

240012 C.S.M. (A./R.S.M.) J. J. French, Suff. R. (Sudbury).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty over an extended period of operations, and especially during two engagements, when he set a splendid example to the men by his coolness under fire and the ability with which he performed his duties.

29988 Pte. S. Fudger, Worc. R. (Worcester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at a critical moment when his platoon was held up by an enemy machine gun. He and an N.C.O. took forward their Lewis gun and attacked the enemy. Finding after a time that they had not put the gun out of action, they went forward with the greatest courage, accounted for the gun team and captured and brought back the gun.

11327 L./Cpl. W. Fuller, Shrops. L.I. (Lancaster).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack. He led his Lewis gun section to an advanced position close to an enemy machine gun which was holding up the advance and succeeded in silencing it. Though his flanks were exposed, by his courage and determination he hung on for two days and nights, thereby insuring the safety of the whole line. His great cheerfulness and courage was a wonderful tonic to his section under heavy fire.

6197 R.S.M. J. Furey, Rif. Brig. (Winchester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack he went to an advanced position to encourage the men and showed a very fine example of courage by shooting many of the enemy from a dangerous and exposed position, until he fell severely wounded. Even then he continued to encourage and cheer his men, and when the enemy were reported to be advancing in mass, although wounded in the stomach, he had himself helped to his feet and saw that every man was at his post. He displayed exceptionally fine pluck and devotion to duty.

266025 Cpl. W. H. V. Gandy, L'pool R. (Liverpool).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded in the foot during an attack, he refused to go to the dressing-station and took complete command of his platoon, as the platoon sergeant had been hit. His organisation and initiative in leading patrols were invaluable. At one period his information led to a machine gun being sent forward and dispersing many of the enemy, and his courage throughout set a splendid example to the men.

40037 Pte. G. Gardiner, Sco. Rif. (Dundee).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his platoon was held up by hostile machine gun and rifle fire, he advanced with his Lewis gun, clearing the enemy away as he went, and, working round their position, broke down their resistance and enabled his platoon to advance once more. Later in the day he observed parties of the enemy massing to counter-attack, and immediately brought heavy and effective fire upon them, inflicting many casualties, and

completely breaking up the attack. By his coolness and good judgment he very materially added to the success of the operation.

103826 Spr. R. Gardiner, R.E. (Gloucester).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Throughout the whole night before the attack and the following day he continually repaired telephone lines under very heavy machine gun and shell fire, always going out on his own initiative as soon as a line became disconnected. During an enemy counter-attack he took an active part in the defence of his line and showed the greatest fearlessness and determination throughout the operations.

10594 Cpl. S. E. Gay, Som. L.I. (Bath).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an action. Under heavy machine gun and rifle fire he delivered a message to an officer who was almost surrounded in an advanced position. On his way back he collected several small parties and a machine-gun detachment, and led them forward on his own initiative to reinforce the main body. Later, during an enemy counter-attack, he collected a party of runners and signallers and led them forward to reinforce the line. He showed the greatest initiative and courage throughout the operations.

292521 Gnr. E. C. Gee, R.G.A. (Nr. Maidenhead).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. After his battery had been ordered under cover, during an intense hostile bombardment, he went out voluntarily and carried in an infantry man, who had had his leg shot off, to a place of shelter. He afterwards continued to assist the wounded to the dressing station, displaying the greatest courage and disregard of danger during the whole period of heavy shelling.

341040 Sjt. W. Gee, R.A.M.C. (St. Helens).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. For over a period of five days he repeatedly led stretcher squads long distances, over muddy ground, under continual and heavy shell-fire; and on two occasions, aided by another N.C.O. and two men, brought a wounded man down on a stretcher for a distance of 600 yards in the open, through an intense enemy barrage, across ground that was in such a terrible condition of mud as to be almost impassable. Throughout the whole of this period he obtained practically no sleep, and by his wonderful example of grit and endurance great work was done by his men.

46962 Bomdr. W. Gibbons, R.F.A. (St. John's Wood, London).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He made four journeys into a tunnel which had been wrecked by heavy enemy shell-fire, in order to rescue the occupants of dug-outs, which were smashed up inside the tunnel. He twice rescued men, one by one, who were unconscious and pinned down by fallen timbers; but on his fourth journey he was rendered unconscious by gas fumes, and while in that state was rescued by two men of his battery. On regaining consciousness he insisted on returning to duty, but