

30th Battalion

No.	Rank	Name	Date Submitted	
157	Lt	Eccleston J.G.	5.3.17	MENTION IN DESPATCH 9.4.17 LONDON GAZETTE 15.5.17
2390	Pte	Nicholson H.L.	5.3.17	MENTION IN DESPATCH 9.4.17 LONDON GAZETTE 15.5.17
2481	Pte	White James	5.3.17	MENTION IN DESPATCH 9.4.17 LONDON GAZETTE 15.5.17
	Sgt	Kolgate Jm.	5.3.17	
3418	Sgt	Davis B.O.	30.3.17	BEAUMETZ 22.3.17 D.C.M. C.R.O. 14/17 When the enemy suddenly attacked his right flank another gun was used owing to a Lewis Gun and its shell having previously been put out of action by a 5.9 shell. No spare gunners were available and Sgt Davis volunteered to man the gun single handed and proceeded to the right flank a distance of 100 yds under heavy shelling fire. From an exposed position he kept shooting off until the gun was brought over to his assistance the centre taken by the enemy was retaken and the counter attack organized and the lives of our battalion. Sgt Davis's brave action single handed absolutely prevented our right flank being enveloped in rear and saved us many casualties.

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2580	Pte	Lister E.H.	30.3.17	BEAUMETZ 22.3.17 MILITARY MEDAL C.R.O. 12.4.17 He was in charge of a Lewis Gun which accompanied a fighting patrol of 10 men and 20 MG. When some 1500 yards out the patrol was suddenly fired on from the left rear and right front by machine guns and rifles. The patrol at once threw themselves on the ground and Pte Lister with the Lewis Gun beat down the left rear attack many groans being heard from the machine gunners. He then directed his gun on to the right front and kept the machine gunners there engaged until the patrol could withdraw. Then he withdrew his gun. One man of our patrol was killed and had not been for Pte Lister's coolness and courage and the entire patrol would have been wiped out. Later on, on the morning of 23 March when the enemy attacked our flanks and rear, Pte Lister again showed admirable coolness and courage in handling his gun in difficult positions under fire and giving great assistance in repelling the attack.
981	Sgt	Smith D.	3.5.17	BEAUMETZ 7.3.17 MILITARY MEDAL C.R.O. 19.5.17 At 4 am. he worked along the parapet covering the advance of a bombing party which drove the enemy back and captured 150 yds of enemy trench. Acting on his own initiative he also worked along and occupied a trench 50 yds. At 6 am. he led a patrol worked & protected his company's flanks in the advance on Beaumont. Later he set a fine example to the men in his platoon in establishing their position in front of the trench being continually exposed to the fire of machine guns and snipers.
4	Sgt	McDuff J.	2.3.17	BEAUMETZ 22.3.17 MENTION IN DESPATCH 9.4.17 LONDON GAZETTE 15.5.17 His unflinching attention to the welfare of the men has produced excellent results. On every occasion the men have come out of the line at all hours of the night his arrangements for hot food supply has been especially good. His cheerfulness and devotion to duty at all times and his unflinching bravery and determination to have been an inspiration to the cooks and other men under his command. He has at all times displayed the greatest initiative in the platoon and his work deserves special recognition.