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Whitehall, July 27, 1908.

The KING was pleased, on Tuesday, the 21st July, at Buckingham Palace, to present to John Ramsay, Able Seaman, of His Majesty's Ship "Vivid," the Albert Medal of the Second Class, conferred upon him by His Majesty's command for gallantry in saving life as detailed below:—

Early on the morning of the 7th January last, when the 12.57 A.M. down mail train was approaching Temple Meads Station, Bristol, a Marine, W. Howat, belonging to His Majesty's Ship "Donegal," fell from the platform.

Howat's perilous position was observed by Ramsay, who at once jumped down to his assistance. The approaching train was only about sixty feet distant at the time, but he succeeded, though at the imminent risk of his own life, in dragging the fallen man back to the platform as the train passed the spot.

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His Majesty has been pleased to award the Edward Medal of the First Class to James and George Dryburgh.

On the 29th December, 1907, a fire broke out at Lockhead Colliery, Fife. It was feared that a fireman who was then in the pit was in danger. Two men descended to rescue him, but they were overcome by the poisonous gas in the mine. James and George Dryburgh, in spite of great risk, descended the shaft and rescued these two men.

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His Majesty has been pleased to award the Edward Medal of the Second Class to Morgan Howells.

On 3rd March, 1908, an explosion took place at the Neath Colliery, by which five men were

killed and others injured. Morgan Howells and a boy, whose lamps were extinguished, began to make their way out, but the boy became almost insensible and was dragged and carried by Howells 500 yards to a place of safety.

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His Majesty has been pleased to award the Edward Medal of the First Class to James Hopwood; James Whittingham; James Cranswick; John Henry Thorne; Walter Clifford; and the Edward Medal of the Second Class to Joseph Outram.

On the 4th March, 1908, a fire broke out at the Hemstead Colliery; 24 miners were entombed. The above named miners (together with John Welsby, who succumbed) descended the mine at various times at great personal risk to rescue the miners. They were provided with oxygen apparatus, but were unable to effect their object.

His Majesty has been graciously pleased to allow the widow of John Welsby to receive the Medal which would have been granted to her husband.

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His Majesty has been graciously pleased to allow the Edward Medal of the Second Class to be given to the widows of Robert Pattinson and Matthew Hilliard.

On the 28th January, 1908, a heavy fall of roof took place at the Roachburn Colliery, Cumberland. A miner named William Wharton having failed to escape, Robert Pattinson and Matthew Hilliard descended the mine in order to rescue him, but did not return.