

annually presents its Medal to the best Student of the year.

The Master then at the request of the Lord Mayor, presented the Watches to the V.C.s who were congratulated by the Lord Mayor in a patriotic speech and the proceedings terminated.

The presentation to Lance Corporal Rendle was postponed until an opportunity should present itself.

The announcement awarding the V.C.s which appeared in the London Gazette were as follows :-

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the grant of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned soldiers serving with the Expeditionary Force

N<sup>o</sup> 8581. Drummer Spencer John Bent (1<sup>st</sup> Battalion East Lancashire Regiment)  
For conspicuous gallantry near Le Gheer on the night of November 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> 1914 when after his Officer Platoon Sergeant and Section Commander had been struck down he took command and with great presence of mind and coolness succeeded in holding the position. Drummer Bent had previously distinguished himself on two occasions 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> October by bringing up ammunition under a heavy shell and rifle fire and again on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November when he brought into cover some wounded men who were lying exposed in the open.

N<sup>o</sup> 6535. Drummer William Kenny (2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Gordon Highlanders)  
For conspicuous bravery on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1914 near Ypres in rescuing wounded men on five occasions under very heavy fire in the most fearless manner and for twice saving machine guns by carrying them out of action. On numerous occasions Drummer Kenny conveyed urgent messages under very