

ship and pulled to the shore. A few minutes later a tremendous explosion took place, and the tug "Musquash" was seen to be on fire forward. The fire was increasing, and there appeared to be a great danger of her getting adrift, and being carried down on to another vessel. As the "Musquash" had a gun and ammunition on board there was danger of a further explosion and consequent loss of life.

The Captain of H.M.S. "Highflyer" hailed a private tug and asked her to take the "Musquash" in tow, but as they were unwilling to board the "Musquash" to get her in tow, the tug was brought alongside H.M.S. "Highflyer." Leading Seaman Davis and Able Seaman Stones immediately volunteered, and having been transferred by the tug to the burning "Musquash," which had by this time broken adrift, they secured a line from her stern, by means of which she was towed into midstream. The line then parted, and Davis and Stones passed another line from the "Musquash" to the pumping lighter "Lee," which had now arrived. They then both went forward to the burning part, and succeeded in getting to the ammunition, which was by this time badly scorched, pulled it away from the flames and threw it overboard. They then broke open the door of the galley, which was on fire inside, to enable the "Lee" to play her hoses into it. They repeated the same thing with the cabin.

By their work they made it possible to subdue the fire and save further damage and loss of life. At any moment whilst they were on board the "Musquash" the ammunition might have exploded.

NAVAL SALVAGE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy,

*Admiralty, S.W.,
26th March, 1918.*

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested therein, that preparations are now being made for the intended distribution of the following salvage awards:—

Salvage of s.s. "Roanoke" by H.M. Ships "Nairn," "Oku," "Searanger," "Seasweeper," "Macheth," "Izaak Walton," "Fizzer," "Norman," and "Aspirant," between 11th and 14th February, 1917.

Salvage of s.s. "St. Hilda" by H.M.S. "St. Seiriol" on 17th September, 1917.

Salvage of s.s. "Nimrod" by H.M. Drifters "Girl Margaret" and "Lichen" on 27th August, 1917.

Agents or other persons having any just and legal demand, unliquidated, against the Award are required to transmit the particulars of any such demand to the Registrar of the Admiralty Division of H.M. High Court of Justice, in order that the same may be examined, taxed, and allowed by that Officer, and paid under the sanction of the Judge of the said court.

Due notice will be given, by future advertisement in the London Gazette, of the date proposed for the commencement of distribution.

Admiralty, 18th March, 1918.

R.M.

The undermentioned Temp. 2nd Lts. to be Temp. Lts.—

Edwin Austin Lionel Clogg.
Claude Reginald Daniel.
Edward Earle Trotman.
Ronald Andrew McBryde.
Arthur Harold Mitchell.
Frederick Angelo Proffitt.
Lionel Alfred Day.
Herbert Law Hardisty.
Leslie Roy Lewis.
Leonard Lee White.
James David Maxwell Smith.
Ronald Manning Snider.
Henry Thirkell.
Herbert Allen Bass.
Tom Buckley.
David Murray Smith.
Pryce Edwards.
Frederick William Slaughter.
1st Mar, 1918.

John David Morris (actg. Lt.).
Arthur Noel Deane.
3rd Mar. 1918.

Andrew William Simpson. 9th Mar 1918.

R.M.L.I.

Maj. (actg. Lt.-Col.) Cecil Graham Farquharson, M.C., relinquishes the actg. rank of Lt.-Col., on ceasing to command a Bn. 20th Dec. 1917.

Maj. Cecil Graham Farquharson, M.C., is granted the actg. rank of Lt.-Col., whilst in command of a Bn. 1st Feb. 1918.

R.N.A.S.

Tempy. Proby. Flt. Offrs. to be tempy. Flt. Sub-Lieuts.—

Ivan C. Sanderson. 9th Nov. 1917.
Maynard S. Cook. 11th Nov. 1917.
Donald H. Drew. 21st Nov. 1917.
John D. Baird. 13th Dec. 1917.
Philip R. Masson. 22nd Dec. 1917.

Alan R. Talbot.
David C. Kinmond.
6th Jan. 1918.

Fredk. P. Pemble.
Donald M. Hambly.
Thoms. F. Everett.
Horatio E. R. Nelson.
Harry A. Brown.
Arthur G. Loton.
22nd Jan. 1918.

Francis C. Dood.
Harry S. Chapman.
6th Feb. 1918.

James S. Andrews.
Donald T. Simpson.
Marmaduke P. Pearson.
19th Feb. 1918.

Percy S. L. Lee.
Adrian W. E. Reeves.
Harry Dixon.
Charles C. Butler.
6th March, 1918.

John S. Ralph. 7th Mar. 1918.