

12th Aust. Inf. Brigade.

4th Aust.

Division.

1st. ANZAC.

Corps.

23/2/17.

Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	45th Battn. A.I.F.		CAPTAIN Harold Charles, HOWDEN, M.C.	<p>For gallantry and devotion to duty in organising and carrying out two attacks on an enemy's Strong Point and trenches at GUEDECOURT on the morning of 21/2/17 and night of 22/23 February. Owing to the abnormal wet state of the trenches, these attacks were carried out under great difficulty and the success of both attacks was largely due to Captain Howden's organizing ability and attention to details. On both occasions immediately the trenches were captured Captain Howden took charge and organized their defence. As the result of both operations nearly 500 yards of enemy's trenches were captured and held and nearly 60 prisoners taken.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>J. Robertson</i>Brig. General <u>Commanding 12th Aust. Inf. Brigade.</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">.....Major General <u>Commanding 4th Aust. Division.</u></p>	Lt. Col. S.C.E. HERRING.	Bar to MILITARY CROSS.	<i>J.H.</i>