

8TH INFANTRY Brigade. 5TH AUSTRALIAN Division. AUSTRALIAN Corps. 27TH JUNE, 1918. Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name (Christian names must be stated)	Action for which commended (Date and place of action must be stated)	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	30th Battalion. A. I. F.	310.	Corporal William <u>TRIPP.</u> <u>No previous award.</u>	On the night 19th/20th June 1918, when the Battalion was holding the front line in the MORLANCOURT Sector, South of ALBERT, the enemy placed a box barrage around the area held by this unit, the support and reserve lines being very heavily shelled for several hours. During this bombardment, Corporal TRIPP, in charge of 5 limbers and 2 water carts carrying the hot meal, rations and water for the garrison, approached the shelled area, and ascertained that the bombardment had been in progress about two hours. Realising the importance of getting the hot meal to the garrison, he promptly made a reconnaissance, and by his coolness and personal disregard of danger, successfully led the column to the dump without loss. Whilst at the dump, two mules attached to a limber were killed. Corporal TRIPP replaced them with two spare mules and led the whole column back through the barrage without further loss. (SIGNED) J.T. HOBBS, MAJOR-GENERAL. Commanding 5TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION. 8th Infantry Brigade. 23.6.1918. 25.6.1918. 5th Australian Division. 26.6.1918. 27.6.1918. Australian Corps.	E.TIVEY, Brig-Gen. Comdg. 8th Aust. Infantry Brigade.	MILITARY MEDAL.	

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