

15390 Rfn. P. Manderson, 4th Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For most conspicuous gallantry near Crevecoeur, on 5th October, 1918, during a minor operation in establishing bridgeheads across the Canal de l'Escaut. When his platoon came suddenly under heavy machine-gun fire, he immediately, with a complete disregard of danger, engaged two enemy machine guns with such effect that his platoon was able to reach the trench. Subsequently, when the platoon was heavily counter-attacked, and had to withdraw, he remained behind and covered the withdrawal.

29966 Cpl. M. J. Mulvaney, 1st Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on 8th October, 1918, near Crevecoeur. On reaching the final objective it was found that the enemy, about fifty strong, was holding a strongly wired trench with three machine guns. He was immediately singled out by an enemy machine gun, but with his second burst of fire he killed the enemy Nos. 1 and 2; a moment later he disposed of a second machine gun in the same way.

34906 Sjt. A. Nimmo, 3rd Bn., Otago Regt. (MESOPOTAMIA)

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Sain Kaleh on 6th August, 1918. He was with a small party detailed to cover the retirement of a column, and was left behind to bring the transport out of a village. He and another N.C.O. beat off a determined enemy attempt to capture the mules. Throughout the fight for fifteen miles he worked Lewis gun and rifle continuously.

24/875 C./S./M. T. O'Neill, 2nd Bn., N.Z. Rif. Bde.

For conspicuous gallantry as platoon serjeant on the 8th October, 1918, during operations east of Crevecoeur. When his platoon was held up by enemy machine-gun fire and his platoon commander wounded, he took charge of the platoon, got both his Lewis guns into position, and engaged the enemy. At the same time he personally worked to the flank of an enemy trench, and with a bombing section succeeded in killing several of the garrison and took the remainder prisoner.

4/433 L./Cpl. A. J. Randall, 3rd Fd. Coy., N.Z. Engrs.

At Le Quesnoy, on the 4th November, 1918, he was in charge of a ladder party detailed to place a ladder against the ramparts. He carried the ladder 1,200 yards through heavy fire, and went over with the first platoon into the fortress and removed mines from the bridges at the gates of the town. He showed great courage and determination.

30408 Pte. W. Sheriff, 1st Bn., Wellington R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Briastre on 12th October, 1918. He went forward with two platoons, and helped to carry wounded back through heavy shell fire. Later in the attack he again went out,

and whilst carrying in a wounded man a shell burst, killing the other stretcher-bearer. He carried the wounded man himself on his back to the advanced dressing station.

6/2764 Sjt. C. W. Stobie, 1st Bn., Canterbury R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations on Welsh and Rob Avis Ridges from 28th September to 1st October, 1918. When the enemy attacked the right flank of his company, which was in the air, he put up a stout resistance, and, though wounded in the face and both arms, continued to direct his men against the enemy, causing them to retire.

4/855 Sjt. A. Ward, 2nd Fd. Coy., N.Z. Engrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the night of 4th-5th October, 1918, at Rues des Vignes, in charge of a party detailed to launch a raft for the crossing of the St. Quentin Canal. He carried the material some 2,000 yards through heavy shell and machine-gun fire, and constructed the raft, enabling the infantry to cross at dawn.

9/461 Sjt. J. Weaver, Otago Mtd. Rif.

For gallant conduct on 8th Nov. 1918, when, with a patrol of two men, he galloped across country near Les Trois Maisons to draw hostile machine-gun fire and disclose machine-gun positions. On the 9th November, 1918, he again did very gallant work.

#### NEW FOUNDLAND R.

3481 Pte. J. H. O'Quinn, 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the advance east of Ypres on 29th September, 1918. He volunteered to reconnoitre positions from which hostile fire was causing casualties. Crawling forward, he bayoneted a sniper, and, advancing further, treated two more in the same manner. Later in the day he carried an important message through intense fire to battalion headquarters.

2603 Pte. R. Powers, 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an enemy counter-attack at Ledeghem on 3rd October, 1918. When his Lewis gun was destroyed by shell fire, he seized a captured machine gun, which was close by and opened fire, forming a defensive flank on the left of his battalion, and helping to break up the attack by the enfilade fire which he brought to bear with telling effect.

1826 Sjt. A. S. Rose, M.M., 1st Bn., R. Newfoundland R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in the night of 4th October, 1918, near the Menin-Roulers Road in charge of the battalion ration party. Owing to intense shell fire the party became demoralised and scattered. Entirely alone, he dressed the wounded and collected the rations while the bombardment was on, ultimately delivering them all to their respective companies.