6th Aust. Infantry

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1742 Cpl. George William TORNEY, D.C.M.

Subsequent to the successful attack on MONTEREHAIN, East of PERONNE, on the afternoon of 5th Oct., 1918, support platoons were sent forward to reinforce the new forward support line on the Northern edge of the village.

This N.C.J. led his section forward over ground exposed to heavy direct machine gun fire. Undeterred by this, he pressed forward until close contact with the enemy machine gun posts had been obtained, and then engaged them.

His agressive action caused the enemy to evacuate their forward posts and, whilst they were withdrawing, he brought machine gun fire to bear on them causing many casualties. Cpl. TOHNEY personally accounted for twenty of the enemy at close range, whilst his vigorous attack was responsible for the establishing of superiority of fire over the enemy, and for proper liaison between the posts on his right and left being obtained.

(D.C.M. awarded A.C.R.O. 210 No.40 31.7.18)

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