

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL PRIZE BOUNTY MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W.,

10th March 1917.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all Persons interested therein, that the Distribution of the Prize Bounty awarded to His Majesty's Ships "Invincible," "Inflexible," "Carnarvon," "Cornwall," "Kent," and "Glasgow" for the Battle of the Falkland Islands, 8th December 1914, will commence on Wednesday, the 14th March 1917, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W.

All applications from persons entitled to share, who are not serving afloat, should be addressed "On Prize Business:—to the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, London, S.W." Such applications (except in the case of Commissioned Officers) should be accompanied by Certificates of Service. The shares of any Officers and Men since deceased are payable to their legal representatives, who should apply to the Accountant-General as above.

The following are the Shares due to Individuals in the several Classes detailed in Order in Council of 24th October 1916:—

	£	s.	d.
Flag Officer (Senior)	250	6	4
Flag Officer (Junior)	125	3	2
Captain	128	2	1
Commander, second in command	64	1	0
Class 3	10	14	10
Class 4	8	19	0
Class 5	7	3	2
Class 6	5	7	5
Class 7	4	5	11
Class 8	3	11	6
Class 9	2	17	4
Class 10	2	3	0
Class 11	1	15	9
Class 12	1	1	5
Class 13	0	14	3
Class 14	0	7	2

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL SALVAGE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W.,

10th March 1917.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all persons interested therein, that the distribution of the award for the salvage of the Steam Trawler "Osprey" by His Majesty's Drifter "Lilium" on 25th September 1916 will commence on Wednesday, the 14th March 1917, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W.

All applications from persons entitled to share, who are not serving afloat, should be addressed "On Prize Business:—To the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, London, S.W." Such applications (except in the case of Commissioned Officers) should be accompanied by Certificates of Service.

The following are the shares due to individuals

in the several classes detailed in the Proclamation of 17th September 1900:—

	£	s.	d.
Class 5	24	5	9
Class 7	12	2	11
Class 9	4	17	1

Admiralty, 12th March 1917.

The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Decoration of the Albert Medal of the Second Class on:—

Acting Lieutenant Frederick William Weeks, R.N.R.

The following is the account of the services in respect of which the Decoration has been conferred:—

On the night of Thursday, the 18th January 1917, a member of the crew of one of His Majesty's Ships, when returning from leave, fell into the sea between the ship and the quay. The matter was at once reported to Acting Lieutenant Frederick William Weeks, R.N.R., to whom it was obvious that any attempt at rescue must be attended by considerable danger. The ship, which was kept clear of the side of the quay by spar fenders of only nine inches in diameter, was working to and fro with the slight swell entering the harbour. Moreover the man was incapable of helping himself; he was of heavy build and was wearing a uniform greatcoat. In view of the risk to the rescuer of being crushed between the ship and the quay, Lieutenant Weeks decided that he could not order a man down. He thereupon took a line and went down himself. By this time the man was almost unconscious. Lieutenant Weeks managed to obtain a hold of his hair and by this mean kept him sufficiently above water, whilst wedging himself with his back against the quay with his knees against the ship's side. During this time he was mostly under water, the temperature of which was thirty-nine degrees. He succeeded in securing a line round the man, who was hauled on deck. The man was unconscious and very nearly drowned when brought on deck, and there is no doubt that, but for Lieutenant Weeks' prompt measures, he would have lost his life.

War Office,
9th March 1917.

ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

LEATHER.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Army Council do hereby order that until further notice all persons engaged in the purchase, sale or production of any or all of the Leathers indicated in Schedule A annexed to the Order made by the Army Council as to dealings in Leather, and dated the 16th day of January 1917, shall comply with the following Regulations:—

1. On any sale or delivery of Leather of the description aforesaid or of any curried Leather