

Lieut Townsend. H.E.

2nd Field Co
A.E.
1st A.I.F.
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for his ability and good work whilst in charge of a heavy party during the evacuation, particularly the demolition work connected with the Quos. Lieut Townsend personally carried out the laying of every charge and fuse in the 12 Quos that he destroyed and placed every man of his party at their posts. He demolished the Hotchkiss gun himself and during the whole time moved from place to place at great personal risk from both rifle and artillery fire. He also supervised the erection of a light embarkation pier on Brighton Beach from which the last of the troops on the right flank embarked.

L. J. Mather

O.C. 2nd Field Coy. Engrs. A.I.