award for the Salvage of the barge "Gonda" on the 25th November 1928, by His Majesty's Tug "Firm," will commence on Saturday, the 28th September 1929, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the Accountant General of the Navy, Admiralty.

All applications from persons entitled to share, who are not now serving, shoud be addressed to the Accountant General of the Navy (Prize Branch), Cornwall House, Stamford Street, London, S.E.1. Such applications (except in the case of Commissioned Officers) should be accompanied by Certificates of Service.

The following are the amounts due to individuals in the various classes :---

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5th	Class			• • •	4	19	<b>2</b>	
6th	,,		•••		3	14	3	
7th	,,			• • •	<b>2</b>	19	6	
9th	,,				1	19	8	
10th	,,	• • •			1	9	9	
11th	,,	• • •	•••		1	4	10	
12th	,,		•••		0	14	10	

## Admiralty, 24th September 1929. R.N.R.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Royal Naval Reserve Officers' Decoration to the following Officers:—

Lieut.-Comdr. K. Renfree. Lieut.-Comdr. J. Murray. Lieut.-Comdr. J. H. Blair, D.S.C. Lieut.-Comdr. F. H. Fisher. Paymr. Lieut.-Comdr. M. O. E. Shankland.

## Civil Service Commission, September 27, 1929.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz:—

REGULATIONS RESPECTING OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR THE SITUATION OF FEMALE SORTING ASSISTANT IN THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, LONDON.

These Regulations are liable to alteration for future examinations.

1. The limits of age for these situations are 15 and 18, and the governing date on which candidates must be of the prescribed age is the 1st October preceding the examination.

In reckoning the age for competition, persons who have served in any established civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners may deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding two years which they may have spent in such service.

2. Candidates will be required to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners-

(a) That they are unmarried or widows.

(b) That they are duly qualified in respect of health and character.

No person will be eligible who is not a natural-born British subject, and the daughter of a father also a natural-born British subject; provided that exception may be made in the case of persons serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Provided also that if the Civil Service Commissioners are satisfied in the case of any candidate who is a British subject but does not fulfil all the requirements of the rule as to nationality and descent, that the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry and upbringing with His Majesty's dominions that an exception may properly be made to that rule, they may accept such candidate as eligible provided that this discretion shall not be exercisable unless (a) the father or the paternal grandfather of the candidate was a naturalborn British subject, and (b) neither the father mor the paternal grandfather had acquired any other nationality by naturalization or by any other voluntary and formal act.

3. At each Examination the number of candidates to be selected will be such as may from time to time be fixed.

4. The subjects of Examination and the marks they carry will be as follows :---

1.	English	 <b>30</b> 0	
	Reading Manuscript	 100	
	Arithmetic	 200	
<b>4</b> .	Geography	 200	

Candidates must obtain such an aggregate number of marks as to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners.

5. The Examination is open only to candidates who actually reside with their parents or guardians in the London Postal area or at places not far outside the London Postal area which are within easy daily travelling distance of the office of employment. No candidate will be eligible for appointment unless she can the Postmaster-General that she satisfy possesses the required local residential qualification and it will be within his authority to decline to employ a candidate successful in the Examination if he is not satisfied that she complies with this requirement. It is open to an intending candidate to enquire of the Secretary, General Post Office, (not the Civil Service Commissioners) whether, in the event of her success in the Examination, she would be regarded as eligible for appointment in respect of residence.

6. Candidates must be at least 5 feet in height, without boots.

7. Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to attend the Examination, before the commencement of the competition.

8. Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

9. Application for permission to attend an Examination must be made at such time and in such manner as may be fixed by the Civil Service Commissioners.

10. A fee of 7s 6d will be required from every candidate attending an Examination.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competitive Examination