

6th Army Bde. A.F.A. Brigade. Division. Australian Corps. April 25th 1918 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)
	106th Battery 6th Army Bde. A.F.A.		Lieutenant Ferneleigh Silas TALL	On 24th April 1918 the enemy heavily shelled and gassed the road in the vicinity of BONNAY. During this day on three separate occasions this Officer performed exceptionally gallant actions in rescuing wounded men under very heavy shell fire and most difficult conditions. About 6 a.m. a man belonging to another Battery whose Wagon Lines are near by was wounded. Lieut. TALL, who has special knowledge, went through heavy fire to the man bandaged his wounds and assisted in carrying him to safety. About 12 noon a particularly heavy fire with 5.9s was opened on portions of the road. Lieut. TALL was assisting a wounded man elsewhere when he observed an ammunition wagon and team hit direct: the horses and drivers falling. He went immediately through a heavy barrage, extricated one of the men and carried him on his back through the fire to safety. Returning with one of his rank and file he again carried a second man to safety. Again at about 3 p.m. he with others rescued and carried to safety 3 other wounded men under heavy fire. Through out the day under most difficult conditions this Officer's conduct, determination and self sacrifice and the great use which he made of his special knowledge in bandaging and treating wounded without any regard to his own safety can only be described as magnificent. The example which he set was of the greatest value to others. He has previously both in the ranks and since he has been commissioned been under notice for bravery in action.	<i>Forwarded</i> Capt. J.W. Turner 106th Battery <i>Very O.K.</i> C.O. 6th Army Brigade A.F.A.	MILITARY CROSS	

	Received	Passed.
Battery	-	24.4.18
Brigade	25.4.18	25.4.18
R.A. Corps	26.4.18	28.4.18

*W. A. Allen*  
Brig-General  
G.O.C.R.A., AUST. Corps.

974

PR