

personally ran out lines to all the companies, under heavy fire, and maintained communication throughout the day by his energy in repairing breaks.

3968 Sjt. E. A. Williams, 46th Bn., Aust. Inf.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During the march to the jumping-off tape this N.C.O. directed and controlled his platoon with great coolness when it got into a heavy barrage and brought it through without loss. In attacking the second objective, when rifle and machine-gun fire checked the platoon, he rallied his men and dashed forward, causing the enemy to surrender. He set a remarkable example to his men.

#### NEW ZEALAND FORCE.

2/205 B./S./M. G. K. Bain, 2nd Bde., N.Z.F.A.

While ammunition wagons were being unloaded at a forward gun position, it was suddenly subjected to very heavy fire. His horse was killed under him, many team horses killed and wounded, and the drivers of one team thrown by the force of the explosion, and the team broke away. He stopped them, and, his officer becoming a casualty, he took charge, dumped the ammunition, and cleared the column. He returned alone, and destroyed all hopelessly injured horses. He set a magnificent example of courage and coolness.

12/324 Pte. W. G. Cavenett, N.Z. Cyc. Corps, attd. XXII Ind Corps Cyc. Bn.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This man was with the corps mounted troops in the vanguard of the division, which met considerable resistance from a redoubt. Single-handed he worked his way round to the rear, and despite the fact that he was fired on at short range by snipers and machine guns, rushed the post, bayonetting three of the enemy and taking a fourth prisoner.

9/1045 Sjt. D. Fletcher, N.Z. M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When his section commander had become a casualty he assumed command and displayed great coolness and initiative under very heavy machine-gun fire and bombing

counter-attacks by the enemy. He and one other man were the only unwounded in the team, but they kept the gun in action until both were wounded and until the infantry were compelled to withdraw, when they withdrew their gun and reopened fire. He then reorganised his section with marked ability, obtained fresh guns, and remained on duty throughout the day, sending back clear and valuable reports. By his personal courage and leadership he rendered very valuable service. He has previously done fine work.

59391 Pte. E. Lanauze, 2nd Bn., Wellington R., N.Z.F.

For conspicuous gallantry and good leadership. In charge of a patrol he made a thorough reconnaissance of a system of trenches forward of our line and brought back valuable information. Later in the day, when an enemy post had been established in this system he volunteered and took five men forward and attacked it, killing six of the enemy, wounding several others, and capturing two machine guns. He did splendid work.

#### AMENDMENTS.

The following are the correct descriptions of the Warrant Officer, Non-commissioned Officers and Men who have recently been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal:—

167 T./B.Q.M.S. S. Kanair, 36th Aust. Hy. Apty. Bde.  
(London Gazette dated 3rd September, 1918.)

513275 Sjt. A. C. Anderson, 14th Bn., Lond. R.  
(London Gazette dated 26th June, 1918.)

763295 Pte. H. Cutler, 28th Bn., Lond. R.  
(London Gazette dated 28th March, 1918.)

505251 L./C. B. Maude, 18th Bn., K.R.R.C.  
(London Gazette dated 30th October, 1918.)

9388 L./C. H. Bemrose, 1st Bn., Linc. R.  
(London Gazette dated 4th March, 1918.)

6/986 A./Sjt. T. Hyde, R. Muns. Fus.  
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