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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1909.

WHITEHALL, October 1, 1909.

**H**IS Majesty the King has been pleased to award Edward Medals of the First Class to Michael Lyons and John Shields.

At the Mount Morgan Mine, Queensland, on the 4th November 1908, a subsidence occurred of a mass of ore weighing about 12,000 tons. Five men at work in the excavations were killed; two, Lyons and Banks, escaped, the latter being seriously injured in the head. Lyons called up the shaft for help. John Shields volunteered to descend, running very great risks while he was being lowered in consequence of falling debris. He reached the two men, and with the help of Lyons, who was unwilling to leave his wounded companion, Banks was securely fastened to the rope, and eventually all three were drawn up.

WHITEHALL, October 1, 1909.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto James Alexander Hatton Hands, Esq., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the Insignia of the Fifth Class of the Order of the Rising Sun, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

WHITEHALL, October 1, 1909.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto John M'Bain, Esq., of the Imperial Chinese

Maritime Customs Service, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the Insignia of the Fourth Division of the Imperial Chinese Order of the Double Dragon, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of China, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

WHITEHALL, October 4, 1909.

The King has been pleased to give and grant unto Francis M'Cullagh, Esq., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the Cross of Commander of the Royal Order of St. Sava, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Majesty the King of Serbia, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

WHITEHALL, October 1, 1909.

The King has been pleased to grant to the following retired members of His Majesty's Civil Service, not belonging to the administrative or clerical branches, the Imperial Service Medal, which was instituted by His Majesty for the recognition of long and meritorious service in branches other than those mentioned above:—

Armstrong, Richard William, Overseer, Post Office, Dublin.  
 Ashley, Alfred William, First Class Messenger, Board of Education.  
 Ashton, Joseph Henry, Town Postman, Bradford.