

Div'l. Engineers ~~XXXXX~~ 1st Australian

1st Anzac

3rd October 1917.

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2nd Australian 46
Field Company
Engineers.

Sergeant James
Stanley HOPKINS.

During the operations along the MENIN ROAD on 20th Sept., 1917 he was in charge of sappers and 1st Aust. Infantry carrying stores leading them from ZILLER Division. BEKE Lake to a strong point in POLYGON WOOD. The party was dispersed several times by shell fire but by his coolness he each time re-assembled them, arriving at the strong point immediately behind the attacking Infantry and set his men to work. For 18 hours he displayed a splendid devotion to duty and sound judgment under the most dangerous and trying circumstances. Again on 22nd Sept., when conducting a party to the strong point through a fog, the whole party came under a heavy barrage and was badly cut up. Sgt. HOPKINS with great courage reformed the party and brought them forward to their work. His personal courage and sound judgment were a great example to his men.

Major-General,
Commanding 1st Australian Division.

Date recommendation passed forward.

	<u>Received.</u>	<u>Passed.</u>
Unit.		30/9/17.
Division.	1/10/17	5/10/17.
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