack with rifle grenades. He then rallied the next platoon, who had lost their officer, showing high qualities of leadership, and helping them to bomb their way to their objective.

16591 C./S./M. D. McLeod, 1st Bn., Sea. Highrs. (Glasgow). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack at Tekrit on 5th November, 1917. He took command of his platoon after his officer was wounded. Although wounded in the head himself, he led his platoon to the assault, and, after the first and second enemy lines had been taken, was the first to volunteer to advance to the third line. He was ordered to have his wound dressed, and returned to duty immediately afterwards. He behaved splendidly.

39918 Bombr. (A/Cpl.) A. McNaughton, M.M., D/15th Bde., R.F.A. (Dundee).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the night of 27th September, 1918, near Trescault. His battery was firing a two hours' barrage and sustained many casualties under a heavy bombardment, one of the ammunition dumps being ignited. He rushed to it and put out the fire unaided, while the charges were blazing and most of the shells were fused. After serving his gun for the rest of the barrage, he helped to attend to and remove the wounded, and later put out a fire at another ammunition dump. His initiative was of the highest order.

705 C./S./M. A. McQueen, M.M., 9th Bn. R. Fus. (Sevenoaks).

For conspicuous gallantry during an attack south of Meaulte on the 22nd August, 1918. The leading wave of his company were held up by a strong point. Immediately grasping the situation, he rushed up from company headquarters, quickly organised a small party, and personally led the charge at the strong point. He personally killed five of the enemy and took the remaining twelve men and two machine-guns prisoners, thus saving many casualties. He did splendid work.

200279 L./Cpl. T. McQuillan, 2nd Bn., Tank Corps (Kilmarnock).

On 8th and 9th August, east of Amiens, he displayed great courage and skill as a tank driver, destroying four machine guns and a trench mortar by driving over them, and enabling his gunners to engage other important targets. Having been working and fighting his tank for thirty-six hours, he again went into action east of Harbonnieres, and, though his tank was almost completely crippled by severe direct hits, he continued successfully to search the ground and eventually brought it

back, a distance of three miles, to the rallying point. His endurance and devotion to duty were worthy of very high praise.

45275 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) G. McVittie, M.M., 13th Bn., Y./L. Regt. (Hebburn).

In an attack, west of Armentieres, on the 18th September, 1918, he was in charge of half a platoon detailed for mopping up a farm and enclosure. He was wounded when leaving the assembly trench, but he continued throughout the attack to lead his party with splendid courage and determination. The farm to be mopped up was strongly held and much opposition met with, and his magnificent example in personally killing nine of the enemy with his bayonet warmed up his men to their work, with the result that it was very thoroughly done, and included twenty prisoners taken. Forty enemy dead were counted within the farm enclosure. Although wounded, he remained with his men until relieved sixteen hours later.

3264 Sjt. A. G. Meads, 4th Bn., Rif. Bde. (Birmingham). (SALONIKA.)

For conspicuous gallantry in command of a portion of a carrying party during an attack on La-Rouche-Noire on 1st September, 1918. He led his party through enemy barrage and heavily shelled area for four journeys to the captured position, occupying a period of seven hours. Previously, on patrol work, he had shown great dash and courage in bombing enemy out of houses; and previously, again, had gone out to search for a wounded man close to the enemy lines. He has consistently set a splendid example of fearless devotion to duty.

200474 Sjt. G. Meiklejohn, 1/5th Bn., H.L.I. (T.F.) (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of a double platoon during a night bombardment at Moeuvres on the 17th September, 1918. He kept the men under cover and visited the sentries in the trench and shell-holes, keeping them steady. When the troops on his right began to give way, he and another N.C.O. collected all unwounded stragglers and stopped the retirement. The next afternoon, when the advanced post was bombed out, he and one man held on for twenty minutes, unsupported, until reinforcements came up. That night he again visited his posts under heavy fire, inspiring the sentries to hold on until the posts were relieved.

91587 Sjt. (A./C./S./M.) A. J. Mitchell, 8th Bn., Tank Corps (Twickenham).

On 8th August, 1918, in the attack on Morcourt he commanded a Tank with conspicuous skill and initiative, overcoming many strong points. On entering the village he opened rapid fire with his 6-pounder guns and completely demoralised the enemy, who surrendered at once. The infantry company he was covering reached its final objective without casualty largely owing to his efficient action. His courage and determination were worthy of high praise.

200222 Sjt. H. Mitchell, 1/4th Bn., Dorset R. (Sherborne). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to

duty at Ramadi, on 28th September, 1917. During a long and exhausting battle he worked unceasingly, keeping his men alert and directing their fire at a critical time. On the following day he went out in charge of a patrol and sent back valuable information of the enemy's movements.

19263 L./Cpl. R. Mitchell, 15th Bn., Durh. L.I. (Felling-on-Tyne).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 19th September, 1918, near Villers Guislain. Locating an enemy machine gun which was inflicting casualties, he collected some bombs and rushed it single-handed in broad daylight, killing six men and capturing the gun. He received several wounds in this daring action, but showed utter indifference to danger.

13367 Pte. N. Morrison, 7/8th Bn., K.O.S.B. (Pollokshaws).

This man displayed conspicuous gallantry in a raid on the enemy's trenches south of Hulluch on the 17th September, 1918, in bringing the Lewis gun of which he was No. 1 into action under a withering machine-gun fire. He reduced the fire of two enemy machine guns and kept firing until all his magazines were empty, notwithstanding the fact that he was so exposed and that the radiator casing of his Lewis gun was cut to shreds by hostile fire. By this time troops in front of this man had withdrawn and in getting back he himself was attacked by two or three of the enemy. One tried to rush him, but he struck him in the chest with the end of his Lewis gun and as the other enemy appeared to be without ammunition and reluctant to press him further, he withdrew to our lines.

2904 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) G. Mossop, M.M., 14th Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (Birmingham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Cambrai from 18th to 30th September, 1918. In charge of bearers he went up time after time by day and night to the R.A.P.s. through heavy shell fire. He was indefatigable in collecting bearers from all sources, bringing up ambulances in pitch darkness and rain across open country and in doing all that was humanly possible to alleviate the sufferings and ensure the speedy evacuation of the wounded.

42506 Pte. (A./Cpl.) H. E. Murphy, 2nd Bn., Essex R. (Haslemere).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 2nd September, 1918, north of Dury. In an attack on an important trench line, he and a few men got separated from the company, and found themselves some way in advance of the flank of the line, when they came against a machine gun in action. Working round, he attacked it from the rear and put it out of action by bombing. He afterwards did good work in mopping up and throughout showed fine initiative.

305539 Pte. H. L. Neal, 8th Bn., Tank Corps (Weybridge).

During the night of 10th-11th August, 1918, in the attack on Proyart, when his officer was killed, he took charge of the tank, and though it was several times penetrated by armour-piercing bullets and all the crew but one were wounded, he served his guns with good effect

and covered the retiring infantry for an hour and a-half, and finally brought his tank back safely, after being in action six hours and being himself several times wounded by splinters. His courage and initiative throughout the action were a splendid example.

14478 Sjt. A. Nesbitt, M.M., 9th Bn., R. Innis Fus. (Londonderry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the Dadizeele section on 30th September, 1918. When the party on his right were driven back, he rushed forward a section and occupied a post within fifty yards of a machine gun. He then assaulted the machine-gun crew, killing two of the crew and driving the remainder away. The post commanded a hill which the enemy attempted to occupy, but were driven back by his fire, and he held on for the rest of the day.

235834 Pte. (A./L.-Cpl.) J. Newton, 2/4th Bn., York. L.I. (T.F.) (Mickerhurst).

In a very precarious situation at Vaulx-Vraucourt, on 2nd September, 1918, and under a fire of a particularly intense description he and another man volunteered to get into communication with troops on the flank. Private Newton got through, though he stopped to bind up the injuries of his comrade, who was wounded, and the information he was able to give enabled the troops to advance, and a very difficult position was relieved. His gallantry and devotion to duty were of a very fine order.

495412 Sjt. W. A. Nowers, M.M. (Canterbury), and 495422 Cpl. (A./L.-Sjt.) L. G. Craft, M.M., 2/2nd (H.C.) Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (T.F.) (Folkestone).

While acting as stretcher serjeants near Maricourt from 24th August to 3rd September, 1918, these N.C.O.'s displayed great energy and courage, carrying on their work without any relief. They went forward on the 24th August to Happy Valley, and cleared many wounded under intense shell fire, several men being hit at the time. Again under heavy shell fire they carried in three seriously wounded men, who could not be got at for twenty-four hours on account of the shelling. They both set a magnificent example throughout.

55 2nd Cpl. J. Ornsby, India Unattd. List (15th Divl. Sig. Coy.). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Khan-Bahdadi, on 26th March, 1918. He displayed great coolness and resource in leading his cable wagon under heavy shell fire, thereby maintaining communication with the brigade at a critical time.

31423 Bty. Q.M.S. P. C. Osborne, 19th Bty., R.F.A. (Malden). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Tekrit, on 5th November, 1917. Although shaken by the first shell bursting under his horse, he on three occasions manœuvred the wagon line out of the shelled areas, and having got them clear returned and organised the removal of the wounded.

376555 L./Cpl. E. Owen, 1/10th Bn., Manch. R. (T.F.) (Oldham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations on 27th and 28th

September, 1918, E. of Trescault, when his brilliant leading of his section, enabled his platoon to capture two field guns and their crews.

5966 Sjt. C. Oxley, 1st Bn., Essex R. (S. Tottenham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Trescault, on 18th September, 1918. This N.C.O., in charge of a platoon, captured and consolidated a trench. The enemy made determined attempts to bomb their way back, but collecting a supply of bombs he not only kept them out of range, but made a further advance. He then organised rifle grenade fire, and erected an efficient block despite enemy bombs and trench mortar fire. Although attacked on both sides he and his platoon held on to all they had gained, largely owing to his determined example.

200041 Sjt. G. J. Parker, M.M., 8th Bn., Linc. R. (Grantham).

This N.C.O.'s platoon was in a very important point in the line near Havrincourt, on 10th September, 1918, and after a heavy bombardment he noticed a considerable body of the enemy advancing to attack his line. He went at once to all the posts encouraging the men and giving necessary orders, and eventually beat off the enemy, who retired, leaving many dead. His energy and disregard of danger had a very marked effect on his men.

Ply./13747 Sjt. A. Paterson, 1st Bn., R.Mar. (Pittsburg, U.S.A.).

On 21st August, 1918, at Logeast Wood, when all his company officers had been killed or wounded he took command of the company, and though wounded himself he continued to lead them forward. He was wounded a second time and again a third time, but declined to leave his men until the objective was taken and consolidated. He retired to have his wounds dressed only on being ordered to do so. He showed a particularly fine example of determined gallantry and devotion to duty.

200597 Sjt. C. Payne, 7th Bn., E. Kent R. (Birchington).

For conspicuous gallantry near Albert. Owing to officer casualties, he took command of two platoons. He reorganised the party under intense machine-gun fire and established a line, although his flank was not supported. Throughout the day and night of 22nd/23rd August, 1918, this N.C.O. displayed fine leadership and inspired the men with confidence.

97744 Gnr. J. Pennington, 244th Sge. Bty., R.G.A. (St. Helens).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Metz, on the 18th September, 1918. During an intense bombardment the officer and all the N.C.O.s of his gun detachment being wounded, he took charge and got them away into safety. He then returned and, organising a detachment, resumed firing in spite of the heavy hostile shelling. His coolness and initiative in assuming responsibility were of a high order.

38208 Pte. A. Peters, 5th Bn., York L.I. (T.F.) (Edinburgh).

He volunteered to go and bring in an enemy machine gun which was lying in the open, near Vaulx-Vraucourt, on the 3rd September, 1918, under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire. He made two journeys and brought in the gun and ammunition, and was at once effectively used against the enemy, who came massing for a counter-attack, which was broken up. His gallant act was witnessed and was an admirable example to many.

45846 Rfn. C. G. Pitt, 12th Bn., R. Ir. Rif. (Weston-super-Mare).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Dadizeele on 1st October, 1918. When his Lewis-gun section became casualties, he took the gun by himself into the open, and silenced an enemy machine gun, inflicting many casualties. Owing to his energy all the wounded were brought in.

57911 Pte. S. Powner, 2/4th Bn., Y. & L. R. (T.F.) (Blackburn).

When only he and his section leader escaped becoming casualties, from the effect of the heavy barrage by the enemy on their trench, near Vaulx-Vraucourt, on the 2nd September, 1918, they were surrounded and made prisoners. A shell burst among the group, disorganising the escort. Private Powner, who had been knocked down by the explosion, dashed back with great courage and presence of mind, and secured a Lewis gun, which he turned on the enemy with great effect, and fought his way back to his company, where he carried on the fight with fine gallantry and determination.

48845 Dvr. J. R. Pratten, 9th Bde., R.F.A. (Custom House). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Tekrit, on the 5th November, 1917. When the lead and centre mules, and all the drivers of a wagon team had been wounded, he released the wounded animals under shell fire, mounted the wheel animals, and took the wagon out of the shelled area.

R/6132 A/B. E. Prentice, Drake Bn., R.N.V.R. (Northampton).

On the 21st August, 1918, at Logeast Wood, he behaved with conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when acting as Company Commander's runner, making his way through thick fog, regardless of heavy shelling from advanced positions to Battalion Headquarters and maintaining communications. On one occasion he had to fight his way through parties of the enemy who were still resisting. Throughout the operations he worked with untiring energy and rendered valuable service under very difficult conditions.

29407 Sjt. E. S. Price, M.M., 33rd Div. Sig. Coy., R.E. (W. Croydon).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During three days' operations near Epehy, 20th/22nd September, 1918, he was in charge of the linesmen's party for laying and repairing telephone lines between Brigade and Battalion Headquarters. The wires were continually broken by shell fire, and it was mainly due to his untiring efforts that they were maintained practically uninterrupted. He was

badly stunned, and afterwards slightly wounded, but remained at duty until the Brigade was relieved.

WZ/424 C./P.O. G. Prowse, Drake Bn., R.N.V.R. (Landore).

On 21st August, 1918, at Logeast Wood, he led his men with great gallantry against a machine gun that was holding up the advance of the flank of his company, and in spite of difficulties of heavy mist he captured it, disposing of the crew. On a subsequent occasion he held a position against repeated counter attacks which were supported by an intense bombardment for twenty-four hours. His courage, leadership, and cheerful disposition had an invaluable effect on his men.

8556 Sjt. H. F. Quee, 2nd Bn., Ir. Rif (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership during operations in the Messines sector on the 6th September, 1918. He was Acting Company Serjeant-Major in command of company Headquarters during the advance. While advancing he noticed an enemy machine gun. He at once rushed forward, killed one of the team, and the rest surrendered. This act of gallantry undoubtedly saved many casualties and inspired the men around him to continue the advance without a check.

G/60746 Sjt. A. C. Randall, 9th Bn., R. Fus. (New Cross).

On 8th August, 1918, south-east of Morlan-court, when all the officers with the assaulting wave of which Serjeant Randall formed part had become casualties he took command of the line and led them with great gallantry and dash to the objective, which was captured. He outflanked and bombed a machine gun that at one point seemed likely to impede the advance. His courage and initiative were most marked.

10613 Pte. T. Randerson, 1st Bn., E. Yorks. R. (Hull).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the morning of 18th September, 1918, during the attack south of Villers-Guislain. Seeing a horse tethered near a trench, he mounted it, and rode forward to an enemy battery which was limbering up, capturing a number of prisoners. His dashing act inspired the rest of the company, who rushed forward and captured the guns.

G/84244 Pte. J. L. Ransom, 2/2nd Bn., Lond. R. (Bridgnorth).

For great courage at Peizières on 10th September, 1918. This N.C.O. pushed forward with ten men and two Lewis guns, and under intense machine-gun fire established an isolated post on the far side of the village, where he put out of action two hostile machine guns and several snipers. After five hours, when his ammunition was spent and he was almost surrounded, he withdrew to Tottenham Post.

12178 Sjt. W. Reed, 2nd Bn., W. Rid. R. (Huddersfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations east of Arras, from 30th August to 1st September, 1918. When his officer and senior N.C.O. had become casualties he took command of as many men

of his company as he could collect, led them forward, gained the position, and personally superintended the consolidation under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire, after which he went out to gain touch with the flank. Throughout three days' fighting his leadership and example kept the men steady.

25156 Pte. W. McM. Reid, 7/8th Bn., K.O.S.B. (Fauldhuse).

Participating on the 17th September, 1918, in a daylight raid south of Hulluch, which penetrated 900 yards into the German lines, he displayed courage of the highest order in bringing his Lewis gun into action against enemy machine guns. He inflicted casualties on the teams, and so reduced the fire of the guns that the raiding party were able to partly reach their objective. When they withdrew he stayed behind and covered their withdrawal. In doing this he was almost cut off by the enemy, and but for putting up a determined resistance he would have been captured. After he had fired his last round and was going back three or four enemy closed in on him. He met the first with such a smashing blow that the others hung back. The nonchalant manner in which he crossed the last stretch of No Man's Land provoked much admiration. Undoubtedly during the raid he saved his comrades many casualties.

121759 L./Cpl. C. Rennalls, 62nd Bn., M.G. Corps (Montclair, Jamaica).

For conspicuous gallantry on 15th September, 1918, at Havrincourt. This N.C.O. kept his guns in action in spite of very heavy shell fire. When the enemy worked round his position and it became impossible for him to use his guns he engaged the enemy at close range with both rifle and revolvers, killing several, including a battalion commander.

29257 Sjt. R. Reynolds, M.M., 10th Bn., Essex R. (Gt. Chesterford).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack near Becourt on the morning of 23rd August, 1918. After the line was established on its objective he took forward a fighting patrol, and in spite of heavy machine-gun fire reached the eastern edge of the wood, about 1,000 yards in front of the line, and established a post there. He showed a fine example to his men in his complete disregard for danger.

9684 Sjt. A. W. Ricks, 14th Bn., Welsh R. (Cardiff).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Gouzecourt, on 18th September, 1918. He led the first two waves of his company in an attack on a village, overcoming all resistance until held up by an enemy machine-gun post and all his Lewis gunners became casualties. He at once took two Lewis guns and worked them single-handed, firing each gun alternately to prevent heating, till the enemy post was silenced by his continuous stream of fire. His skill and resource were an example to all.

20712 C.Q.M.S. (A./C.S.M.) J. Roberts, 14th Bn., R.W. Fus. (Dolgelly).

At Bazentin-le-Grand on 26th August, 1918, he was A./C.S.M. of his company. An isolated machine gun was causing great trouble and

delaying the advance. Seeing this, he organised a storming party, which he led in a rush on the gun. He succeeded in killing and capturing the gun team, and captured the gun. His prompt action and skilful leadership saved many lives and allowed the advance to be continued. He showed absolute disregard of danger.

9786 Pte. A. Robinson, 1/5th Bn., Bord. R. (T.F.) (Earby).

At Brie near Peronne, on 5th September, 1918, he displayed conspicuous gallantry and dash in rushing a machine gun which was enfilading his company and causing many casualties. He bombed the crew and forced them to surrender, and then working along the trench drove another gun team into a dug-out and bombed them until they surrendered.

G/92703 Pte. J. Rose, 2/2nd Bn., Lond. R. (Sheffield).

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in an attack near Bronfay Farm, 25th August, 1918. This man reorganised his platoon after the Platoon Officer and N.C.O. had become casualties. He pressed forward through machine-gun fire and captured the objective, where he organised and consolidated.

2186 Sjt. A. H. Koser, 8th Bn., E. Surr. R. (Dunstable).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action at Albert on 22nd August, 1918, when he led his platoon in mopping-up operations with great success. Later on, when a unit on their flank was endeavouring to form up under harassing fire, he took out a fighting patrol on his own initiative and drove the enemy back.

201807 Cpl. D. Ross, 2nd Bn., Sea. Highrs. (Fearn).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, on 31st August, 1918. In a night attack on St. Servins Farm, he personally accounted for six men. Two days later in protecting the flank of another battalion he led his section 200 yards up a trench full of the enemy, and secured the flank by his efforts. His leadership and control of fire of his men were of great value.

240255 L./S. R. Rule, M.M., 7th Bn. (now Depôt, Bord. R. (Whitehaven)).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Gauck Wood, on 18th September, 1918. During an overwhelming enemy counter-attack, this N.C.O. rallied his men, who were being pressed back, and although himself wounded led forward a bombing attack, which, thanks to his energetic leadership, broke up the enemy, and forced them to hastily retire.

11577 Pte. M. Ryan, 1st Bn., S. W. Bord. (Dowlais).

During the attack on Maissemy on September 15th, 1918, he showed exceptional courage and initiative throughout the whole operation. When the first wave was close up to the village waiting for the barrage to lift an enemy machine gun was causing casualties to his platoon. He took a Lewis gun from one of his men and advanced into the barrage and engaged the enemy gun at about 70 yards, killing the gunner, knocking out the gun, and

wounding two of the team. He then went forward with his rifle and bayonet, took the remainder of the gun team prisoner, and captured the gun. His outstanding pluck and the gallant way in which he led his section had a most inspiring influence on all ranks.

7940 Sjt. P. J. Ryan, 11th Bn., R. Fus. (Marylebone).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the crossing of the Ancre on the early morning of 22nd August, 1918, when two platoons of the company of which he was A/C.S.M. were held up in the marshes, he went back under intense machine-gun fire, reorganised them, and guided them by the only path by which it was possible to advance. Throughout six days' fighting he showed great coolness and enterprise.

201253 Sjt. C. Samways, 24th Bn., Hamps. R. (T.F.) (Botley).

For conspicuous gallantry and dash at Havrincourt on 12th September, 1918. When all the officers of his company became casualties he took command, and in spite of heavy fire reached the eastern side of the village. Here, though fully exposed to machine-gun fire, he went from post to post and carried out the reorganisation. In the evening he showed the greatest courage during the strong hostile counter-attack.

10913 Pte. J. Schlencker, M.M., 4th Bn., Middx. R. (High Barnet).

On the 9th/10th/11th September, 1918, in Havrincourt Wood. Under very heavy fire of all descriptions he attended to wounded men and dressed their injuries during these days' hard fighting, working with a gallantry and self-sacrificing devotion to duty that was a splendid example to all.

23745 L/Cpl. W. Scott, 9th Bn., R. Innis. Fus. (Belfast).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the Dadizeele sector on 30th September, 1918. He assisted the A/C.S.M. to drive off a machine-gun from a commanding ridge and held the post with a serjeant and one man for four hours, assisting to drive off a counter-attack. He showed conspicuous courage in both attacks.

34628 Cpl. H. Scottow, M.M., 2/4th Bn., W. Rid. R. (T.F.), (Sunderland).

For conspicuous gallantry in operations before Havrincourt between 12th and 15th September, 1918. His N.C.O. entered a position of the Hindenburg line with his section and captured two machine-guns. He established a post and held it for two days, although the post on his left withdrew. He refused to leave his position, as the flank would have become endangered.

8817 C/S./M. E. Scruton, 2nd Bn., York L. I. (Redness, near Goole).

During the advance on Trefcon, near Peronne, on 7th September, 1918, his company was held up by heavy machine-gun fire. He at once took half a Lewis-gun section, and moving to a flank engaged the enemy with great effect, two guns being captured, though the crews retired before they could be made prisoners. The advance then proceeded, Serjt.-Major Scruton with his men reaching the objective well ahead of the

company. His conduct throughout the operations was most gallant and full of enterprise and determination.

200305 Sjt. W. C. Shadwell, 2/4th Bn, Hamp. R. (T.F.) (Basingstoke).

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Havrincourt on 12th September, 1918, when he took command of his platoon after its commander had been killed, and continued the advance under a heavy barrage. He led a small party against a strong point, and with splendid dash captured the gun, killing or taking prisoners all the team.

63249 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) R. Shaw, 2/4th Bn., York. L.I. (T.F.) (Oldham).

During an attack east of Vaulx-Vraucourt on 2nd September, 1918, his platoon commander was wounded early in the advance. Corporal Shaw took command of the platoon, and though wounded himself he led the men forward with fine gallantry and endurance until the objective, a position of the greatest importance, had been won. He gave in only when the consolidation was completed, when he was exhausted by loss of blood. His splendid example was worthy of great praise.

240055 Sjt. M. Shelton, 1/5th Bn., R.W. Surr. R. (T.F.) (Holmwood).

(MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Ramadi on 28th/29th September, 1917. As transport serjeant he brought up ammunition and water to the troops under heavy fire. His conduct in action has at all times been of a high order.

M.2/193613 Pte. S. Shepherd, 729 Coy., R.A.S.C. (M.T.) (Chester). (MESOPOTAMIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Ramadi on 28th September, 1917. He carried water to the front-line trenches under heavy fire. His conduct under trying circumstances throughout the operations was admirable.

651329 Serjt. H. A. Silvester, M.M., 1/21st Bn., Lond. R. (W. Norwood).

When our flank in a captured trench near the Bray Albert road on the 4th August, 1918, was temporarily driven back and the men were shaken by the intense shelling to which they were subjected, he rallied them and formed a strong point at the threatened spot. His gallant personal example enabled us at a critical moment to maintain our gains. Throughout that day and the next he was indefatigable in his efforts, disregarding all personal danger and assuming every kind of responsibility with splendid initiative.

S./43130 L/Cpl. V. Sitch, 2nd Bn., A. and S. Highrs. (Norfolk).

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative on the night of 23rd September, 1918. When his platoon had got into the enemy's trench he went down it with one man, capturing 17 prisoners and killing and wounding others, after which he assisted in consolidating the position, quite regardless of the enemy's fire.

11366 Pte. C. Slack, M.M., 10th Bn., Notts and Derby R. (Chesterfield).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Gauche Wood on 18th September,

1918. While in charge of a signal station during a counter-attack by the enemy, he saw that a platoon, having lost both its officers and serjeant, was in a living way. He at once rushed across the open and took command, rallying them and organising a bombing squad to form a block in the trench, first checked, and then drove the enemy back some distance. Two machine guns were captured, and his prompt initiative in a critical situation was of the utmost service.

301064 Pte. H. Smith, 1/8th Bn., Manch. R. (T.F.) (Manchester).

For gallantry and devotion to duty on 30th August, 1918, west of Rieneourt. Noticing that all the members of a Lewis gun team in the most advanced position had become casualties, and the gun in danger of falling into the hands of the enemy, with the utmost disregard of his own safety he advanced through a heavy artillery barrage and intense machine-gun fire, and succeeded in bringing in the gun. He afterwards returned, still under very heavy fire, and brought in the wounded Lewis gunners. His courage and devotion to duty throughout the operations set a fine example to all ranks.

8603 Cpl. J. Smith, 1/7th Bn., Ches. R. (T.F.) (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the advance on Kemmel the 4th and 5th September, 1918. He led his platoon forward about 1,000 yards through difficult country full of machine guns and snipers, and remained in command for eight hours after he was wounded, superintending the consolidation of the line. His example of endurance inspired his men.

285016 Cpl. T. A. Smith, M.M., 1st Bn., Herts. R. (Diss).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty south-east of Havrincourt on 18th September 1918. When the enemy attacked after a heavy barrage lasting more than an hour, he organised a strong point in a forward crater, and collecting some men from advanced posts, held on for three hours, although the enemy had broken through on both flanks and penetrated a depth of 500 yards. He then crawled back 300 yards to Company Headquarters, and returned with ammunition. His dogged determination in holding on to his post was instrumental in the failure of the attack.

3783 Sjt. W. B. Smith, M.M., 1st Bn., Notts. and Derby. R. (Nottingham).

He displayed great gallantry and prowess of leadership in command of his platoon in a successful raid on the enemy's trenches in Oppy Wood on 7th September, 1918, when prisoners and machine guns were captured and many dugouts destroyed. His example to his men was one of conspicuous courage and initiative.

4426 Sjt. H. Snedker, 9th Bn., R. Fus. (Northampton).

For conspicuous gallantry. During an attack on Hardecourt and the Maltz Horn Farm Ridge on 2th August, 1918, owing to many casualties amongst officers he had to take command of two platoons. These he led with great skill and courage, in spite of heavy opposition from machine guns and shell fire. On reaching the objective the remaining officer in his com-

pany was wounded. He immediately assumed command of the whole company, re-organised them, and commenced to put the line in a state of defence. Throughout the time he walked to and fro amongst his men cheering and urging them on. Later in the day he observed a large party of the enemy withdrawing on the left of his company. Without a moment's hesitation he directed fire of his Lewis guns and rifles on them, inflicting heavy losses, and making them scatter in great confusion. He remained in command of the company throughout the day until an officer was sent up.

850068 Wht. S/Sjt. F. Sparshatt, 215th Bde. R.F.A. (Portsmouth). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Ramadi on 28th/29th September, 1917. He carried out the erection of an observation ladder and pole under heavy fire, and its removal after dark from its position in front of the trenches, whither our infantry had withdrawn.

120082 Pte. W. E. Spradbery, 36th Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (Walthamstow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Mametz on 26th August, 1918. He accompanied an officer when rescuing one officer and three men of an infantry battalion under very heavy machine-gun fire. One of the party was killed, two were wounded and two other men got bullets through their clothing. Notwithstanding this he, with his squad, after bringing in the first party of wounded, returned under heavy machine-gun fire and brought in a N.C.O., who was wounded.

3/8074 Pte. E. H. Stacey, 6th Bn., Dorset R. (Caerphilly).

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in reconnoitring and cutting wire under heavy machine-gun fire at Gouzocourt on 18th September, 1918, so as to clear the way for an attack. He successfully completed this task, and later, when the advance was held up by a machine-gun, crept forward alone with a Lewis gun and killed or wounded the crew, again enabling the advance to continue.

M.2/078952 Pte. F. B. Starkey, R.A.S.C. (M.T.), att'd. No. 7 Fd. Amb., R.A.M.C. (Manchester).

For remarkable courage at Rumilly on 1st October, 1918. While driving his car this N.C.O. was ambushed and wounded. When ordered to drive behind the enemy lines, he succeeded in ditching the car and locking the gears. He was then marched back under escort to a second car, but seeing the driver seriously wounded he refused to drive without first attending to the man. While so engaged the escort shot him through the spine, and then withdrew. His gallantry saved his comrade's life and the cars from falling into the hands of the enemy.

38473 Pte. F. T. Stone, 2/4th Bn., Hamps. R. (T.F.) (Bentley).

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Havrincourt on 12th September, 1918. As company runner he took numerous messages across the open to advanced posts, under close range machine-gun fire and during heavy shelling. Throughout the whole day his utter fearlessness was a splendid inspiration to the men.

53228 Pte. P. Sweeney, 13th Bn., R. Scots. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the fighting on 16th September, 1918, in the Quarries sector, St. Elie. In the morning he attempted to rescue a wounded comrade from the enemy wire, and got him into a shell hole, from which he was eventually fetched by stretcher bearers. In the afternoon he, with a N.C.O., frustrated attempts of the enemy to push in our posts by bombing them. He was cool and determined throughout, though exposed to every kind of fire.

9986 Sjt. A. R. Sykes, M.M., 1st Bn., Sco. Rif. (London, E.).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Villers-Guislain on 21st September, 1918. Acting as C.S.M., he was of great assistance to his Company Commander when all other officers were casualties. He made repeated and determined attempts against uncut wire, silenced a machine gun, and dispersed a bombing post. He also brought in several wounded, and his fine example kept the men steady under heavy fire.

275571 C./S./M. W. Tabbrown, 1/7th Bn., Manch. Regt. (T.F.) (Manchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 27th September, 1918, south-east of Havrincourt. After the advance had covered over 1,500 yards, he dashed forward with another man, firing on about 30 of the enemy who were trying to escape, and forced them to surrender. Throughout the whole attack he was constantly cheering his men on in the face of intense machine-gun and rifle fire, setting a fine example of soldierly qualities to all.

200894 Sjt. M. Taylor, 5/6th Bn., Sco. Rif. (T.F.) (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and exceptional leadership south of Villers-Guislain on 21st September, 1918. When his platoon was held up he personally went forward and located an enemy post. He then led two sections over the open and charged it. Later, with a mopping-up party, he captured several prisoners, and, though wounded slightly in the early part of the attack, remained with his battalion until it was relieved.

50684 L./Cpl. (A./Cpl.) C. F. Thompson, 1st Bn., E. Yorks. R. (Fulham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the morning of 18th September, 1918, during the attack south of Villers-Guislain. He with another N.C.O. led a bombing attack down the Meunier trench, and drove the enemy out, establishing a block. They lost all but one of their party, but held on till reinforcements arrived.

325975 Pte. T. Thompson, 9th Bn., Dur. L.I. (T.F.) (Springwell).

For fine leadership and gallantry at Havrincourt, 12th to 15th September, 1918. This man led a small bombing patrol at night to get touch with the enemy, whom he engaged and bombed out of a post. He then established his own post and evacuated the wounded. Later, when placed in charge of a Lewis-gun team, he showed great skill, and, selecting a good position, drove off a hostile counter-attack.

M2/135637 Cpl. R. V. Thorne, R.A.S.C. (M.T.), att'd. 8th Lt. Armd. Motor Bty. (Sunningdale). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty west of Anah on 28th March, 1918. As driver of the leading armoured car during a daring raid into the enemy's country he displayed exceptional coolness and skill in handling it under fire and over unknown ground.

200343 C./S./M. J. H. Tilson, M.M., 2/4th Bn., Hamps. R. (T.F.) (Romford).

For conspicuous gallantry and cool determination during the attack on Havrincourt on the 12th September, 1918. Halfway through the village the company came under very heavy shell fire and many casualties occurred. He at once rallied the men, and did much to press forward the attack. Later he got the wounded to a place of safety, and when the enemy heavily counter-attacked, he went out in the open and ensured that the place was held.

765514 Sjt. J. Timson, M.M., C/223rd (H.C.) Bde., R.F.A. (T.F.) (Hull).

A convoy of ammunition wagons of which this N.C.O. formed part came under heavy shell fire at Essart on 17th/18th August, 1918; the officer in charge was killed and other ranks became casualties, and many animals were put out of action. This N.C.O. immediately took steps to clear the road of the debris in spite of intense shell fire, and permitted convoys of other units to get up in time to their destination. The power of command, resource and determination displayed by Sergeant Timson under difficult conditions and under heavy fire were of a very high order.

62551 Dvr. F. Tomlinson, 4th Bde., R.F.A. (Selbourne, Alton). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack at Tekret on the 5th November, 1917. After the first line had been captured he stood in the open and kept up communication with his battery by helio, although exposed to heavy fire from the enemy, who were only some 200 yards away. He behaved splendidly.

11777 L./Sjt. H. Tordoff, 5th Bn., York. L.I. (Castleford.)

For conspicuous gallantry in the attack on Havrincourt, between 12th and 14th September, 1918. He led his men through the village with extraordinary dash and captured two officers and fifty other ranks. Later, he crept alone over a shelled area in advance of the line and successfully bombed a hostile machine-gun post.

Ply/466 (s.) Sjt. H. J. Trigg, 1st Bn., R. Mar. (West Ealing).

On 21st August, 1918, at Logeast Wood, during a heavy enemy counter-attack, when troops on his flank were forced to withdraw, he moved his platoon forward and attacked the advancing enemy with such resolution that the counter-attack was completely broken up. He himself killed large numbers of the enemy with a Lewis gun. Throughout the operations he displayed conspicuous gallantry and fine qualities of leadership.

360676 Sjt. L. Tungate, 18th Sig. Coy., R.E. (Norwich).

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during operations against Albert from 22nd August to 3rd September, 1918. When his officer became a casualty he took command of the signallers and maintained a most efficient system of communication within the battalion. On many occasions he went out under heavy shell fire to select routes and establish stations, and carried out the work with marked ability.

50624 Pte. J. W. Turner, 1st Bn., E. York. R. (Leeds).

On August 22nd, 1918, near Beaucourt-sur-Ancre, this man as stretcher-bearer time and again went forward into "No Man's Land" to bring in wounded men under a withering machine-gun and shell fire. Though advised by his company commander not to endanger his life by such rashness, he still persisted in bringing in unaided several more wounded belonging to another unit. Again, on the 26th August, near Ligny Thillooy, he greatly distinguished himself in bringing in wounded under an intense fire, thereby setting a wonderful and inspiring example to his comrades. By his extreme devotion to duty he was instrumental in saving the lives of several men.

67452 Spr. (A./Sjt.) G. Voke, 151st Fd. Coy., R.E. (Newport, Mon.).

For consistently excellent work on several occasions during August and September, 1918. Prior to the attack by the Division on 24th August he worked on the approach to a proposed bridge over the river Ancre near Aveluy although the enemy was holding the opposite bank, and immediately after the attack started work under fire on the construction of the bridge. During construction the bridge received two direct hits but he continued his work and helped to complete it by the specified time, thereby largely contributing to the success of the attack. On 5th/6th September he worked on the construction of a pontoon bridge over the Canal du Nord, near Manancourt, which was successfully completed in spite of heavy gas shelling which caused a number of casualties. Since then he has done good work on forward roads under constant shelling.

235657 Pte. R. Walker, 1st Bn., North'd Fus. (Sunderland).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At Havrincourt, on the 18th September, 1918, this man was in charge of a L.G. section covering a block in an advanced sap. The enemy broke through and his section was surrounded. He immediately collected what men he could, and after bombing the enemy out of the trench behind him, turned his attention to those in front and cleared them out also. The situation was critical and his prompt action turned the enemy's temporary success into a failure with heavy casualties.

241572 Sjt. H. P. Ward, 5th Bn., York. L.I. (Doncaster).

For great courage and determination in establishing and maintaining communications during and after the attack on Havrincourt on 12th September, 1918. The whole time he was out on this work he was exposed to

intense shell fire, and his wires were broken several times in the act of laying them, but each time he mended them and successfully connected up with forward stations.

22355 Sjt. J. A. Wark, 47th Bn., M.G.C. (Glasgow).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack north of Bray-sur-Somme on the 22nd August, 1918. He turned back in the middle of an intense enemy artillery barrage shortly after zero hour and took a gun from a wounded No. 1 and carried it himself to the objective. Under heavy machine-gun and rifle fire he made repeated reconnaissances during the later stages of the attack, each time returning himself to bring up the guns. His unfailing cheerfulness and outstanding courage were the admiration of all ranks throughout the operation.

20202 Pte. W. F. Bailey (Brayfield-on-Green), 16948 Pte. W. J. Webb (Stony Stratford), 6th Bn., North'n R.

For great gallantry during operations south of Albert on 22nd August, 1918. These men on their own initiative skilfully manœuvred a Lewis gun against two enemy machine-gun posts, which were holding up the advance. They rushed the posts and captured the guns, together with their respective garrisons of 10 and 6 men.

305570 L./Cpl. T. Whiles, 13th Bn., Tank Corps (Newark).

On 8th August, 1918, near Bayonvillers, the tank in which he was gunner received two direct hits which killed the driver and tank commander and set the tank on fire. Repeated efforts to extinguish the fire were frustrated by the exploding ammunition; though the tank was filled with flames and smoke, he continued to try and get the bodies of his commander and driver outside, until seeing that life was really extinct and he himself was quite exhausted he left the tank. Later on he rescued a man from another tank that had been set on fire by a direct hit and of which the ammunition was exploding in all directions. Throughout the action the conduct of this N.C.O. was a splendid example of resolution and contempt of danger.

201149 C./S./M. E. W. Whitworth, 7th Bn., Line. R. (Lincoln).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on Gauche Wood on 18th September, 1918, seeing a platoon without officers or N.C.O.s, he ran to it and, reorganising it led it forward, surrounding and capturing a strong post. By skilful handling of the platoon he cleared that corner of the wood. His absolute disregard of danger set a splendid example throughout the operations.

200824 Sjt. (A./C./S./M.) G. Whyman, M.M., 2/4th Bn., York and Lanc. R. (T.F.) (Sheffield).

During the attack on 12th September, 1918, at Havrincourt, this W.O. was of great assistance when the company commander was wounded. His coolness, self-possession and leadership under the heaviest shell and machine-gun fire rallied and stimulated the company, and, though hard pressed, he surmounted all difficulties and led on to the objective.

34588 Pte. L. Williams, 2/4th Bn., W. Rid. R. (T.F.) (Paignton).

For conspicuous gallantry in operations near Havrincourt between 12th and 15th September, 1918. This man, who was the only Lewis gunner left of his team, went forward with his gun down a trench and fired on a party of the enemy who were attacking another part of our line. He killed two and the remainder surrendered.

50223 Cpl. C. J. Wilson, M.M., 4th Bn., L'pool R. (Masham, York).

On the 29th September, 1918, this N.C.O. displayed great gallantry in advancing through and mopping up Villers-Guislain. He was in charge of a Lewis gun section which captured 30 prisoners after a severe fight, when heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy.

39540 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) S. J. Wilson, M.M., 52nd By., 15th Bde., R.F.A. (Lewisham).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Metz, on 18th September, 1918, while the battery position was under heavy shell fire, all the men being withdrawn to a flank for over two hours, this N.C.O. remained outside the telephone pit endeavouring to obtain visual communication with Group H. 2, all lines being cut. He managed to get through a warning of an impending attack on the left flank, which enabled the guns to direct their barrage on receiving the S.O.S. During four weeks' offensive this N.C.O. has invariably set a splendid example to those serving with him.

6393 C./S./M. W. Wilson, 1st Bn., Sea. Highrs. (Roths). (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack at Tekrit on the 5th November, 1917. After his company commander had been wounded, he led forward a number of men under heavy fire to the assault. He displayed the utmost coolness and ability. He was wounded after the first enemy trench had been captured.

CZ/6919 Ldg. Sea. J. Young, M.M., Drake Bn., R.N.V.R., attd. 189th T.M. By. (Methil).

His gallant conduct during an attack through Logeast Wood on 21st August, 1918, was very conspicuous, and he helped to rush enemy positions, capturing machine guns and a large field gun. When a group of machine guns was causing the withdrawal of our troops near a wood, he shattered the position with T.M. shells, and drove out the enemy, who were caught by Lewis-gun fire as they retired, and the local counter-attack restored the situation. He handled his guns with great initiative and cool judgment under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire.

44657 Sjt. W. Young, 5th Bn., M.G. Corps (Kirkcaldy).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty south-west of Cambrai, on 27th September, 1918. On two occasions he took his guns forward unsuccessfully to a trench which the infantry had failed to take. A third time he went forward alone, but was bombed out of the trench. In the afternoon the enemy counter-attacked, driving in the infantry, and got within twenty yards of his guns, but he succeeded in withdrawing them, being the

last man to leave. He continued to do excellent work until he was wounded while firing his gun from the parapet of a trench.

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748082 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) W. P. Adams, M.M., 14th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack near Cagnicourt on 1st/2nd September, 1918. His platoon commander and senior N.C.O.s becoming casualties, he assumed command and successfully led the platoon to its final objective with consummate skill and daring. Held up by an enemy machine-gun post, he boldly rushed forward, with absolute contempt of danger, and personally bayoneted and killed two of his adversaries, and by his fearless demeanour and gallantry compelled the remainder to surrender. His marked gallantry and initiative throughout undoubtedly was instrumental in no small degree to the success of the operation and the saving of many of our men's lives.

308700 Serj. W. V. Agnew, 9th Bde., Can. F.A.

For courage and devotion to duty during the offensive operations south-east of Arras on 27th August, 1918. He was in charge of communications of the forward section, and it was absolutely necessary to lay 1,500 yards of wire to an observation post. He had the line complete in thirty minutes, using mostly enemy wire. This work was done under heavy machine-gun fire, and the last 500 yards in full view of the enemy machine-gunners. When this was done, he rendered valuable assistance observing enemy machine guns and other targets. Although knocked down twice by concussion of enemy shells, he kept this line in working order during our attack, thereby allowing us to neutralise an enemy machine-gun nest. His example was an inspiration to all.

799372 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) R. Alexander, 15th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in the attack on Drocourt-Queant line on the 2nd September, 1918. When one of the companies was held up by a strong machine-gun post, he led his platoon forward and bombed the occupants, over sixty of whom surrendered. He showed conspicuous ability in handling his platoon and keeping the men under control in the face of machine-gun fire from both flanks and point-blank artillery fire.

703661 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) H. Alway, 102nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack near Beaucourt-en-Santerre, 8th August, 1918. After his platoon commander had become a casualty he took command, steadied the men, and led them in a charge against a strongly held position on the edge of Beaucourt Wood. On reaching the wood he rushed round the flank of an enemy section, and, by cutting off the retreat, forced twenty of the garrison to surrender. This he did single-handed. He set a fine example of fearlessness to his men.

443581 Sjt. G. B. Andrews, M.M., 2nd Bn., Can. Infy.

On 2nd to 4th September, 1918, in the operations on the Canal du Nord, he was in command of a platoon, which he handled with conspicuous courage and skill throughout the operations, under intense fire. He executed several daring reconnaissances with complete success under very severe close range machine-gun fire and obtained information of the greatest value to his company commander. His devotion to duty and disregard of danger were a very fine example to those under his command.

678229 C.S.M. A. C. Baillie, 116th Bn., Can. Infy.

During an advance from Domart, on 8th August, 1918, he collected the details from three different battalions and formed them into a party, which he led against the high ground in front of Hamon Wood. A heavy machine-gun fire from a concealed trench was holding up his company. Acting on his own initiative he deployed his party over some dead ground and completely surprised the enemy in the trench. Later in the day, when his company officers had become casualties, he reorganised the company, advanced against, and captured the final objective. Throughout he showed fine power of leadership and knowledge of handling men.

663138 Pte. F. W. Battison, 116th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Hamon Wood, near Domart, on 8th August, 1918, he acted with great gallantry throughout the day. On his own initiative he advanced, and single-handed put out of action two enemy machine guns, which had been holding up his attack. He was the first man to enter Hamon Wood, and it was largely due to his work that his company were able to advance and capture five 5-9 guns. He set a fine example of fearlessness to the remainder of the men.

420375 Sjt. C. A. Bent, M.M., 16th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When in charge of the company Lewis guns in an attack near Arras on the 2nd September, 1918, two of them were knocked out, and while repairing them in the open under heavy fire he was wounded in the right arm, but refused to go back, continuing to assist in directing the fire. He was again wounded, and on his way back, hearing that his company officer was wounded, he went to look for him and had him carried in by a party of prisoners.

100337 C.S.M. T. J. Bentley, 49th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack north of Parvillers on the night of 13/14th August, 1918. He displayed great qualities of leadership, and by his personal courage and organising powers contributed largely to the success of the operation. His coolness and cheerfulness under heavy fire was an inspiration to all ranks.

150034 Cpl. R. Billington, 1st Bn., Can. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during seven days' fighting, which led

to the capture of Drocourt-Queant line on 28th August to 2nd September, 1918. On the second day his officer became a casualty, and he took command of a section of four guns. On the last day he brought his guns successfully into action five times in support of the Infantry attack. On each occasion he went forward under heavy fire to select positions. He proved himself an able leader, and set a fine example.

401723 Cpl. M. L. Bishop, M.M., 58th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during the operations in front of Amiens on 8th August, 1918. As leader of the Battalion Scouts he rendered invaluable assistance throughout the whole attack, making daring reconnaissances and reporting as to the enemy's positions. On one occasion, when he observed an enemy machine-gun post, which was enfilading our advancing troops, he, without hesitation, crawled up in rear of the post and shot four gunners with his revolver, thus saving many casualties to our troops by his fearless action.

406247 L./Sjt. A. Blackburn, M.M., 18th Bn., Can. Infy.

On the 28th August, 1918, in front of Vis-en-Artois, he attacked single-handed a party who had emerged from a dug-out and were trying to bring a machine gun into action. He killed several of the crew and captured the gun and five prisoners. His gallant and prompt action saved many casualties, and his platoon was able to advance unimpeded.

400544 Cpl. O. Bland, M.M., 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

On 2nd September, 1918, at Bois de Bouche, when the advance was being delayed by heavy machine-gun fire, he went forward single-handed and attacked a machine gun and killed the man who was working it. He then turned the gun round and inflicted heavy casualties on the retreating enemy. His gallantry and initiative were worthy of high praise.

441014 Sjt. A. J. Bossenberry, M.M., 5th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 1st of September, 1918, E. of Hendecourt-Lez-Cagnicourt. When under heavy machine-gun fire the officer of his platoon became a casualty, he led it forward, and when it was held up he went on alone and jumped into a trench where there were two machine guns, putting one of the crews out of action and capturing the remainder. Later in the day, when the right flank was forced back, he brought a captured machine gun into action, and readjusted the situation.

61803 Sjt. A. Boucher, M.M., 22nd Bn., Can. Infy.

When his company commander and all the officers of the company had become casualties in the advance to east of Chérissy on the 26th/27th of August, 1918, he took charge of the company and led them forward in the face of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire with great gallantry and determination, being seriously wounded at the head of his men. His splendid example inspired and encouraged all under his command.

67853 Sjt. W. Boudreau, M.M., 25th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack from Villers Bretonneux to Mehari-court on August 8th/9th, 1918. When his platoon was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, and the entire crew of the Lewis gun section had become casualties, this N.C.O., although wounded, picked up the Lewis gun and opened covering fire on the enemy position allowing his platoon to advance and capture it. During this operation he was again wounded, but he reorganised his men and saw them continue the advance before he would go to the dressing station.

219807 Cpl. C. C. Bradley, 7th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Arras on 2nd/4th September, 1918. Soon after the commencement of the attack he took command of his platoon, the serjeant and other senior N.C.O.'s having become casualties. He worked unceasingly in keeping the sections together, and personally accounted for two machine guns. Although wounded early in the day he carried on till the afternoon, when he had to be evacuated, after contributing materially to the success of the attack.

769576 Sjt. L. G. Brookbank, 18th Bn., Can. Infy.

During an attack this N.C.O. went forward under very heavy fire to an exposed position in front of Vis-en-Artois on the 28th August, 1918, where he remained for eight hours keeping up a continuous observation of the enemy's movements. The information he sent back was of the utmost importance and largely contributed to the subsequent success of the operation. His example of gallant endurance and determination was very fine.

135250 Pte. H. Brooks, 2nd Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

When his company was held up by an enemy machine-gun nest in the attack on Le Quesnoy on 10th August, 1918, this man with two others worked round the flank and attacked with bomb and bayonet, killing and taking prisoners the entire garrison of nineteen men. He later led a similar attack successfully, but was severely wounded during it. He showed fine courage and initiative.

681342 L./Sjt. C. S. B. Brown, 58th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations in front of Amiens on 8th August, 1918. During the attack he led his half platoon with the utmost courage. At one time he was ordered to attack a German trench position from the flank. This he did, leading the rush and being the first to enter the enemy trench, where he killed two men. He was wounded, but carried on and reorganised his men after the trench was taken. When his wound, which was severe, compelled him to fall, he cheered on his men.

183650 Sjt. J. H. Burleigh, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

At Upton Wood, on 30th August, 1918, when the men were suffering heavy casualties from enfilade machine-gun fire and were badly shaken, he rallied them with great gallantry and led them forward to the final objective.

Later, when heavy counter-attacks forced the company to withdraw, he collected some details in the vicinity and delayed the enemy advance until the company had time to take up a position further back. His courage and initiative were of great service in a difficult situation.

201129 Pte. A. J. Burton, 3rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on the Drocourt-Queant system on 2nd and 3rd September, 1918, he was in charge of a Lewis gun, which he used with great skill and determination under intense machine-gun fire and artillery firing often at point blank range. On one occasion, when his platoon was held up, he took the gun forward, and mounting it on another man's shoulders, inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, and the advance was able to proceed. His gallantry and devotion to duty under heavy fire were a conspicuous example to the whole company.

409318 Sjt. H. C. Byce, 14th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack in the Amiens sector on 8th/9th August, 1918. At one point his company was held up by a strong and well-sited machine-gun nest. His company had suffered several casualties and he had been seriously wounded himself. Nevertheless he, with a few sections, boldly rushed the post. The machine guns were captured, those who offered resistance were killed with the bayonet, and thirty-one prisoners were taken and sent to the rear.

432632 Sjt. A. H. Cantin, M.M., 49th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack north of Parvillers on the night of 13th/14th August, 1918. He led his men with great courage, and personally captured a trench mortar which was causing considerable casualties, killing the whole detachment. His prompt action saved many lives. Throughout the operations he showed marked leadership and determination.

101500 Pte. D. A. Capeo, 49th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations east of Arras, 26th to 29th August, 1918. He showed splendid qualities of daring, initiative, and resource. When a bombing attack was held up by heavy enemy machine-gun fire and bombs, and was being driven back, he obtained a supply of bombs and rushed to the head of the bombing squad, and by his accurate throwing stopped the enemy advance. He out-threw the enemy bombers and fought his way down the trench, inflicting casualties on the enemy and putting a machine gun out of action. His gallant conduct made it possible for the bombing squad to move forward and the advance to continue.

428143 Sjt. J. M. Clague, 52nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Damery on 15th August, 1918, when the enemy were counter-attacking, he was with a party that went to the assistance of a hard-pressed company. Taking charge of all men he met he led them forward, assisting in the capture of many prisoners and personally accounting for a large number of the enemy. Later, when most of the N.C.O.'s

were out of action, he took the duties of C.S.M. upon himself and rendered valuable help in reorganising the company against a further counter-attack. Throughout the day he displayed the utmost skill and courage.

883688 Pte. R. Clark, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on the 2nd September, 1918. With a party of four others he bombed an exceptionally strong machine-gun post, killing seven and capturing thirty prisoners and ten machine guns. The remainder of the garrison fled in disorder. His coolness and energy in this successful enterprise were most noticeable.

760897 L./Cpl. C. M. Clarke, M.M., 38th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during operations in front of Meharicourt on 11th August, 1918. When our advance was held up by an enemy machine gun concealed about fifty yards in front, he rushed forward and single-handed charged the gun. Five of the enemy ran away, leaving the gun in his hands. In performing this act he killed one of the enemy and was himself wounded, but he carried on in the firing line for some hours until ordered out by an officer. His coolness, courage and determination throughout the day ably assisted in the success of the operation.

183809 Cpl. J. W. Cochrane, 1st Bn., Can. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Cagnicourt on 2nd September, 1918. He led his gun forward under heavy fire, putting an anti-Tank gun out of action and keeping down the fire of a field battery until the infantry came up. He then charged an enemy machine gun which was coming into action, shot the officer and took the crew prisoners. Throughout the fighting he was full of initiative and courage.

129440 Pte. D. G. Crocker, 72nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations east of Amiens. On 10th August, 1918, in the attack on Maucourt and Chilly, this man acted as runner for his company commander. On going forward with this officer for the purpose of out-flanking an enemy machine gun he was able by his fluent use of German to work very close to the gun, whereupon he rushed it, overcame all resistance and captured four prisoners, including an officer, and the machine-gun, besides killing one man. Throughout he showed the utmost contempt for danger and great courage in carrying messages.

311373 B.S.M. T. D. Crosbie, 3rd Divl. Amm. Col., Can. F.A.

For gallantry and devotion to duty. About 9 a.m. on 28th August, 1918, a large enemy shell landed in a dump located on the Arras-Cambrai road between Arras and Faub. St. Sauveur, killing seven men and wounding five of the dump personnel. He was blown twenty to thirty feet by the explosion and wounded slightly, but with great gallantry and utter disregard for personal safety he immediately got water and put out the burning ammunition and prevented more casualties. Notwithstanding his wounds and the severe shock he

had received, he continued to issue ammunition until relieved. His example throughout was most inspiring to the men.

216242 L./Cpl. J. de Cruyenaere, 1st Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in an attack at Hangard on 8th August, 1918, and at Le Quesnoy on 10th August, 1918. During an attack he rushed an enemy machine gun post single-handed, bayonetting the two gunners. He afterwards rushed a trench mortar position, bayonetting two of the enemy and taking four prisoners. On the 10th August he displayed fine leadership under very heavy fire. His courage was a splendid example to all ranks.

106172 Sjt. F. Cryer, 1st Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations at Hangard on 8th August, 1918, and at Le Quesnoy on 10th August, 1918. He showed marked courage during the attack. He was invaluable to his company commander, assisting in collecting information and taking the place of an officer. His work in reorganising the men under heavy machine-gun fire was exceptionally good, and his conduct was a fine example to all ranks.

426320 L./Cpl. A. Culgin, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on 2nd September, 1918. When he saw a party of the enemy attempting to remove a field gun, he rushed out with a Lewis gun, and in spite of machine-gun fire brought it into action, shooting the horses and causing the crew to surrender. In an attack the same evening his gun was knocked out, but he and his crew salvaged some enemy bombs and took an active part in the fighting, he personally killing six of the enemy. He displayed qualities of leadership of a high order.

424441 Sjt. A. Cumming, 1st Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry near Le Quesnoy on 10th August, 1918. This N.C.O., while commanding a platoon, observing that the advance was being checked by an enemy machine-gun, immediately went forward with one section and rushed the enemy post, killing the crew and returning to our lines with the gun. His prompt action no doubt averted many casualties and was the means of the advance being continued. His courage at all times was splendid.

530111 Sjt. A. L. R. Davidson, 208th Fd. Amb., Can. A.M.C.

This N.C.O. was continuously in the field from 8th to 13th August, 1918, near Domart and Bouchoir, searching for, collecting, and dressing wounded. He displayed great courage in unhesitatingly carrying out his duty under heavy shell and machine-gun fire. On the 12th August he led his squad several times into a wood, part of which was held by the enemy, and successfully brought out several stretcher cases. His fine example and willingness to undertake the most dangerous and hard tasks were of great assistance to his medical officer.

67080 Sjt. J. Davies, M.M., 25th Bn., Can. Infy.

For exceptional leadership and good work during the attack from Villers Bretonneux to Meharicourt on 8/9th August, 1918. When acting as C.S.M. he showed great initiative in attacking a strong point which was holding up the advance. At the time he gave very great assistance to the company commander, and showed great coolness under heavy machine-gun fire, setting a splendid example to his men.

628057 Cpl. E. Desilets, 16th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 2nd September, 1918, in the second battle of Arras. During the fighting he with his section engaged large numbers of the enemy on three occasions as they emerged from dugouts, inflicting about 30 casualties. He fearlessly entered other dugouts, bombing the occupants, and taking the survivors prisoners. He was slightly wounded when steadying his men under enfilade fire.

108190 C./S./M. J. C. Dick, M.M., 2nd Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

During the attack on Demuin on 8th August, 1918, when his company commander was wounded, he at once took charge until relieved by an officer. Later, when the battalion attack was held up by two machine guns posted in a house commanding the approach, he promptly organised and led a party to the attack, himself killing the crew of one gun and helping in the destruction of the second. By his quick and courageous action he prevented many casualties and enabled the advance to be continued.

24826 (Cpl. (L./Sjt.) J. G. Dickie, 13th Bn., Can. Infy.

On September 2nd, 1918, in the Drocourt-Queant line attack, he took command of his section when the leader was killed. Arriving at the Drocourt front line system, his section was isolated and held up by a machine gun, and he dashed forward under very heavy fire, rushed and captured the strong point single-handed, killing three of the enemy and taking two more prisoners. North of the village of Cagnicourt he found the remainder of his platoon, organised it, and led it through to the final objective with great valour. This soldier's initiative and gallantry was a splendid example to all around him.

292005 L./Sjt. F. Diehl, 1st Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Hangard on 8th August, 1918. He led his section against heavy shell and machine-gun fire. Observing that the attack was checked by a number of enemy snipers and two machine-gun posts, he rallied his section and rushed the posts, killing eight of the enemy and taking six prisoners, together with two heavy machine guns. He showed skilful leadership and coolness during the attack, and his prompt action at a critical period was of great assistance in the success of the operations and averted many casualties to our troops.

288638 Pte. D. C. Dowsett, 27th Bn., Can. Infy.

In front of Neuville-Vitasse on the 26/27th August, 1918, he was employed as company

scout, and was called on to make several journeys over open ground swept by artillery and machine-gun fire. He was severely wounded, but declined to retire, and carried on until the necessary information had been obtained. His conspicuous example of gallantry and endurance was worthy of very high praise.

675739 Sjt. E. H. Draper, 21st Bn., Can. Infy.

He was acting as company serjeant major during an attack at Wancourt on the 26th August, 1918, rendering invaluable assistance to the one remaining officer. He led a bombing attack against a strong point that was holding up our advance and captured it, killing some of the garrison with bombs and some with the bayonet. His gallantry and fine leadership were conspicuous throughout the operations.

57761 C./S./M. H. H. Dunn, 20th Bn., Can. Infy.

During three days' severe fighting in front of Vis-en-Artois on 26th/28th August, 1918, he was indefatigable in his devotion to duty, and quite regardless of danger under heavy fire. On two occasions his company lost all its officers, and he took command and reorganised the men. His splendid example was an inspiration to all ranks.

931268 C./S./M. J. Dunn, 102nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack near Beaucourt-en-Santerre. His company was held up by a strongly held trench system in the open beyond Beaucourt Wood. At a critical moment a platoon commander became a casualty. This warrant officer at once dashed forward, under terrific fire, and took the officer's place, rallied the men, and, inspiring them by his example, captured the trench, killing many of the enemy and taking prisoners, three of whom he captured single-handed. His prompt action undoubtedly saved an awkward situation, and contributed largely to the success of our operation.

445 A./Sjt. R. C. Dyer, M.N., 8th Bn., Can. Infy. (N. RUSSIA).

For conspicuous gallantry and resource during the landing at Onega and clearing of the town. He set a very fine example to his men throughout the action, and, from a very exposed position, successfully engaged an enemy machine-gun at close range with his Lewis gun. He showed marked courage in taking up new positions with his gun under heavy machine-gun and cross rifle fire, and by his skilful use of it rendered very valuable service.

902388 Cpl. S. B. Edwards, 13th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the operations of 17th August, 1918, at La Cravatte he observed a party of about fifty of the enemy working up on the flank of the company when it was consolidating. He went forward with his section and engaged the enemy with his Lewis gun, inflicting heavy casualties on them. As they still came on, and he ran out of ammunition, he, with four others, charged the party with fixed bayonets, killing several, capturing three, and putting the remainder to flight.

766368 Cpl. F. A. Elliott, 2nd Bn., Can. M.G.C.

Between the 26th and 28th of August, 1918, east of Cherissy, when his officer and all the sergeants of the section had been killed or wounded, he took command and led them to their positions in close support of the infantry. He himself took a gun, with three other men, and, crawling forward 300 yards, established himself in a position in front of the infantry, whence he silenced the fire of an enemy machine-gun nest which was causing heavy casualties to our men. He showed a splendid example and complete disregard of danger throughout the operation.

796004 Pte. J. G. Erskine, M.M., 14th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack near Cagnicourt on September 1st-2nd, 1918. Continually exposed to heavy hostile fire of all description, he, with indomitable courage and undaunted gallantry, performed his duties with an utter disregard as to his own personal safety. His company being endangered at the flank, he fearlessly went through and obtained the necessary assistance, though to accomplish this it was necessary to dispose of five of the enemy unaided whom he encountered. He shewed the greatest coolness and determination throughout.

748175 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) G. Fairbairn, 14th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack near Cagnicourt on September 1st-2nd, 1918. Throughout two days' fighting, and after his officer had become a casualty, he displayed great skill and qualities of leadership in the handling of the platoon. In the mopping up he captured over a hundred of the enemy, personally killed three, and also captured six machine guns. Bombing the enemy with their own grenades, he established an important block in the trench and held same despite repeated strong efforts to dislodge him. Throughout his gallantry, initiative and indomitable pluck were superb.

426222 Pte. McL. Fenwick, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on the 2nd September, 1918. He led a party of bombers along a trench, clearing it of the enemy, and accounting for a large number of them. He was wounded early in the day, but refused to leave until wounded a second time. His work paved the way for the capture of a strong post with a number of prisoners and machine guns, and the rescue of a tank officer and four of the crew.

47350 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) A. Fernie, 13th Bn., Can. Infy.

On the 2nd September, 1918, in the attack on the Drocourt-Queant line, he took charge of his platoon when his officer and all the other N.C.O.'s became casualties, rallied the men and gallantly led them forward to the attack. Throughout the attack he did very fine work rushing trenches, bombing dug outs and personally killing several of the enemy. On one occasion he single handed rushed an enemy strong point, and a party of nineteen of the enemy surrendered to him. Just north of

the village of Cagnicourt his platoon was held up by heavy machine-gun fire from two machine guns, and he dashed forward with four men through heavy fire to the strong point, but his party were all shot down. Undaunted, he crawled back to his platoon, organised another storming party, rushed at the strong point under severe fire by another flank, and getting in the post bayoneted and shot down the garrison of twelve. He showed splendid courage and leadership.

642813 L./Cpl. D. E. Ferris, 4th Bn., Can. Infy.

During a counter-attack at Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, he led his Lewis-gun section with great gallantry and skill through thick undergrowth under heavy high explosive and machine-gun fire, and, taking up a favourable position, he inflicted casualties of the heaviest description on the advancing enemy. His able and determined leadership inspired his men with complete confidence.

141906 L./Sjt. (A./Sjt.) C. G. Filgiano, M.M., 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

During the operations at Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, when the attack was being held up by heavy machine-gun fire, he personally led a Lewis-gun section forward and outflanked and captured two machine-gun posts, killing the crews and capturing the guns. His gallantry and prompt initiative materially contributed to a successful result.

A/22612 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) M. T. Flood, 8th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in organising his company in establishing a defensive flank at night after an attack. He was continuously in the open under heavy shell fire, and saw that all the men were in their right positions. Three days later on the Drocourt-Queant line on 2/3rd September, 1918, he was of great service in re-organising platoons and parties of men who were more or less scattered by severe shell fire.

252443 Pte. T. Flynn, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on the 3rd September, 1918. The platoon to which he was attached was held up by a machine-gun post, when, aided by the fire of a Lewis gun, he crept forward alone and captured the gun, killing two of the crew. His courage in attacking this post single handed was a fine example to the other men, and probably saved many casualties.

724247 L./Cpl. J. Forman, M.M., 38th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 10th August, 1918, near Hallu, the battalion was suffering heavy casualties from our own artillery shooting short. This man placed himself on the highest ground in the vicinity and, exposed to the enemy shelling and machine-gun fire as well as to our own short shooting, he flagged a message back to battalion headquarters, persisting till acknowledged. Later in the day, he similarly succeeded in getting a message through, although owing to the severe enemy machine-gun fire he had to lie on his back to signal. His courage and initiative undoubtedly saved many lives.

418652 Cpl. G. J. Franklin, 42nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during the action at Parvillers on 12th August, 1918. He made a daring reconnaissance into the enemy's trenches in an effort to get in touch with the company on his flank. When his officer was killed he, single-handed, fought with a party of ten of the enemy and killed three of them before he was forced to withdraw. He subsequently made repeated attempts to remove the officer's body under heavy fire.

625181 Sjt. A. McN. Frizzle, 1st Bn., Can. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at the Drocourt-Queant line on 2nd September, 1918. When an infantry battalion was held up by artillery and machine-gun fire, he took his gun forward on a road enfiladed by machine-gun fire, and came into action against an enemy field battery firing over open sights, silencing them by casualties he inflicted on the gunners. On two other occasions he brought his own and captured enemy guns into action at close range against field guns.

727581 Sjt. C. M. Fulcher, M.M., 58th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during operations in front of Amiens on 8th August, 1918. He led his half platoon against a strong enemy position, and by careful dispositions succeeded in killing eight of the garrison and capturing the remainder. He then reformed his men under heavy fire, and led them throughout the attack, doing good work in the village fighting.

799065 Sjt. C. C. Gardner, 2nd Bn., Can. M.G.C.

Between the 26th and 28th of August, 1918, east of Cherisey, when all the officers of his battery became casualties this N.C.O., though wounded himself, took command, and led his battery to their objective in face of heavy fire, with fine gallantry and determination. He brought his guns into action against machine guns in a pill-box, keeping down their fire while the infantry attacked from the flanks. He was again severely wounded while crossing the open to bring up ammunition to his gun crews, who had suffered heavy casualties. His splendid example of devotion to duty greatly encouraged his men.

675360 Sjt. D. F. Garlick, 21st Bn., Can. Infy.

When all the officers had become casualties he took command of the company and continued the advance at Wancourt on the 26th August, 1918, under heavy shell and machine-gun fire. With three other men he rushed a machine-gun post, capturing two guns and accounting for the crew of six men. His fine gallantry was an inspiring example to his men at a critical moment.

264550 Pte. (A./Cpl.) J. Geddes, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918. When his N.C.O. had become a casualty he took charge of the section under heavy machine-gun fire. Crawling forward, he accounted for an enemy machine gun, killing the three men who were manning it, and capturing the gun single-handed.

859703 Pte. C. Gibson, 43rd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative during the attack at Domart, on 8th August, 1918. He repeatedly rushed enemy posts single-handed, compelling them to surrender. At one stage of the advance by going forward alone and bayonetting the crew of a machine gun he enabled the platoon, which had been held up, to advance without further delay or casualties. On the same occasion he also captured four men. The example set by this private was an inspiration to all ranks.

400570 Cpl. D. Graham, 18th Bn., Can. Infy.

During an attack in front of Vis-en-Artois on the 28th August, 1918, his platoon was held up by the direct fire of a machine gun. Private Graham crawled forward with a Lewis gun for a distance of 100 yards under intense fire and succeeded in killing the crew and putting the gun out of action. His gallant and determined action saved many casualties, and his platoon was able to advance.

412741 C./S./M. C. Green, 18th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Marcelcave, on 8th August, 1918. During the attack the company was held up by a strong point. This W.O. organised a party and made a feint attack on the left flank. Although he was surrounded by the enemy he succeeded by his daring and skill in cutting his way through with his party, and so enabled his company to capture the strong point, which consisted of five machine guns, with less difficulty and few casualties.

29327 Sjt. J. Groat, M.M., 16th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 20th September, 1918, in the second battle of Arras. For the fourth or fifth time during this war he played his Battalion over the top in a battle. He was continually under heavy machine-gun fire and at one time was playing in the midst of furious hand-to-hand fighting. At last he was wounded by shrapnel after adding a fine record to the courage of Highland Pipers.

9454 Sjt. W. T. Hall, 3rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on 30th-31st August, 1918, he was in command of a platoon, his officer having become a casualty early in the operations. Being held up by machine-gun fire he manœuvred very skilfully, and inflicting heavy losses on the enemy he pushed forward gallantly to the objective. Later when the company serjeant-major was wounded he took over his duties and carried them out with untiring energy. His courage under fire was conspicuous and he displayed great devotion to duty.

103306 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) L. Harlan, M.M., 54th Bn., Can. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the action on the Amiens front on 8th August, 1918. He was acting as C.S.M. on this day. His company commander was hit and the company was held up by heavy machine-gun fire about 400 yards from its objective; he at once rushed up to the leading wave under very heavy fire and personally took charge of the two platoons, both of which had lost their commander. He organised and led them to their final objective, capturing several machine-

guns and many prisoners. After arranging for the consolidation of his line, being an efficient first-aid man, he went back under heavy fire and dressed the wounds of over twenty men lying in the open. It is impossible to speak too highly of this N.C.O.'s work.

108277 L./Cpl. S. Hart, 1st Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack at Hangard on the 8th August, 1918. He led his section with great dash, capturing two enemy machine-gun posts and inflicting many casualties. When the final objective had been reached he saw that an enemy machine-gun was bringing heavy fire to bear upon his part of the line. He at once advanced and rushed the post, killing or capturing the crew. His splendid example inspired all ranks.

201392 C./S./M. (A./R.S.M.) T. W. Hart, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, when all the officers had become casualties, he took charge of the company and led them forward under very heavy enfilade machine-gun fire to the objective. He showed complete disregard of his own safety, and his able leadership and cool gallantry at a critical stage of the attack was largely responsible for the successful result.

124497 Cpl. J. Haycock, 58th Bn., Can. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on the village of Demuin on 8th August, 1918. Throughout he operated a Lewis gun skilfully. When firing from the hip as he went, in spite of heavy fire from the enemy gun he silenced it and killed the gunners, six in number. He did splendid work.

811917 Pte. T. E. Haythornthwaite, 49th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack north of Parvillers, on 13th and 14th August, 1918. Whilst the bombing squad was trying to clear an enemy block, he, in face of intense machine-gun fire and bombs, operated his gun with great courage and freely exposing himself. When the objective was reached he advanced alone and bombed a German machine-gun post, putting the gun out of action. He did splendidly.

690786 Pte. A. B. Hearn, 116th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack east of Domart, on 8th August, 1918, he was in charge of a patrol which kept up communications with the battalion on our right. He showed great courage and handled his patrol with such skill that at no time during the action was the flank of the battalion left in the air. He also attacked single-handed and put out of action an enemy machine-gun which had been holding up the advance for some time.

433043 Sgt. R. Henderson, M.M., 49th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack south-east of Amiens, on 8th August, 1918. He was a member of a Scout Patrol which was under heavy machine-

gun fire. Although wounded, he fought continuously. He returned over open ground and brought up a Lewis gun, with which he broke up the enemy resistance. After reporting to the dressing station, he returned at once and remained on duty, and continued to display great courage and initiative, leading patrols for the remainder of the operation. He also led patrols on 13th and 14th August, north of Parvillers.

477411 Pte. J. Hoban, R. Can. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Arras. As a runner, scout and guide, he performed valuable service on the 26th August, 1918. When the attack of his company was held up he went forward, and with indomitable courage connected up the platoons. When heavily counter-attacked and his company surrounded he proceeded to Battalion headquarters, delivered an accurate account of the position, and volunteered to guide reinforcements to the front line, which he did. The information he was able to give the reinforcing company commander was invaluable in enabling this officer to make his dispositions. In pitch darkness he led successfully three platoons of the reinforcing company into position, returning to the company commander with an accurate account of their disposition. His extraordinary knowledge of ground and sound common-sense saved a most critical situation.

183761 Pte. W. J. Holmes, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on 2nd September, 1918. When his platoon was checked by heavy fire from a strong party of the enemy in a sunken road, he rushed out with a Lewis gun along the top, and demoralising the garrison by his fire, enabled the rest of the platoon to advance and capture 61 prisoners and four machine-guns. The next day, seeing that the crew of a Lewis gun had become casualties, he went out under heavy fire and brought it into action. His work, both in leading men of his platoon after his seniors had become casualties, and also in fighting and repairing Lewis guns, was excellent.

724110 Pte. J. E. Howe, 20th Bn., Can. Infy.

He was acting as "company runner" during a day of severe fighting near Vis-en-Artois on the 27th August, 1918, and was indefatigable in carrying messages under intense artillery and machine-gun fire. He rescued a corporal of his company who was lying wounded in a shell hole, though the machine-gun fire was intense and well directed on the spot, and carried him to a place of safety, and then resumed his duties as "runner." His splendid example was an inspiration to all ranks.

234171 Pte. A. J. Hudson, 27th Bn., Can. Infy.

When his platoon was held up by heavy machine-gun fire north and east of Neuville-Vitesse on 26th/27th August, 1918, he crawled along a disused enemy trench with a Lewis gun, without waiting for any orders, and establishing himself some 50 yards ahead, he engaged the enemy. After a sharp fire fight for fifteen minutes, the platoon was able to advance. His gallantry and initiative saved many casualties and his action greatly assisted the success of the operations.

429038 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) F. W. Hughes, 7th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Arras on the 2/4th September, 1918. Acting as C.S.M. during three days fighting, he was constantly in and out among the sections, leading them where most needed and sorting out men who had drifted in from units on the flanks. He organised the steps to capture several machine-gun posts, with forty prisoners. He did valuable work in reorganising his company on reaching its objective, and also on the night when its relief was carried out.

252084 Pte. J. F. Hughes, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on the 2nd September, 1918. He formed one of a party of four bombers, which rushed a particularly strong machine-gun nest, whereby seven of the enemy were killed, thirty more being captured with ten machine guns. The attack on this post was made under intense hostile fire from machine guns and field artillery firing over open sights. His courage and coolness were remarkable.

803105 Pte. A. A. Humphrey, 15th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of a Lewis gun in the attack on the Drocourt-Queant line on the 2nd September, 1918. At the final objective he advanced his gun and opened fire on a field battery which was firing on his company at point blank range. He had his arm blown off but continued under a hail of shrapnel, directing his crew. This example of endurance steadied the men of his company at a critical time.

192533 Sjt. T. Imrie, 13th Bn., Can. Infy.

On the 2nd September, 1918, in the attack on the Drocourt-Queant support line system, his platoon was held up by very severe machine-gun fire. Realising the seriousness of the situation he quickly organised a flanking party, dashed forward under heavy fire and attacked and captured the post of two guns, he himself personally killing three of the enemy. Throughout the attack he set a splendid example, and his great dash and courage were chiefly responsible for the brilliant success of the platoon.

424951 Pte. R. Irwin, 1st Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations at Hangard, 8th August, 1918. When his section was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, he immediately ran forward and single-handed bombed the post, putting out of action the gun and the crew. His quick action enabled the advance to continue and averted many casualties. His courage and fearlessness were a fine example to all ranks.

412124 Sjt. W. C. Jack, M.M., 2nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the severe fighting from 30th August to 4th September, 1918, near Hendecourt and Sains-les-Marquion he rendered valuable services, acting as Coy. Sjt.-Maj., when all the company officers except the commander had

become casualties; on one occasion he charged an enemy machine-gun post single-handed and bayoneted two of the crew and captured the gun. His courage and determination were conspicuous and his assistance in reorganising the company, which had suffered heavy casualties, was very valuable.

447100 Pte. A. R. Jaques, 49th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations east of Arras, August 26-28th, 1918. He was No. 1 on a Lewis gun. When two companies were advancing down a trench they came to a break where they had to cross the open road. Enemy machine gun fire and sniping were so heavy that every man who attempted to cross became a casualty. Without any hesitation this man took up an exposed position and opened counter-fire on the enemy, who were less than 400 yards away. He held this position for an hour under heavy fire, and silencing the enemy machine gun, enabled the companies to advance, and badly needed reinforcements to come up without much interference.

488792 Cpl. T. Kerr, 43rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the advance at Domart, on 8th August, 1918, his platoon became disorganised owing to the thick fog and enemy machine-gun fire. He, showing great coolness and gallantry, reorganised his men and led them round the flank of Dodo Wood and on to the final objective. On two occasions his platoon was delayed by parties of the enemy in organised shell holes. He went forward under fire and accounted for the enemy. His courage and coolness materially contributed to the success of the operation.

746033 L./Cpl. N. Koch, 2nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, he was in charge of the company signallers. At one time the enemy were pressing home a determined counter-attack. He rallied his few signallers round his commanding officer, who was in the front line, and charged with the bayonet with great dash straight at the advancing enemy. Though greatly outnumbered, the assault of this small body threw the enemy into disorder, and they retreated, suffering heavy casualties. His gallant and prompt initiative was worthy of high praise.

246400 Cpl. C. F. Labeau, 2nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, when the officer and senior N.C.O.s had become casualties, he took charge of the platoon, which he led with great gallantry and skill, under very heavy fire, making daring reconnaissances before leading his men to a position. He set a very fine example to his platoon and inspired them with great confidence by his high qualities of leadership.

2355428 Pte. G. W. La Duke, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on the 2nd September, 1918. He formed one of a party of four bombers which rushed a particularly strong machine-gun nest, whereby seven of the enemy were killed, thirty more being captured, with

ten machine guns. The attack on this post was made under intense hostile fire from machine guns and field artillery with open sights. He showed remarkable courage and coolness.

406348 Pte. W. Lambe, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, he went out alone and worked round a party of the enemy who had been enfilading the line, killing an officer and bringing back 15 prisoners. He then went out in front of our line and dressed the wounded under shell fire. He did fine work.

751538 Pte. J. S. Lavery, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack on Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, he went out single handed and attacked an enemy post which had been causing casualties amongst our men. He killed two and took the other four prisoners.

755164 Pte. A. Lavictoire, 58th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack on Domuin, in front of Amiens, on 8th August, 1918. At one time when his platoon was being held up by an enemy strong point he without being ordered, crawled round the flank of the position and, coming up in the rear of two machine guns, killed the four gunners and held 11 men in a shallow dug-out against repeated attempts on their part to reach the guns until his platoon advanced and took them prisoners.

135181 Sjt. C. H. Leaver, 52nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the heavy bombardment with high explosive and gas shells, near Damery, from 8th to 15th August, 1918. The C.S.M. being wounded, this N.C.O. took over his duties and organised parties to dig out and carry the wounded, in spite of the shelling, which was intense, continuing in his efforts till all ranks were under cover. Later, during the capture of Damery, he worked indefatigably until he was wounded, and even then he was unwilling to leave his company. He showed a fine example of staying power and courage.

790045 Pte. T. Lechow, 7th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the advance east of Arras on 2/4th of September, 1918, noticing two of the enemy mounting a machine gun on the parapet of a truck, he rushed forward into our own barrage and captured the men and the gun. This prompt initiative undoubtedly saved his platoon from casualties.

644036 L./Cpl. A. W. Leith, 116th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the advance, near Damery, on the night of 12th-13th August, 1918, he showed conspicuous courage and skill in leading his men, in the face of great odds and heavy fire. He was in charge of a post when the enemy counter-attacked. He held his ground and inflicted heavy casualties, although many of his men had become casualties, and he himself had been blown up by a shell. He remained at his post and showed throughout an utter disregard for his own safety and great devotion to duty.

733058 Pte. W. Lyman, M.M., R. Can. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as stretcher bearer on 26th August, 1918, during the attack on Bois de Sart. When our line had been withdrawn after a heavy hostile counter attack he proceeded in front of the line under heavy machine-gun fire and in direct view of the enemy, and attended to a number of our wounded who had been left behind. He himself carried two men back and dressed the remainder. He was indefatigable in his care of the wounded, and his splendid work executed at great personal danger undoubtedly saved many men's lives.

434344 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) W. H. Malkinson, M.M., 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on 2nd September, 1918. When his platoon officer became a casualty, he led the men forward chaining up an enemy strong point on the left flank of the company, and following the retiring enemy completely routed them. The next day he again handled his platoon with great judgment, avoiding shelled areas and saving many casualties. His ability in leadership was most marked.

639721 Pte. M. Maloney, 38th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 11th August, 1918, east of Rosieres, the advance of one of the sections was held up by an enemy machine gun. This man proceeded alone, outflanked the position, killed one of the crew, and captured two of the enemy together with the machine gun. His prompt and determined action saved many casualties.

715494 Sjt. W. H. Marks, 25th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership during the attack east of Villers-Bretonneux on 8/9th August, 1918. During the advance he organised a section and rushed an enemy machine gun post which was holding up the advance. Afterwards he went forward alone, bombing the dug-outs and bayonetting the crew. While acting as C.S.M. he showed great skill in keeping the men together, and at all times showed exceptional courage under heavy fire.

904926 Pte. P. Mattison, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on the 20th September, 1918. Early in the operations this man took charge of a party of four bombers which rushed a particularly strong enemy machine-gun nest. He handled the men with such skill that the whole post was captured in the rush, 7 being killed, 30 being made prisoners, and 10 machine guns left behind by the remainder who fled. He showed fine leadership.

67235 Cpl. C. McAllister, 2nd Bn., Can. M.G.C.

Between the 26th and 28th August, 1918, east of Cherissy, when his officer and all the other N.C.O's. of his section were either killed or wounded and the men were much disorganised, he took command and rallied them and led them on to the objective and brought

his guns into action. He then went across the open under intense machine-gun fire and bandaged the wounds of his officer and several other men and carried them to the shelter of a trench. He displayed admirable coolness and complete disregard of danger, and was a splendid example to all.

745133 Sgt. (A./C.S.M.) W. L. McCrimmon, 116th Bn., Can. Inf.

During the attack on Hamon Wood, near Domart, on 8th August, 1918, when all the officers of his company had become casualties, he took command and showed great initiative, organising parties to deal with the enemy's strong points. The success of the company was largely due to his leadership and his splendid example of courage and devotion to duty.

29348 C./S./M. F. Macdonald, M.M., 16th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 8th August, 1918, during the battle of Amiens. He worked strenuously in the attack, always in the thickest of the fighting, cheering on the men, and leading assaults on strong points time after time. After several officers had become casualties he led a portion of the company on to the final objective.

999462 Pte. J. A. McDonald, 14th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack near Cagnicourt on September 1st/2nd, 1918. He fearlessly carried the most important despatches continuously to and fro through the open spaces undaunted, following the barrage up and through intense hostile fire of all description. Working throughout with remarkable endurance and untiring energy, he successfully delivered all his despatches under seemingly impossible conditions. Exposed at one point to open sight artillery and machine-gun fire, he rushed forward and assisted in the capture of the guns and killed three of the enemy with his bayonet. It is impossible to speak too highly of the extreme gallantry, initiative, and daring displayed by him, who consistently throughout the entire operation displayed supreme devotion to duty.

504668 A./Sjt. J. A. MacFie, M.M., C.E.R.D., Can. Eng. (N. RUSSIA.)

For conspicuous gallantry north of Oboserskaia, from 31st August to 6th September, 1918, while with an advanced guard, carrying explosives to stop the action of the enemy armoured train. On two occasions he went forward alone under heavy fire and blew up the line, thus preventing the train from approaching our positions. On one occasion, with the advanced infantry, when an attack was held up by a machine-gun, he led forward a small party, killed and dispersed the enemy and captured the gun. Throughout the operations he set a splendid example of courage and coolness to his men.

636902 Cpl. J. B. McHugh, 2nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, when the officer and senior N.C.O.s became casualties, he took command of the platoon, who then were 15 in number, and led them with great gallantry and dash against the enemy, who were counter-attacking

strongly. He routed an overwhelming number of the enemy, capturing a machine gun and several prisoners. He displayed admirable qualities of leadership, inspiring his men with the greatest confidence.

110410 Sjt. M. McIntyre, 5th Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry during the attack and capture of Bourchoir on 8th August, 1918. He showed great initiative and determination in handling the men under him. During the consolidation of the position, which was swept by heavy machine-gun fire, he went forward with one man and captured the enemy machine gun, besides three prisoners. His presence of mind and leadership inspired confidence in the men under him. He cannot be too highly commended for his gallant work.

423374 C./S./M. D. McKenzie, 2nd Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

During the attack on Le Quesnoy on 10th August, 1918, he acted with great judgment, coolness and courage. When his company commander was wounded he carried him under cover and had his wounds dressed. He then took charge of and reorganised part of the company and carried on with the advance. When the advance was held up by enemy machine gun fire he took a party round and rushed the post, killing the garrison and capturing the ground. His work throughout greatly contributed to the success of the operation.

838999 Cpl. J. J. McKeown, 58th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and determined courage in the attack on Demuin, 8th August, 1918. After one attempt to capture an enemy machine-gun post had been unsuccessful, he attacked it single-handed with grenades, and, although twice wounded, he succeeded in throwing his grenades into the enemy post, silencing the gun and killing the crew.

445387 Sjt. G. M. McKeil, P.P.C.L.I.

During the fighting south of the Scarpe, 26th to 28th August, 1918, he set a fine personal example to the men and showed an utter disregard of danger at all times. When our advance was held up by machine-gun fire, our left flank in the air, and we were being fired on from the rear, he made a reconnaissance over very exposed ground. Meeting a party of the enemy he shot seven, dispersing the remainder. On the 28th August, 1918, when the battalion attacked Jigsaw Wood, he again made several reconnaissances over ground swept by heavy machine-gun fire, keeping touch with the unit on the right flank and contributing greatly to our successful advance.

651746 Pte. M. Mackinnon, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When on traffic control duty at a cross road, between Wancourt and Guamapple on 1st September, 1918, an ammunition lorry was struck and destroyed by an aircraft bomb. This congested the traffic, as no vehicle could pass the burning lorry with its six-inch shells exploding at intervals, and the aeroplane machine-gunned the area lit up by the flame. With great energy and presence of mind he

rolled the heated shells off the road, and after two hours succeeded in disentangling the congestion.

129878 C./S./M. M. K. McLennan, M.M., 72nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations east of Amiens, from 8th to 13th August, 1918. During the attack on Chilly he personally led a small party and reconnoitred well in front and to the left of our line which was exposed, and coming in contact with an enemy machine-gun post he rushed it, shot two Germans with his revolver, captured the gun and drove off the rest of the crew in disorder. Throughout he displayed remarkable foresight and great determination.

767056 L./Sjt. A. MacMillan, 3rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on the Drocourt-Queant system on 2nd and 3rd September, 1918, he took charge of the platoon. When the officer and sergeant became casualties, and when the advance was held up by machine-gun fire, he handled his men with great skill and made use of the fire of his Lewis gun with excellent judgment, and was eventually able to push on to the objective, where he consolidated with considerable ability. He displayed great gallantry and coolness under heavy fire, and set a fine example to his men.

187215 Sjt. M. F. McNeill, 8th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty throughout four days' operations under heavy fire during the advance on the Canal-du-Nord. On the fifth day, during an advance on the canal, when all his company officers and C.S.M. were killed, he took charge and handled the company with skill and judgment.

118088 C./S./M. K. McRae, M.M., 2nd Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

During the attack on Le Quesnoy on 10th August, 1918, his company commander was killed early in the day. He at once took charge, and carried on the advance until relieved by an officer. Later, when the right flank was enfiladed by a hostile machine gun, he himself worked round and bombed it, causing the crew to abandon their gun. At another period, together with one other man, he charged and killed eight of the enemy who were firing on our men. His contempt for danger and organising ability were remarkable throughout, and contributed largely to the success.

425069 Sjt. C. H. Meadows, 52nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and determination on 15th August, 1918, during the attack on Damery, he led the bombers down a sap which was occupied by the enemy. He supervised and assisted in bombing the enemy out of the block, capturing five machine-guns. He then cleared the way for the platoon behind. He was the first to enter the village, and kept working his men along. On reaching the objective, with one other man, he continued to follow the enemy until they made a stand; he was able to furnish a good patrol report. He was wounded, but refused to be sent out, and carried on throughout the day, doing excellent work.

737046 Sjt. R. A. Merritt, 43rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack at Domart on 8th August, 1918, he was in charge of a platoon. A thick fog set in, and because of this the Tanks which were advancing with us mistook our men for the enemy, and fired upon them. He displayed the greatest coolness and courage under these trying conditions, and led forward his platoon in attack on Dodo Wood. During the advance he had to change direction twice, and but for his clever leadership and gallantry under machine gun fire from the enemy and fire from our Tanks the position might have been serious. He also put a machine gun, which was holding up the advance, out of action.

644073 L./Cpl. W. R. Middleton, 116th Bn., Can. Infy.

On the 8th August, 1918, near Domart, he was the means of capturing three enemy machine guns. On one occasion when the platoon was held up by machine-gun fire he advanced across the open, firing his gun from the hip, and, although under heavy machine-gun fire himself, he put out of action the gun he attacked, and made prisoners the entire crew of seven men.

109491 Sjt. J. B. Mitchell, 4th Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry in action near Folies on 9th August, 1918. When our advance was held up by an enemy anti-tank gun, firing point-blank at our troops, he led two Lewis gun sections to a commanding position under heavy fire, forcing it to withdraw and inflicting casualties on the men and the horses of the team. This act undoubtedly saved the battalion many casualties. He displayed great resource throughout the day.

63645 Sjt. E. C. Moorby, M.M., 1st Bn., Can. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Cagincourt, on the 2nd September, 1918. When his section officer was wounded he led the section forward in close support of the infantry, charging a machine-gun nest, killing the crew of one gun and putting another out of action. When the battery commander was wounded he took charge of the whole battery until severely wounded himself. His leadership was an inspiration to all ranks.

111331 Cpl. (A./Sjt.) C. G. Moore, 5th Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations near Bouchoir, on 9th August, 1918. When his company was held up by heavy machine-gun fire, this N.C.O. on his own initiative worked his way forward and captured a machine-gun, and killing the team thus enabled the company to advance. Later, he went forward with his section and succeeded in taking a 4.1 gun, killing the officer in charge and making the crew prisoners. His boldness, determination and utter disregard of danger were admirable.

153100 Cpl. J. Mowat, 43rd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and coolness in the attack at Domart, on 8th August, 1918. A heavy enemy barrage while the company was in the assembly area caused numerous:

casualties and some confusion. This N.C.O. by his courage and coolness greatly assisted the officers in getting the men forward. He also materially helped to get the company to their objective when a thick fog set in and the company had twice to change direction. On another occasion during the advance an enemy machine-gun post delayed them; he rushed forward, put the machine gun out of action, and killed six of the gun crew.

10863 Sjt. J. Nixon, 4th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on the night of 31st August, 1918, during a very intense bombardment, he took the place of the Company Serjeant-Major, who was badly wounded. He displayed conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in organising stretcher parties and looking after the wounded under most trying circumstances.

530669 Pte. (L./Cpl.) F. C. Norton, No. 9 Can. Fd. Amb., C.A.M.C.

During the fighting east of Arras, 26th to 28th August, 1918, as junior N.C.O. in charge of bearers, he cleared cases under very heavy machine-gun and artillery fire for three days continuously. On the night of 28th August, 1918, he cleared wounded from Bois pu Sart, Jigsaw Wood and Boiry area, under intense artillery fire until he played three different groups of bearers out, but had his area cleared over ground which was almost impassable even in daytime for carrying stretchers. His leadership of his men and disregard of his own safety were at all times a magnificent example for his men and saved many men's lives.

129879 Cpl. N. Parkinson, 72nd Bn., Can. Infy.

This man was guide of the left flank of the battalion through the whole advance of twelve miles during operations east of Amiens. At the end of the first day's advance, he took up a position in a derelict tank in front and accounted for eight direct hits on the enemy in the open. On the 10th August, 1918, after reaching the final objective in front of Chilly, he took up a favourable position in front of our lines, and observing the enemy creeping up for a counter-attack, he gave the alarm, and in a short time accounted for ten of the enemy by deliberate fire. He furnished valuable information to his company commander during the operations. His valuable services are worthy of the highest praise.

1116 C./S./M. (now Lieutenant) C. Peacock, M.C., P.P.C.L.I.

During the attack on Jigsaw Wood on August 27th, 1918, when all the platoon officers of his company had become casualties, he took command of half the company and, urging them on, led them to the final objective. On reaching the objective he showed great initiative and resource in reorganising his command and establishing his position. Throughout the day, in a very trying situation and at all times under very heavy fire, he conducted himself with admirable coolness and gallantry.

745457 Sjt. W. J. Pearsell, 116th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack near Domart, on 8th August, 1918, the platoon was held up by an

enemy machine gun. He organised a party, surrounded the gun, and rushed it, killing the team of seven, also capturing thirty prisoners. All through the action he showed an utter disregard for his own safety, and showed great initiative in handling his platoon.

889668 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) J. Pearson, M.M., 22nd Bn., Can. Infy.

When his company commander and all the officers of the company had become casualties, in the advance to east of Cherisy on 26th, 27th and 28th August, 1918, he took command and led the men forward in face of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire with great gallantry and determination. When all the remaining officers of the battalion became casualties, he took command of the remnants of the battalion and consolidated the position, which he held with the small number of men left until the battalion was relieved. His splendid example inspired and encouraged all those under his command.

889120 Cpl P. Perreault, 22nd Bn., Can. Infy.

He was in charge of a Lewis gun section, which he led with great courage and determination in the advance east of Cherisy, in spite of many difficulties and in face of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. At the head of his section he rushed a machine-gun post, capturing the gun and making prisoners of the crew, thus enabling the company to advance. He was seriously wounded in this encounter. His splendid example greatly encouraged his men.

133094 Pte. C. Raine, 13th Bn., Can. Infy.

On September 3rd, 1918, during the attack on the Drocourt line, he took charge of two sections when the leaders became casualties in front of a strong point at the Drocourt support line, rallied his men, and, ordering covering fire from his Lewis gun, he led a storming party forward under terrific enfilade fire and, rushing the strong point, personally killed the crew of one gun, the other two machine guns immediately surrendering. He again rallied his men, and although badly wounded, led them forward until the objective was reached, and here, when doing very fine work consolidating the line, he was again wounded. His courage and initiative were a very fine example to the other men.

77832 Sjt. A. Reid, M.M., 16th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and able leadership during the second battle of Arras, on 2nd September, 1918. When his platoon was held up by a machine-gun, he crept round behind it and bayoneted the whole crew. Later on, he was wounded in the wrist, but continued in command of his platoon, leading them forward in the attack until he was obliged to be evacuated owing to loss of blood. His fine fighting spirit inspired his men.

55696 C.S.M. S. Ridley, 19th Bn., Can. Infy.

All the officers of his company having become casualties early in the attack near Vis-en-Artois, on 28th August, 1918, he took command, directing the advance in the face of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire with great gallantry and skill. The example of his disregard of personal safety and his fine qualities of leadership greatly contributed to the success of the operation.

418286 Pte. K. A. Ritchie, 42nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Monchy le Breux on the 26th August, 1918. He was leading bayonet man of the attacking company, and pushed forward with outstanding dash and determination. While his platoon was bombing up a trench, at the junction of two trenches he met a party of the enemy, approximately six, with a machine gun. He attacked them single-handed, killing three and forcing the others to withdraw, leaving the gun in our hands. His work was the most outstanding in the company throughout the operation.

160027 R. S. M. J. Roberts, 31st Bn., Can. Infy.

At Cherisy, on the 28th of August, 1918, when an order had been given to retire, he noticed some confusion on the flank; he immediately rushed to the spot, regardless of danger under very heavy fire, and rallied the men and conducted a very orderly withdrawal. During several days' hard fighting his gallantry under fire and his entire devotion to duty were a splendid example to all ranks of the battalion.

448896 Pte. T. J. Robillard, M.M., 22nd Bn., Can. Infy.

He was in charge of the battalion runners during three days' hard fighting east of Cherisy on 26th, 27th, and 28th August, 1918, and was indefatigable in his devotion to duty, exposing himself with complete disregard of safety under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. He carried his commanding officer, who had been wounded and lay in an exposed position, to a place of safety, and when the officer who then took charge was wounded also he superintended his removal from the field of battle. His splendid example was most praiseworthy.

153845 Sjt. D. Rose, 43rd Bn., Can. Infy.

For great gallantry and initiative in the attack on Dodo Wood on 8th August, 1918, when in command of a platoon. During the advance, he found that the enemy machine guns were firing on his company from the left rear. He formed his platoon to the left and silenced the guns, enabling the rest of the company to advance. He then led his platoon on to their objective. He was wounded early in the advance, but continued to lead and inspire his men.

428561 Pte. E. J. Rose, 7th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty east of Arras, on the 2nd/4th September, 1918. Although heavily loaded with the spare parts of a Lewis gun and four magazines, he rushed an enemy machine-gun post, bayonetting one of the crew and capturing nine others and two machine guns. This so demoralised the enemy that large numbers surrendered to his platoon immediately afterwards.

477797 Sjt. E. M. Ross, M.M., R. Can. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack on Bois de Sart on 26th August, 1918. Finding all officers had become casualties, he assumed command of the company. He himself led the attack in the face of an immense bombardment and withering machine-gun fire. Having reached his objective and finding his left flank unconnected, he himself proceeded over a wide stretch of open country and established connection

with neighbouring battalion. When heavily counter-attacked, he displayed extraordinary courage and determination in controlling defence. His personal gallantry and leadership were at all times an example for the company, while his sound common-sense, initiative and perseverance saved a critical situation.

18234 Cpl. P. Rouby, M.M., 2nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on the Canal du Nord on 3rd and 4th September, 1918, he was on patrol under heavy fire and located an enemy post holding a bridge-head over the Canal. He informed the troops in our main trench, and, taking two men with him, he rushed the post, killing several of the garrison, and taking three prisoners from whom valuable information was obtained. His gallantry and devotion to duty were conspicuous throughout the operations.

877647 Pte. W. J. Russell, 42nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the operations at Boiry Notre Dame on the 28th August, 1918, his company was held up by an enemy machine-gun in an old gun emplacement. He worked round their right flank, killed the machine gunners with a bomb, and put the gun out of action, thus enabling the company to push on. As a company runner he delivered numerous messages through heavy fire, and his conduct throughout the operation was a splendid example of devotion to duty.

18396 A./B./S./M., A. B. Salmon, 1st Bn., Can. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Cagnicourt, on the 2nd September, 1918. This W.O. took command of a section after the officer had become a casualty. He went forward and reconnoitred commanding positions, from which he brought his guns into action, silencing those of the enemy. Three times he passed through heavy machine-gun fire in getting ammunition forward to his guns. He was severely wounded during the day's fighting.

788582 Cpl. T. H. Saunders, 3rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on 30th-31st August, 1918, he took charge of the platoon when the officer and all the N.C.O.'s were wounded or killed. Two of the crew of his Lewis gun became casualties, but he seized the gun, and, dashing forward to the enemy's wire, fired from the hip into the enemy, who at once surrendered. He led the platoon with conspicuous gallantry and skill until he was severely wounded later in the day.

487282 Sjt. M. D. Schell, P.P.C.L.I.

In the operations south of Scarpe 26th/28th August, 1918, when all the officers of his company had become casualties, he assumed command, and in an extremely gallant and capable manner continued to lead the men on, under very heavy fire. His good judgment in handling the company and his personal example of indifference to the enemy fire rallied the men at a very critical moment. He carried on until an officer was sent forward to take command. At all times he showed such a disregard for danger in carrying out his

duty that he was an inspiring example to the men, and assisted greatly in the success of the operations.

529651 S./Sjt. W. A. Scott, No. 10 Can. Fd. Amb., Can. A.M.C.

During the fighting east of Arras, 26th/28th August, 1918, he was on continuous duty directing the stretcher-bearers during the whole period of recent operations. Owing to the rapid advance he was frequently left in charge of the bearers, as the officer in charge had to reconnoitre and move his posts forward from time to time. During all this period this N.C.O. led his men and directed the clearing of the wounded from the central sector. His absolute fearlessness under heavy shell and machine-gun fire, his disregard of personal danger, and the example he set to his men of energy and cheerfulness in most arduous circumstances was responsible for the collection and rapid evacuation of the wounded.

925067 Sjt. H. Sharp, 52nd Bn., Can. Inf.

On 15th August, 1918, during the attack and capture of Damery, when it was seen that another platoon, who were in the open, should be reinforced, he took some of his men to the support of the platoon, working them through rifle and machine-gun fire without casualties. The aid given by his promptness was invaluable at this moment. When an officer was badly wounded close by he helped to get him in under heavy machine-gun fire. Throughout the day he showed great coolness, courage and leadership.

865348 Cpl. A. Sheldon, 8th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and exceptional leadership. Before the attack on two important trenches, he personally made a most daring reconnaissance of the front in face of the severest machine-gun fire and brought back excellent information. Again, on 2nd/3rd September, 1918, during an attack on the Drocourt-Queant line, he commanded a platoon, which he handled with conspicuous ability and resource.

1042233 Sjt. T. T. Shields, P.P.C.L.I.

On the night 12/13th August, 1918, in a bombing attack up a trench south of Parvillers he displayed great gallantry and resource. His section was attacked in rear by a large enemy force. This forced a retirement, but by skilful handling and judicious use of bombs he withdrew the section to a place of safety. When his own bombs ran out he used enemy ones and inflicted numerous casualties. He showed an utter disregard of danger and great coolness in handling the situation.

775972 Sjt. F. Shrubshall, 38th Bn., Can. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry during the operations south of Lihon on 10th August, 1918, when the advance of his platoon was held up by an enemy machine-gun post. He charged the position single-handed and, though the enemy got the gun away, he killed two of the crew. His action aided the advance of his platoon. During the entire action his example and disregard of his own safety were an inspiration to the men of his platoon.

24877 R./S./M. T. Sim, 13th Bn., Can. Inf.

On 2nd September, 1918, in the attack on the Queant-Drocourt system, when the Coy.-Sjt.-Major was wounded, he took over his duties and rendered most invaluable assistance. He twice made reconnaissances under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire, and was wounded while on the second one. It is impossible to speak too highly of his resourcefulness, calm judgment, and cheerfulness under very trying circumstances.

141288 Sjt. J. Simpson, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

During the operations at Upton Wood on 30th August, 1918, he led his platoon with great gallantry and determination against the enemy advancing to counter attack, though the troops on his flank had withdrawn. His coolness and courage under heavy machine-gun fire inspired his men with the greatest confidence and tenacity, and the position, which appeared hopeless, was maintained.

2617004 Pte. E. C. Spicer, R. Can. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations commencing 26th August, 1918, east of Arras. For three days and nights this stretcher-bearer worked incessantly, tending our wounded under heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. After our line had been withdrawn he went forward time after time to our former position and tended the wounded himself, carrying them back to safety. He stayed, although in close proximity to the enemy, out in front of our line all the night of 26th August dressing our casualties and carrying them into shell-holes. His pluck, determination, and skill saved many men's lives.

424228 Pte. A. D. Stewart, 5th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 1st September, 1918, east of Hendecourt-lez-Cagnicourt. In the attack he carried out valuable reconnaissances under severe shell and machine-gun fire. After a set-back, he worked strenuously in reorganising for a counter-attack by carrying messages and guiding parties to their positions. Throughout the whole day he was backwards and forwards between the front line and Bn. H.-Q. with reliable reports and information.

799670 Pte. D. J. K. Still, 15th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Hendecourt, on 31st August, 1918, during a heavy barrage on a trench where he was acting as a stretcher-bearer. Hearing someone call for help, he climbed out of the trench and brought back a wounded officer. Throughout the two hours which the barrage lasted he kept on fetching in wounded, although slightly wounded himself. The pluck and enterprise he showed were quite exceptional.

469402 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) J. W. Stoker, 4th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood, on 30th August, 1918, he led his platoon with great gallantry and skill through an intense barrage of machine-gun and high explosive shell fire, materially contributing to the capture of two machine guns and several prisoners. Later, in the attack on the Canal du Nord, he led a battle patrol forward to the bridgehead on the canal, getting in touch with the enemy with

great ability. He took over the duties of Coy. Sjt.-Major when the latter was wounded. Throughout the operations his conduct inspired all under his command with great confidence, and his men followed him unwaveringly.

645049 Sjt. H. Tame, 7th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. At the commencement of the attack east of Arras, on 2nd/4th September, 1918, his platoon officer was wounded, and he took command, leading it successfully to the final objective. On the way he worked up to a machine gun post which was checking the advance and shot the two gunners. He worked unceasingly and showed fine powers of leadership.

800152 L./Sjt. C. Taylor, 15th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a platoon in two days' fighting west of the Drocourt-Queant line, on the 1st/2nd September, 1918. He led his men with consistent skill, keeping them steady under extremely heavy machine-gun and shell fire, and repeatedly leading attacks on enemy strong posts. His coolness and resource were a fine example to his men.

449083 Pte. P. Tessier, M.M., 22nd Bn., Can. Infy.

He took charge of his Lewis gun section when his seniors became casualties, in the advance east of Cherisy, on the 26th/27th August, 1918, and led the men forward with great gallantry and determination in the face of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. He was wounded, but declined to be evacuated. All his men became casualties, but he advanced alone until he was wounded again, so seriously that he had to be carried away. His courage and splendid example materially helped the success of the operations.

55723 C./S./M. J. E. Thomas, 19th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry at Marcel Cave on 8th August, 1918. Seeing the advance held up by an enemy post of three machine guns, he at once gathered together all the men he could, organised and led them in a successful charge against this point, and killed or captured the whole of the garrison. By his quick grasp of the situation and his power of leadership he saved a serious hold-up in the attack. His coolness and initiative throughout was magnificent, and he was of the greatest assistance to his commander all through the operation.

139770 C./S./M. F. J. Thompson, 3rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on Upton Wood on 30th/31st August, 1918, when the advance was held up by artillery and machine-gun fire, this warrant officer collected men from different units and, supplying them with bombs, led them forward with great gallantry and determination and captured two machine guns, killing the crews, and himself using the bayonet with very great effect. His splendid initiative was most inspiring to all ranks.

835512 Pte. W. Todd, 4th Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the action on 9th August, 1918,

near Folies. When acting as stretcher-bearer with his platoon during the advance a Tank, which had been hit and had caught fire, whereupon he, on his own initiative and without assistance, rescued the crew from the burning Tank. They were all wounded, and he dressed their wounds and got them to a place of safety, calling to a carrying party to remove them. He then rejoined his platoon and carried on with them throughout the action.

441179 Pte. C. Trowse, 42nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry during the action at Parvillers on 12th August, 1918. He was leading bayonet man of his company, which captured over a mile of strongly-garrisoned and stubbornly-defended trench. He himself bayoneted more than ten Germans and shot several others who attempted to escape overland. On reaching the objective he successfully held a most important and dangerous post against enemy counter-attacks. His work throughout contributed largely towards saving the position.

184094 L./Sjt. (A./Sjt.) A. Underwood, 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt, on the 2nd September, 1918. His platoon commander having been killed, he took command, and, owing to devastating fire, called a halt. He then went forward and carefully reconnoitered the best methods of approach against the enemy strong point in a sunken road. He then made his plan of attack, rushed the position and killed or drove off the garrison. The reconnaissance and final attack were both carried out under a heavy fire.

415752 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) G. T. Vincent, 25th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and leadership during the attack from Ville's Bretonneux to Guillaucourt, on 8th August, 1918. When his platoon commander had been killed, he led the platoon with great skill and judgment. At a critical moment in the advance the battalion was held up by a machine-gun nest. This N.C.O., with prompt initiative, organised his platoon, rushed the position and captured it. His quick and daring action enabled the advance to continue.

16940 C./S./M. A. H. Waddington, 7th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations east of Amiens on 8th and 9th August, 1918. While the company were consolidating the position east of Caix, this W.O. noticed movement in a wood about 500 yards to the right rear of the company. He made a reconnaissance and found the wood held by a large body of the enemy, who were apparently preparing for a move against our right flank, which was in the air. He at once directed a platoon against the wood and the enemy were driven out. His prompt action cleared up a dangerous situation.

On the morning of the 9th August, when troops of another unit were passing through his company to carry on the attack on Vrely, he, regardless of the heavy shell and machine-gun fire playing on the position, remained on the flank of his company and met all officers passing, giving them full information of the

situation in front. This action resulted in the enemy's positions being outflanked and taken with few casualties. He was himself wounded in performing this voluntary duty. Throughout he set a splendid example of courage and devotion to duty.

21437 C./S./M. T. Walker, 1st Bn., Can. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, at Cagnicourt, on the 2nd September, 1918. When the officers became casualties from intense machine-gun fire, he took command and galloped his limbers forward into a sunken road. In this isolated position he got a section into action, exposing himself to intense machine-gun fire in order to observe and direct the fire of his guns. Under cover of their fire the remaining four guns were able to take up defensive positions and the limbers got safely away. He was able to hold on until the infantry fought their way to his assistance.

153333 Pte. W. Walkling, 43rd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack at Domart, on 8th August, 1918, this man's platoon commander and serjeant were both killed. He took charge of the platoon and successfully carried them on to their objective. By his prompt action, leadership, and initiative he completed with the platoon a very difficult flanking movement then in progress against Dodo Wood, and led them through stiff enemy resistance to their objective.

425164 Sjt. E. Watson, R. Can. R.

For conspicuous leadership and good work during the operations from 8th to 15th August, 1918. He commanded a platoon the whole time and handled it with great skill while engaged in clearing up White House and the capture of Parvillers. By careful dispositions he outflanked and captured two enemy machine guns without a single casualty to his platoon. His devotion to duty and fine example was an inspiration to all his men.

466173 Sjt. G. Watson, 13th Bn., Can. Infy.

For most conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 2nd September, 1918, in the attack on the Drocourt-Queant line the right platoon of the company had lost its officer and was held up, and seriously impeding the advance of the company. He dashed across to the platoon through heavy machine-gun fire, and taking charge of it, quickly organised a storming party, which he himself led, against the machine-gun nest under heavy fire. Single handed he accounted for the crew of one gun, and the nest of three guns was captured. He was badly wounded in this rush, but refused to go out, and continued to advance with the company until too weak from loss of blood to go further. His quick action saved a difficult situation, and his fine example inspired the men with great courage.

757471 A./R.S.M. J. W. Watters, 116th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the operations near Amiens on 12th/13th August, 1918, he commanded a platoon, and has performed a series of feats which have been the means of destroying many of the enemy. During the attack near Damery he rushed an enemy machine-gun post, killing the crew and capturing the gun, thus enabling his platoon to advance to their objective. He

has at all times inspired his men by his personal courage and leadership.

434559 Pte. H. Webb, M.M., 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

On the night of 18th/19th August, 1918, at Fresnoy, he was one of a battalion patrol which entered the enemy trenches. He showed great skill and daring, personally inflicting many casualties, being at the head of the patrol. When the patrol was forced to withdraw, the officer in charge being wounded, he stayed at the rear, at great personal risk, and engaged the enemy with his revolver, in this manner covering the withdrawal of the remainder of the party. He also aided his wounded officer to get back to our lines.

751443 Cpl. O. W. Weichel, 1st Bn., Can. Infy.

At Upton Wood, on 30th August, 1918, he went out under very heavy machine-gun fire, and single handed accounted for four snipers who were hampering the advance. His gallantry and initiative were worthy of high praise. He was subsequently severely wounded.

129070 Sjt. (A./C.S.M.) W. A. Wellband, 72nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations east of Amiens from 8th to 13th August, 1918. He acted as C.S.M. during the attack on 8th August. During the attack on Chilly he took command of the leading platoon when its officer was wounded, and led it to the final objective through intense fire with great dash and courage. On the afternoon of 11th August, during a lull in the enemy counter-attack, he went with his company commander on a reconnaissance, during which he personally killed five of the enemy and obtained most valuable information. His splendid services were invaluable to his company commander.

325004 Gnr. W. R. White, 55th By., 13th Bde., Can. F.A.

On 26th August, 1918, when acting as scout to the mobile section of his battery, he made daring reconnaissances in front of Arras and enabled his section commander to engage effectively enemy machine and 77 mm. guns which were holding up the advance. On 3rd September when the officer commanding his battery was severely wounded, he went through an intense barrage and secured a stretcher and carried him to safety. His courage and devotion to duty were conspicuous throughout the operations.

192621 Pte. J. D. Whitehead, 15th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty, near Hendicourt, on the 1st September, 1918. In one day's fighting on two different occasions he took enemy machine-gun posts single-handed, killing the crews and putting the guns out of action. His work throughout the attack won the admiration of all.

187776 C./S./M. J. Williams, 1st Bn., Can. Mtd. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry during the action at Hangard, on 8th August, 1918, when he assisted in the direction of the advance under very heavy machine-gun fire. He moved from section to section constantly pointing out tar-

gets and directing our machine-gun fire upon the enemy positions. On reaching the final objective he assisted in bringing in the wounded. His courageous conduct was a splendid example to all ranks.

418487 Sjt. J. Williamson, 42nd Bn., Can. Infy.

During the action at Parvillers on 12th August, 1918, at a critical juncture of the attack, when the enemy were reorganising for a counter-attack, he quickly grasped the situation and rushed down the trench with a small party, attacked, and disorganised the enemy. Later, by a swift flanking movement he, with his platoon, captured 36 of the enemy and two machine guns.

252822 L./Cpl. H. Wilson, M.M., 10th Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Villers-les-Cagnicourt on 2nd September, 1918. When a large party of the enemy had been driven out of a position, he ran down a trench with his Lewis gun and brought accurate fire on them at close range, killing many and throwing the remainder into utter confusion. Following closely on their heels, he brought such severe fire to bear on them when they did attempt to rally that they were forced to a further retirement. Shortly afterwards he was knocked out by a shell burst, but on regaining consciousness insisted on remaining with his company. The following day he led the platoon with success when all the other N.C.O.s had become casualties.

406202 Sjt. H. Wren, M.M., 4th Bn., Can. Infy.

During the attack on the Drocourt-Queant line on 31st August, 1918, his company came under very severe machine-gun fire, but he rushed forward with great gallantry and initiative, and skilfully manœuvring a section of his platoon captured two machine guns and 30 prisoners, and cleared up a difficult situation. His prompt and determined action enabled the company to advance without casualties.

145400 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) R. E. Young, 42nd Bn., Can. Infy.

For conspicuous courage and devotion to duty during the action at Parvillers, 12th August, 1918, in the course of ten hours of hand-to-hand fighting which resulted in the capture of over a mile of enemy trenches. Three times when his platoon was held up by machine-gun fire he rushed forward and, single-handed, disposed of the gun-crews, and enabled the advance to continue. He showed magnificent dash and determination.

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165 Sjt. A. V. Chan, 8th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Lihons, 11th August, 1918, in charge of a platoon on the right. When the objective was reached, he found a defensive flank as the unit on his right had not got up. The enemy then counter-attacked in front, and as his platoon was very weak he let them come into the trench, when each man threw his one remaining bomb and then rushed

in with the bayonet, completely surprising the enemy, and restoring the situation. He handled his men with fine judgment.

828A Pte. J. Cheverton, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the advance near Lihons on 10th August, 1918. He, with three others, captured a strong post, killing the crew of a machine gun, and enabling the advance to continue. When all the N.C.O.s in the vicinity had become casualties he collected stragglers and led them through the wood, advancing with a patrol 400 yards towards the enemy's defences, bringing in useful information to the company commander.

636 L./Cpl. J. Clark, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 23rd August, 1918, near Foncancourt, in charge of limbers moving through St. Martin's Wood to the battalion dump. He made three separate trips under H.E. and gas shelling, bringing the limbers through, though the horses were almost unmanageable. His courage and determination ensured the supply of rations and ammunition.

3634 L./Cpl. R. Cock, 18th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in the attack on 8th and 9th August, 1918, east of Amiens. On the first day he led his section through the village of Warfusee, although it was unknown whether it was occupied. The next day, when his platoon commander was wounded, he advanced alone and bombed the foremost enemy post, putting a machine gun out of action and capturing the crew. His keenness and energy in leading the platoon and sniping from advanced positions were worthy of high praise.

3712 Pte. A. C. Collard, 8th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Herbville Wood on 23rd August, 1918. He rushed at a nest of machine guns, and, throwing a bomb between the two guns, killed two and wounded three of the enemy. The remainder went back to another post, but, turning their own guns on them, he drove them out of that too. Later he ran along the parapet of a trench, bombing the enemy with their own bombs until they surrendered. His courage and initiative were amazing.

206 C./S./M. A. Dickinson, 18th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 8th and 9th August, 1918, east of Villers Bretonneux. On the first day when parties of various battalions lost direction in the fog and wire he guided them back to their correct positions through the enemy barrage. The following day he was of great assistance to his company commander, who was the only officer left unwounded, touring the whole front, getting into touch with flank units, and getting valuable information under continuous fire.

3068 Sjt. T. Duncombe, 8th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in charge of the support platoon in the attack on Herbville Wood on 23rd August, 1918. He brought his platoon forward to reinforce under heavy fire of all sorts with

very few casualties. Later he went forward and sniped two machine-gunners who were firing from the entrance to a dug-out; he then threw two bombs into the dug-out, which brought up 23 men, including an officer, who, finding he was alone, attempted to retaliate, but he promptly shot him, and controlled the others until his men came up.

2612 Cpl. J. H. Farrell, M.M., 6th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Lihens on 9th August, 1918. He was the only man of his section left, so he attached himself to another company, taking charge of a gun section which had lost its leader. At the head of this section he stormed a strong post in a quarry, driving the enemy out. Although wounded, he continued in control of his men, until he was again wounded and had to be carried off the field.

6309 L./Cpl. E. L. Ford, 24th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on Mont St. Quentin on 1st September, 1918. During the advance he repeatedly provided covering fire with his Lewis-gun team, keeping his gun in action despite point-blank fire, and silencing two enemy guns. He captured 25 prisoners single-handed, cowing them with a burst of fire from his gun, which he held at his hip. His grit and enterprise were an example to all around him.

2642 2/Cpl. W. J. Harrison, 14th Fd. Co., Aust. Engrs.

At Flaucourt on 31st August, 1918, this N.C.O. was in charge of transport which was suddenly shelled heavily. Three drivers were wounded and horses killed. He himself was wounded, nevertheless, with great courage and endurance he helped the other wounded to a place of safety, and then returned and organised the work of clearing the wreckage until he was wounded severely a second time. He set a fine example of devotion to duty under very trying conditions, and his action prevented a serious block in the traffic which would have led to further casualties.

5706 L./Cpl. C. S. Higginbotham, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 10th August, 1918, near Lihons, when the company was held up by extremely heavy machine-gun fire. He and one man went forward and captured the gun, killing the crew of six. They then got the gun into action against the enemy. The next day he did some most useful daylight patrol work, showing courage and initiative on all occasions.

4751 Pte. G. Johanson, 17th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the advance east of Villers Bretonneux on 8th August, 1918. Acting as infantry observer in a fighting Tank, he several times got out and guided it through the mist under heavy fire, to keep it in touch with the infantry progress. Many enemy parties were encountered, and on one occasion he and another man killed eight before he could rejoin the Tank.

14336 Cpl. (L./Sjt.) A. P. Johnston, 1st Aust. and N.Z. Wireless Sig. Sqdn.

(MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during two attacks at Ramadi on 28th/29th September, 1917. He carried on the good work under heavy fire and under most trying circumstances. During previous operations he has rendered most valuable assistance and displayed marked coolness.

919 Sjt. H. Kelly, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the morning of 23rd August, 1918, near Peronne, when the attack was held up by machine-gun fire from a post 70 yards in front. He ran forward alone through intense fire and rushed the post, bayonetting some of the crew and bringing in 12 prisoners. On reaching the objective he took charge of the platoon after the officer had been wounded, reorganising the men under heavy fire.

6390 Pte. R. A. Kemp, 6th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 23rd August, 1918, at Herleville Wood. He volunteered for Tank work in the attack, and when his Tank ran into a tree within a few yards of a dug-out, and coming under heavy fire burst into flames, the occupants scrambled out half suffocated, were met by point blank machine-gun and rifle fire. He grasped the situation, and with a few men dashed forward, and in a hand-to-hand struggle captured the position, rescuing three of the wounded Tank crew, who had been made prisoners.

2305 L./Cpl. R. N. Kirby, 20th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack on Raincourt on 11th August, 1918. He rushed a machine-gun post single-handed, and although wounded in the attempt, succeeded in capturing and holding two machine guns and 14 of the enemy until the remainder of his section came up. He set a fine example of courage and initiative to the men with him.

592 Sjt. C. T. Law, 26th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on 2nd September, 1918, east of Mont St. Quentin, in charge of the company Lewis guns. When the advance was checked by machine-gun fire he took the gun of one of his crews, who had all become casualties, and single-handed, under very heavy fire, worked to a flank, firing the gun from his hip with such accuracy that he kept the hostile fire down and enabled his company to capture the position.

5124 L./Cpl. W. A. H. Law, M.M., 6th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Lihens on 10th August, 1918, where strong opposition was met with. He dashed forward from a flank with his Lewis gun section, and in the face of heavy fire attacked three machine guns, keeping his gun in action under a hail of bullets until he silenced their fire. He was always foremost with his section in every stage of the advance.

2636 Sjt. W. Lehane, M.M., 4th Bn., Aust. M.G.C.

For conspicuous gallantry near Etinchem on night of 12th/13th August, 1918, when in charge of two guns sent forward with the infantry. After disposing his guns for the defence of the new position he reconnoitred the surrounding area and came on a party of the enemy, whom he fired on with his revolver. On their bolting into a dug-out he stood over the mouth and called on them to surrender. They did so to the number of sixty, and with the help of two other men he marched them to an infantry post, and then returned to his guns. He showed great courage and initiative.

2285 Sjt. J. J. Luck, M.M., 18th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 9th August, 1918. In the advance on Rainecourt he was on the left flank of the battalion, which was unprotected and exposed to fire from a strong post about eighty yards off. He and five men crawled within bombing range and then rushed it, capturing one officer, twenty-nine other ranks, one anti-tank gun, two heavy machine guns, and a Lewis gun. His prompt and fearless action was of the greatest value to the advance on that flank.

6629 L./Cpl. J. Lynch, 7th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 23rd August, 1918, at St. Martin's Wood as liaison N.C.O. to the forward companies. He worked backwards and forwards through the barrage, maintaining constant touch between attackers and supports and keeping Bn. Hq. accurately informed of the situation. When his company was mopping up in the wood, he captured thirty of the enemy, and later went out under heavy fire and located the flank battalion on the right.

2893 Sjt. C. H. Masters, M.M., 8th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Herbyville Wood on 23rd August, 1918. He took charge of the platoon when his officer became a casualty, and getting them into a suitable position charged with the bayonet, getting into the wood and capturing forty prisoners and three machine guns. Later he bombed his way alone 200 yards up a trench, killing six of the enemy, and clearing the way for his platoon to advance over the top.

1758 Sjt. J. A. McClure, 23rd Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at the capture of Mont St. Quentin on 1st September, 1918. In the first attack he led the men of his platoon forward with great determination under a hail of fire, and reorganised them for the second attack. In the village he did splendid work, personally capturing two machine guns and disposing of their crews, and superintending the consolidation under close machine-gun fire.

3990 L./Cpl. W. Moore, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 23rd August, 1918, when his company was held up by machine gun fire in the advance on St. Martin's Wood. He crept

out to within fifty yards of the post and endeavoured to snipe the gun team, but, failing in this, he fetched up two rifle grenades, with which he killed two, and then captured the remaining six, enabling the company to advance.

4008 Pte. T. G. Mullane, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 9th August, 1918, near Vanvillers, in leading a charge against a machine-gun post which was causing heavy casualties. After capturing the post he rallied a few men and cleared the trench to his flank for several hundred yards. He continued his untiring efforts the next two days, and set a fine example to his comrades.

82 Pte. W. S. Neal, 26th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack near Mont St. Quentin on 2nd September, 1918. He was attached to the brigade snipers, and came into action against a large party of the enemy running along a shallow communication trench, killing twenty with his rifle fire. An officer then fired point-blank at him at forty yards range, but missed, and he immediately retaliated by shooting him. The rest of the enemy then turned round and surrendered. He also put a machine gun out of action by shooting three of the team. His coolness was remarkable.

2965 Sjt. A. I. O'Connor, 56th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in command of a platoon during an attack on Peronne 1st September, 1918, both in the assembly and the advance under heavy fire. The next day, all the officers being casualties, he took charge of the company, and was everywhere in desperate fighting throughout the day, reconnoitring, reorganising, filling gaps, gaining touch with the flanks, and drawing fire so as to cover other units in the advance. Over and over again he rose to the occasion and restored a critical situation, his conduct winning the admiration of all with him.

5889 L./Cpl. C. Peterson, M.M., 27th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when his platoon was held up by a strong post during the attack on Allaines on 2nd September, 1918. He advanced with his Lewis gun under intense fire to within fifty yards of the post, and with neutralising fire enabled the men of the platoon to rush it, capturing six officers and sixty other ranks. Although wounded he kept his gun in action until the situation was clear.

386 Sjt. G. T. Piper, 5th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 9th August, 1918, near Vanvillers. When his platoon officer was wounded, he took charge of the platoon and led it to its objective through heavy fire, helping the company commander in the consolidation. His courage and disregard of danger set a fine example.

655 Cpl. J. A. Renwick, 20th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 31st August, 1918, at Mont St. Quentin, when the advance of his company was held up by a machine gun-post. Instructing

his section to keep up a frontal fire on the post, he worked round the flank to within bombing distance, and successfully silenced it. Later on, he rushed and killed a sniper, and bringing up the rest of his section, seized the entrance to two dug-outs, capturing twenty prisoners.

3908 Sjt. H. J. Robinson, 6th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 23rd August, 1918, at Herleville Wood. When only one officer was left in his company, he took command of the right-half, and led the men to their objective, superintending the consolidation quite regardless of fire. Later, after beating off a counter-attack, he with two men set out under heavy fire, and established communication with the flank.

7685 Cpl. A. R. Simpson, 1st Aust. and N.Z. Wireless Signal Sqdn. (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry during an advance at Khan Baghdidi on 26th March, 1918. On this occasion, as at all times, he displayed unflinching energy, initiative, and coolness under fire, and set a fine example of devotion to duty to those with him.

4794 Pte. G. H. White, 26th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack east of Mont St. Quentin on September 2, 1918, as No. 1 of a Lewis gun. When his company were advancing across a flat swept by machine-gun fire, he located the gun causing the damage, and, pushing to within 60 yards of the post, shot the crew. Although in an exposed position, he then turned his gun on to the left flank, and, dislodging the enemy, exposed them to the fire of the advancing infantry. His expert and cool handling of the gun was largely responsible for the ultimate occupation of the objective.

6413 L./Cpl. G. E. H. W. Wilkinson, 18th Bn., Aust. Infy.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 8th and 9th August, 1918, east of Amiens. In the second attack, when the battalion had progressed 600 yards beyond the objective, and nearly all officers and N.C.O.s were casualties, he took command of fifteen or twenty men and consolidated. After three runners had been wounded, he took a message back to battalion headquarters himself. The next day he was the only one of a party who volunteered to bring up S.A.A. to a newly captured position who got through with his load. His fighting spirit was an inspiration to his comrades throughout the attack.

NEW ZEALAND.

30152 Pte. A. G. Akroyd, 1st Bn., Otago R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 4th September, 1918, in an advance on Havrincoart Wood, this man was in command of a party of eight men. The enemy had posted machine guns in strong positions, and this man showed great skill in rounding up these machine guns, capturing them and the crews. On the morning of 5th September, in front of Neuville, where an enemy machine gun was giving much trouble and causing casualties, he took another man

out and captured the gun and five prisoners. His initiative and contempt for danger were a source of encouragement to all ranks.

25/92 L./Cpl. M. Berry, 3rd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Gouzeaucourt Wood on 18th September, 1918, and on subsequent days to 12th September, 1918. During this period the communications forward from battalion headquarters were cut by shell fire and at all times the enemy continuously shelled our forward areas with H.E. and gas. He displayed great gallantry in maintaining telephone communication with the front line, keeping the wires in repair, thus ensuring rapid communication from front to rear. All the work had to be done under heavy shell fire in areas deluged with gas, but this man showed utter disregard for personal safety and at one time was out for five hours repairing lines. His devotion to duty was an inspiration to his comrades.

4/889 Cpl. A. T. Brokenshire, M.M., 1st Fld. Coy., N.Z. Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Crevecoeur on 1st October, 1918. He constructed a footbridge for infantry under heavy fire, and though repeatedly driven off by the fire, returned with his men until the bridge was completed. The next day he completed another bridge in the time required, though constantly under shell and machine-gun fire. His skill and tenacity were most marked.

27432 Sjt. R. D. Brown, 2nd Bn., Otago R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations about Haplincourt on the 2nd September, 1918. The battalion on the left failed to reach its objective, with the result that the left flank of the company to which he belonged remained "in the air." On reaching the first objective the platoon commander had been wounded, and he was left in command of his platoon isolated on both flanks. He immediately rushed the cross-roads, taking over fifty prisoners and several machine guns. He then discovered that the enemy were strongly entrenched behind him and between him and the flanking battalion. Reorganising his platoon, he maintained his positions until reinforcements came up and restored the situation. During the whole of the operations he displayed coolness and courage which were an inspiration to all ranks under his command.

9/2029 L./Cpl. B. P. De Latour, Otago Mtd. Rifs.

For gallantry and devotion to duty on the 24th August, 1918, in the vicinity of La Boisselle, when in charge of a patrol detailed to gain information of the enemy's position. Coming under very heavy machine-gun fire, he placed the horses of his patrol under cover and endeavoured to work forward with his men dismounted, but again machine-gun fire held them up. Fearing heavy casualties, he worked forward alone and succeeded in gaining location of enemy's positions and machine guns and capturing three prisoners single-handed. The information when reported to the artillery proved so accurate that the enemy were compelled to retire and so allowed our advance to continue.

36573 C./S./M. W. Deuchrass, 2nd Bn., Otago R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 24th August, 1918, during the operations round Bapaume. In the face of very heavy shell and machine-gun fire, he did very good work in reorganising the company when the attack was held up. When the company was well advanced he noticed a tank in difficulties, and the crew who were locked in were calling for help. At great personal risk he went forward and liberated them by bursting open the door with a crowbar. The tank at this time was drawing heavy fire from artillery, anti-tank and machine guns.

20512 Sjt. (T. C./S./M.) F. Ellery, 2nd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For the greatest gallantry and good leadership during the attacks on the enemy positions east of Gouzeaucourt Wood on 9th to 12th September, 1918. During the attack on 9th September, he was in charge of a platoon, and with great courage and skill he led his platoon on to the objective, and consolidated. On the 12th September he captured his platoon objective, and part of that of the platoon on the right, and owing to the failure of these troops to hold their objective his flank was exposed. He placed himself on the extreme flank, and his platoon kept up a continuous fight against vastly superior numbers of skilful and brave enemy troops for twelve hours, when they were at last relieved. His gallantry throughout the operations was a splendid example to his men.

28874 Cpl. A. Gillan, 4th Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the attack on Trescault Ridge on 12th September, 1918. The advance of our troops was held up by an enemy's strong point with three machine guns. With one man he worked around to a flank of the position, and then with great dash they both rushed the machine guns across the open. They threw bombs into the position, and then jumped in and either shot or bayoneted the entire garrison of three officers and twelve men, thereby saving many casualties to our troops and facilitating the capture of our objective. He showed great initiative and utter disregard for danger.

52995 L./Cpl. L. Greenbank, 1st Bn., Wellington R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the 13th September, 1918, during the operations near Gouzeaucourt. When in command of his section, he showed the utmost disregard for danger during an attack on a strongly held enemy post. He personally led his section and rushed an enemy machine gun, which he put out of action himself. In spite of heavy casualties in his section, he with two men continued the attack by bombing a superior enemy force from a strongly fortified post, and gained his objective. He remained with his section until wounded. He set a splendid example to his men.

No. 24/186 Pte. M. Healey, 2nd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For most conspicuous gallantry during the attack on enemy positions near Gouzeaucourt on 12th September, 1918. He was one of a patrol which pushed on after capture of the

objective to the position held by the enemy support company, 800 yards in front of our line. During the attack on the enemy support company he was placed in the most dangerous position where, though isolated from the rest of the patrol, he carried on the fight alone, killing ten of the enemy with bayonet and bullet and wounding an officer who appeared to be of high rank. His fine work was largely responsible for the surrender of those of the enemy company alive.

25/887 Sjt. J. Keatley, 3rd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Gouzeaucourt on the 9th September, 1918. This N.C.O.'s company, after an advance over ground swept by machine-gun fire, was driven back, leaving several wounded men lying out in the open. Although wounded, he went back to report the situation to Company H.Q., and on his return, finding that the attempts to rescue the wounded had only resulted in the would-be rescuers becoming casualties, he went out himself under a hail of bullets, and rescued two men. On reaching a third man, he found he was already dead. He saved these two from becoming prisoners, and set a magnificent example to all ranks.

24/815 Sjt. T. R. Kennerley, 2nd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Gouzeaucourt on 9th-12th September, 1918. On the 9th his officer having become a casualty, he led his platoon forward, clearing the wood of the enemy. When continuing the advance the enemy opened fire on his platoon from a machine-gun post. In company with a W.O. he rushed the post, killed the crews, and captured two machine-guns, thereby saving many casualties and allowing the advance to proceed. He assisted in the subsequent consolidation, and organised the remainder of the men to repel a counter-attack. On the 12th his company was attacking, and he again showed great gallantry. The crew of a Lewis gun had become casualties, and he took the gun into action himself and gave covering fire to enable his platoon to move forward. After the objective had been gained he ably assisted his platoon commander in beating off a counter-attack, and was wounded while using his Lewis gun on the retreating enemy.

24/2026 Sjt. B. V. Livingstone, M.M., 2nd Bn., Canterbury R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Ruyaulcourt during 4th-6th September, 1918, when he, with another battalion signaller, was continuously mending wire. During all the actions which his battalion has been in since the 23rd August, 1918, he has again and again faced almost certain death, and continued to maintain telephonic communication between units. On one occasion during very heavy shelling and in the dark, although thrown over by concussion from a shell, he, accompanied by another battalion signaller, mended ten breaks between Bn. H.Q. and Metz, and enabled the battalion to keep in touch with Bde. H.Q. at a very critical time. His coolness under fire and disregard for his own personal safety were an inspiring example to all ranks.

4/1818 Sjt. R. V. Manson, M.M., N.Z. Divl. Sig. Coy., N.Z. Engrs.

On the morning of the 12th September, 1918, during an attack by his brigade east of Havrincourt Wood, the hostile barrage broke all forward line communications. He went out early to get the lines through, and worked unceasingly under the gas and shell bombardment for seven and a-half hours. By that time he had restored the communications. On one occasion during the period he was gassed and fell unconscious. Half an hour later he was brought to by the explosion of a shell alongside him, and continued his work. Later in the day he organised a party to lay new lines to the left and centre battalions, and again carried out his work despite the enemy fire.

35299 Sjt. M. O'Grady, 2nd Bn., Canterbury R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty near Ruyaulcourt, 4th/6th September, 1918. When his company was held up by machine guns within 200 yards he twice got up from cover to draw their fire and locate them, and did so successfully, enabling the advance to proceed. On 5th September he penetrated Havrincourt Wood between two enemy posts and brought back accurate information as to the enemy's dispositions. The same night, after patrolling the wood, which was still occupied in places by the enemy, he succeeded at dawn in getting in touch with the battalion on the left. His cool courage on all occasions were an example to all ranks.

32378 Cpl. P. S. Putnam, 1st Bn., Canterbury R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Mill Cross, east of Bapaume, on the 2nd September, 1918. Some enemy machine guns at the cross roads were holding up the advance and causing many casualties. He took his section and led them round to a flank under heavy fire, and succeeded in killing or capturing the enemy crews, and enabled the advance to proceed. His courage and initiative relieved an awkward situation and saved many lives.

24/1189 C./S./M. P. A. Scully, 2nd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and initiative in the operations from September 8th to 13th, 1918, near Gouzeaucourt Wood. His company being without officers he took it into the final line to relieve troops who were to attack the following day. During the attack on

the 9th he had charge of his platoon in the support line and controlled it with great skill. On one occasion with one man he took a load of bombs to the front line, and when returning observed a machine gun firing on the flank of the battalion. He at once rushed it, and bombing the crew killed them all and captured the gun.

32923 Pte. J. L. Shackleton, 1st Bn. Canterbury R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the operations near Bapaume on the 2nd September, 1918. Although wounded he worked his way along a row of shell holes and disconnected trenches, and captured from 15 to 20 prisoners. He was unsupported, and his prompt action secured the left flank of the attacking party from any turning movement during the advance.

SOUTH AFRICA.

14304 Sjt. J. Warren, S.A. Spec. Ser. Coy. (E. AFRICA.)

For conspicuous gallantry and coolness in action at Numanroo, Portuguese East Africa, on the 24th August, 1918. He fired his machine gun with effect, showing great control over both gun and team. When his gun was out of action by a direct hit, his skill and promptitude enabled it to resume fire almost immediately.

AMENDMENTS.

The announcement of the award of the D.C.M. to No. 23301 B./S./M. C. Turner, D/16th Bde., R.F.A., which appeared on page 45 of the London Gazette, dated 1st January, 1919, is hereby cancelled, it having previously appeared in the London Gazette, dated 3rd June, 1918.

The second announcement of the award of the D.C.M. to the undermentioned Warrant Officers, which appeared on pages 38 and 39 of the London Gazette dated 1st January, 1919, is cancelled, and the awards should now read "Bar to D.C.M."

No. 9429 A./R./S./M. C. Clarke, D.C.M., Bord R., attd. 1st Bn., Wilts R.
(D.C.M. gazetted 3rd October, 1918.)

No. 313002 B./S./M. S. Eardley, D.C.M., 1/1st (N. Mid.) Hy. By., R.G.A., T.F.
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