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1st Australian

1st Anzac

17th October, 1917.

Corporal Francis 2nd Australian 5845 Hachine Gun William HAHER. Company.

During the operations at BROODEZINDE RIDGE east O.C., of YPAKS on 4th to 11th October, 1917, this N.C.O. was in charge of a machine gun. He was H.G. Coy. wounded but refused to leave his post. His gun position was blown in by shell fire and he showed great coolness and ability in constructing a new position under very heavy shell fire and in getting his gum and men forward into it. His conduct throughout was splendid and his cheerful behavious and fine exhibition of courage and endurance were a great example to his men and no doubt prevented the weaker ones from giving way under the continual strain.

Major-General. Commanding 1st Australian Division.

Datexrecommendation passed forward.

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Brigade. 14/10/17. 18/10/17 17/10/17. Division.

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