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19-1-17

from C.O. 8th Australian Field Ambulance

to A.D.M.S. 5th Australian Division

I desire to make the following recommendations for a French decoration.

1. N^o 13970 Warrant Officer Evan Arthur Roberts of 8th Australian Field Ambulance
2. N^o 6923 Private William Albert Hipfrey of 8th Australian Field Ambulance.
3. N^o 6611 Lance-Corporal Herbert Vincent Berry of 8th Australian Field Ambulance.
4. N^o 6753 Private Leslie Victor Townward of 8th Australian Field Ambulance.

On evening of 14/10/16 Ammanhires was heavily shelled and two fires broke out near the Abbatonia at 8.30 pm.

Warrant Officer Roberts in conjunction with Private Hipfrey reported to Sergeant in charge of Fire Brigade and assisted in quelling the fire until 3 am, under shell fire the greater part of the time.

Warrant Officer Roberts was placed in charge of a hose party for a time and by his efforts kept the men at work and prevented spread of the fire.

The statements as above are substantiated