Whitehall, October 4, 1920.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto the Right Honourable Sir John Newell Jordan, G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., K.C.B., His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the First Class of the Order of the Excellent Crop, with Grand Cordon and Jewels, which Decoration was conferred upon him by the President of the Republic of China on the occasion of his retirement from the post of His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Peking, and from His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Downing Street, 2nd October 1920.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Charles James Griffin, Esq. (Chief Justice, Leeward Islands), to be Chief Justice of His Majesty's High Court of Uganda.

Downing Street,

4th October 1920.

The KING has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Temistocle Zammit, Esq., M.D., D.Litt., C.M.G., Rector of the University of Malta, to be an Official Member of the Executive Council and of the Council of Government of the Island of Malta.

DUBLIN CASTLE,

October 2nd, 1920.

The Lords Justices have been pleased, by Warrants dated the 27th September 1920, to appoint the Reverend William Gordon Strahan, B.A., the Reverend William Henry Smyth, M.A., and Sir Andrew Beattie, D.L., to be Commissioners of National Education in Ireland.

Admiralty, S.W., 5th October 1920.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Albert Medal to Mr. Harry Smith, Commissioned Engineer, R.N., for gallantry in saving life at sea.

The following is the account of the services in respect of which the decoration has been conferred :---

On the 13th May last, while H.M. Torpedo Boat Destroyer "Rob Roy " was proceeding at utmost speed on a full-power trial, a fire broke out in the forward boiler-room.

With entire disregard of his own safety, Mr. Smith immediately went below to search for the two ratings who were still there, and to shut off the boilers under extreme difficulties owing to the heat, escaping steam, and water, well knowing in doing so the danger he ran from the burning oil fuel and the unconsumed gases accentuated by the confined and congested space of a destroyer's boiler-room.

Owing to his prompt action and presence of mind, Mr. Smith localised the damage and saved the lives of all who were below.

Admiralty, 5th October 1920.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the following medals to the undermentioned Men :---

To receive the Distinguished Service Medal:-Sto. P.O. Samuel M'Veigh, O.N. 312495 (Ch.).

To receive the Meritorious Service Medal:-

C.E.R.A., 1st Cl., Alfred Fraser, O.N. 270561 (Po.).

Sto. P.O. Arthur John Holloway, O.N. 300001 (Po.).

FOREIGN DECORATIONS.

The following decorations have been conferred by the Allied Powers on Officers and Men of the British Naval Forces for distinguished services during the War:—

His Majesty the KING has given unrestricted permission to the Officers and Men concerned to wear the decorations in question.

DECORATIONS CONFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

CROIX DE GUERRE.

- Maj.-Gen. Sir Archibald Paris, K.C.B.
- Cdr. Arthur M. Asquith, D.S.O., R.N.V.R.

Cdr. Reginald C. S. Isgar, D.S.O., R.N.V.R.

Capt. (tempy. Lieut.-Col.) Arthur S. Tetley, R.M.L.I.

- Lieut.-Cdr. Alan U. Campbell, M.C., R.N.V.R.
- Maj. Reginald D. H. Lough, D.S.O., O.B.E., R.M.L.I.
- Maj. Alfred Syson, O.B.E., R.M.L.I.
- Maj. George P. Lathbury, D.S.C., R.M.L.I.
- Capt. (tempy. Maj.) Ernest J. B. Tagg, D.S.O., R.M.L.I.
- Lieut. Kenneth E. Parkes, R.N.V.R.
- Lieut. Leonard H. Cockey, R.N.V.R.
- Capt. Francis C. Law, D.S.C., R.M.L.I.
- Capt. Charles B. Conybeare, R.M.L.I.
- Surg. Lieut. Edward G. S. Slesinger, O.B.E., M.B., F.R.C.S.Ed., R.N.
- Sub-Lieut. Kenneth W. Oldridge, R.N.V.R.