

93225 Cpl. T. L. Bailey, B/177th Bde., R.F.A. (Burslem).

He has been a very efficient battery clerk of this battery for two years. During the retirement in March, 1918, he proved to be a very gallant soldier, fought in the line with the infantry on the afternoon of the 21st, tended wounded officers and men, and on one occasion when the battery had to leave several dead behind he went out under fire to get their identity discs, etc. His services to the battery have been invaluable.

355584 C./S./M. H. Baker, 25th Bn., R.W. Fus., T.F. (Rhondda Valley).

For repeated acts of gallantry and initiative under fire, and devotion to duty. Also when called upon to act as R.S.M. he set a fine example by his coolness and ability in times of danger.

95318 2nd Cpl. (A./Cpl.) M. Baker, 152nd Fld. Coy., R.E. (Manchester).

During the period 25th February to 16th September, 1918, he has done most excellent work under trying conditions. He has throughout shown great coolness and indifference to danger, and the good work done by his section on several occasions has been largely due to his courage and excellent example.

45137 Sjt. L. J. Baldwin, D/330th (E. Lancs.) Bde., R.F.A., T.F. (Rowhedge).

For continuous good work in the battery during the past six months, especially during the retirement on the Somme in March and April, 1918. By his knowledge of the gun and his quickness and accuracy at laying he has greatly contributed to the turning out of good detachments, thereby adding to the fighting value of the battery. He has at all times been conspicuous for his cool courage and devotion to duty under fire, and has largely assisted in raising the fighting value of the battery to its present standard.

11138 L./Cpl. H. J. Bamford, 6th Bn., Som. L.I. (Bristol).

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has served in the battalion in France for three and half years. During this period as N.C.O. on transport he has never failed to deliver munitions or rations to the battalion however heavy the hostile shelling and machine-gun fire. At Paschendaele, where the work was particularly perilous, he volunteered to take pack mules nightly to the line.

45283 Sjt. F. Bareham, 113th Sge. By., R.G.A. ([E] Clacton, Essex).

For exceptionally good work as No. 1. He has shown marked courage, resource and determination in keeping his gun in action during very trying conditions, instances of which there have been many. His skill in manipulating guns over shell-wrought ground was magnificent.

240961 C./S./M. R. Barker, 2/6th Bn., Liverpool R., T.F. (Wakefield).

He has been on active service continuously since February, 1917. During the whole

period he has shown exceptional ability and devotion to duty. He has frequently acted as R.S.M. In active operations he has invariably displayed the greatest gallantry and coolness under fire and setting a very fine example to all other ranks.

27140 Sjt. (A./C./S./M.) W. J. Barnes, 85th Fld. Coy., R.E. (Dublin). (EGYPT)

By his devotion to duty and general excellent work at all times he is largely responsible for the high standard of efficiency of the company. His personal influence and tact have been of the greatest assistance to his C.O. both in action and at other times.

16516 Ctr. Sjt. (C./Q./M./S.) A. Barr, 9th Bn., Sco. Rif. (Creetown).

For consistent gallantry, good service and devotion to duty, especially during periods 21st March—5th April and 25th April—4th May, 1918, during battles of the Somme and Mont Kemmel, when as C.Q.M.S. he carried out his duties under circumstances of exceptional difficulty and danger.

588 Sjt. M. Barr, M.M., C/106th Bde., R.F.A. (Balloch).

Since July, 1917, as senior serjeant of his unit, he has always shown an entire disregard of danger and a high sense of duty in the performance of his work. In June, 1917, at Ypres, owing to casualties, he assumed the duties of battery serjeant-major and carried on efficiently throughout the action, although he had then been a serjeant for less than a month. During the fighting from Le Verguier to the Avre, from 21st March to 6th April, his work at the gun position was invaluable. Throughout he has set a fine example of cool courage.

53117 Sig. (Bdr.) H. C. Barrett, A/95th Bde., R.F.A. (Tooting).

He came out with his battery in September, 1915, as a signaller. He has always shown diligence and ability, and is now in charge of battery signallers. On many occasions he has performed excellent work mending telephone lines under very heavy shell fire, particularly so during the operations in March and May of this year, also during the present operations. He has never been away from duty, and always set a splendid example to his men by his courage and cheerfulness under most trying conditions.

624906 Sjt. M. E. Barrett, 1/B By., H.A.C., attd. 19th Bde., R.H.A. (U. Clapton, N.E.). (EGYPT)

For skill, initiative and devotion to duty at Jisr Ed Damieh on 1st May, 1918. He was in charge of a flank gun, acting under his control and independently of the rest of his battery. He fought his gun most ably and gallantly, and undoubtedly checked the right flank of the enemy. The enemy got to within 500 yards of his gun before being driven back, and he was under shell, rifle and machine-gun fire during a great part of the time. During the subsequent withdrawal of the battery he handled his subsection with great skill and an entire disregard of personal danger, and succeeded in bringing his gun and two wagons safely in.