

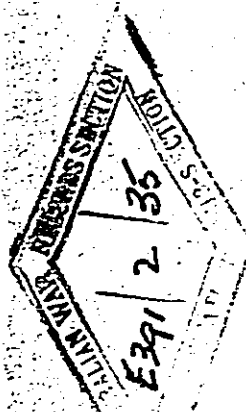
Brigade.

Division.

Corps.

Date of Recommendation

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regt. 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)
	3rd Ays Trench Mortar Batteries	1992	Corporal Barber Clement	On 4th July 1918 at Ville sur Aucre this N.C.O. was in charge of a trench mortar during an attack on the enemy line. The Battery of which he had formed part was very heavily shelled with 5.9's and the charges for the mortar were set on fire and the ammunition damaged. The crew was a new one and inexperienced. This N.C.O. with the greatest bravery and devotion to duty continued, not withstanding the heavy shelling, to carry on and fire his mortar and his coolness and determination held the crew together and enabled the piece to continue in action until eventually it was knocked out by a shell which burst right upon it. He has on previous occasions in his area recently shown great determination and coolness when in charge of his gun. His leading and bravery under heavy fire had the best example on the remainder of the personnel and enabled the gun to remain in action at a critical time under very great difficulty.	Captain B. H. Cairnes M.C.	Military Medal.	



W. C. Cairnes
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