

55715 A./B./S./M. A. E. Hayward, D/64th Bde., R.F.A. (Ashburton).

Near Strazeele, on 23rd July, 1918, he was No. 1 in charge of his gun when the enemy opened a very heavy bombardment of high explosive and gas. His gun-pit was soon full of gas and some of his ammunition ignited, wounding two of his men. He got the wounded men clear and kept his gun in action through the S.O.S., which went up immediately afterwards. He was in charge of his gun all through the Passchendaele fighting, and has rendered consistently good and gallant services during the past two years.

15051 Cpl. A. E. Heap, 24th Bn., Manch. R. (Oldham). (ITALY)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty under fire during the bridging and passage of the Piave, October 23rd-27th, 1918, and during more than three years continuous service in France and in Italy, particularly at the battles of the Somme, the Ancre, Bullecourt and Ypres (1917). He has invariably set a splendid example of courage and coolness.

422540 Sjt. J. F. Hearn, 2/10th Bn., Lond. R. (Battersea Park Road).

He showed great devotion to duty during the attack on Epehy, and he took command of his company after all his officers had become casualties. Although severely wounded in arm and leg and subjected to heavy machine-gun fire, he continued to direct the attack, and showed a fine example to all.

34123 C./S./M. (T./R.S.M.) W. Hedley, 2/4th Bn., O. & B. L.I. (Southsea).

He has always set a very fine example of smartness and discipline to all ranks under the most trying conditions. On several occasions his coolness and steadiness under fire has been most noticeable. On consecutive nights during April and May, 1918, near Robecq, he, by the able execution of his duties, rendered valuable service to his battalion.

G/4821 C./S./M. J. S. Hefford, 13th Bn., R. Fus. (West Green).

He has served with the battalion for nearly 3½ years. During this period as platoon Sergeant, C.S.M. and A./R.S.M. he has under all circumstances displayed marked courage, tact and judgment. During the period from August 21st to 11th November, 1918, he has been constantly in action with his company, and has during this time always shown the finest qualities of leadership and judgment.

9480 Sjt. E. E. Heley, 18th Bn., Midd'x R. (Walthamstow).

He has done consistent good work the whole time he has been with the battalion. While his platoon was wiring near Villers Guislain on the night of 22nd/23rd September, 1918, the enemy put down a very heavy barrage in their midst. He has many times acted as platoon commander, and has proved especially trustworthy under all conditions.

357480 Cpl. D. A. Hemstock, 37th Div. Sig. Coy., R.E., attd. H.Q., 124th Bde., R.F.A. (Shephed).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as non-commissioned officer in charge forward linesmen during the operations of

1916, 1917, 1918. He has been employed almost entirely on line work in the forward area. He has on all occasions shown the greatest keenness and determination in all his work, and his fine example of coolness under fire has had a great influence on the personnel under his command.

128004 Sjt. G. Henderson, 231st Sge. By., R.G.A. ([E] Reay).

On the 26th September, 1918, at Villeret, two guns were very heavily fired on during the day. He showed great coolness in taking all men to a flank, with the result that only one casualty was caused. Also on the 29th September a number of gas shells were dropped just in front of his gun. He continued working his gun for another two hours.

5919 Pte. T. Henderson, 37th Bn., M.G. Corps (Kilmurry).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On 4th November, 1918, having received information that the infantry progress had been retarded, he took his gun forward under very heavy machine-gun and shell fire, and inflicted very heavy losses on the enemy, at the same time keeping in touch with both flanks by placing out scouts. He has at all times shown an excellent example to the remainder of his section.

200055 Sjt. A. Hendry, 5th Bn., W. York. R., T.F., and 1/2nd K. Afr. Rif. (York). (EAST AFRICA)

On 31st August, 1918, at Lioma, he was conspicuous for cool gallantry while acting regimental sergeant-major in steadying his ammunition porters, who were shaken by heavy enemy machine-gun fire, and so maintaining a constant supply of S.A.A. for the firing line. On 6th September, 1918, at Pere, he controlled and maintained a steady supply of S.A.A. under heavy fire. He has consistently shown initiative and courage.

301944 Pte. T. Hennessey, 11th Bn., Manch. R. (Wigan).

For great courage and initiative during the operations north-west of Cambrai on the 27th September, 1918. He volunteered to clean up several dug-outs during the attack, and personally captured 17 of the enemy. Throughout he did excellent work, and was of the greatest assistance to his commander.

65906 Spr. J. Henry, 129th Fd. Coy., R.E (Mossdale).

During the general advance last October and November, 1918, he was detailed to undertake the delivery of several very urgent messages and reports to and from headquarters. He displayed great courage and devotion to duty on all occasions under very heavy fire.

110410 S./Sjt. A. J. Henson, 3rd Carr. Coy., Tank Corps (Richmond).

During the operations in front of Amiens, from 8th to 16th August, 1918, he rendered assistance to the tank when in difficulties. On 29th September, at Bellecourt, it was largely due to his efforts that 14 out of 15 tanks were able to rally after the action. His gallantry and determination in action