Corbin, Thomas, Regt. No. 3423

Distinguished Conduct Medal

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For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. On the 14th October 1918, during the advance from Ledeghem towards the Lys when our smoke barrage had lifted, the platoon to which these men belonged was being enfiladed by enemy machine guns and fired at by field guns at point blank range. These men immediately opened fire with their Lewis guns but the tripod of the gun was at once shot away. In order to bring fire on the enemy machine guns which were firing from 80 yards away, Pte. Corbin knelt down and supported the Lewis gun on his shoulder, while Pte. Whelan operated it. Both men were very much exposed and at very short range they outfought and killed the enemy machine gunners. Both these men's clothes and equipment were perforated with bullets and though both men were slightly wounded they refused to leave the company and carried on throughout the action.