

*Board of Trade,
Whitehall Gardens,
27th August, 1918.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to make a posthumous award of the Decoration of the Albert Medal in recognition of the gallantry of Reginald Curtis Clayton, an apprentice in the Mercantile Marine.

In March last the steamship in which Mr. Clayton was serving was in collision, and a serious fire broke out on board. Mr. Clayton was aft, where the accommodation for the crew was situated. It was his fire-station duty to stand by the flood valve of the magazine; and, in spite of the whole of the deck being in flames, he groped his way through the fire, found the valve, and turned it on to "flood." He received such severe injuries that he succumbed in hospital four days later.

Those of the crew who survived no doubt owed their lives to the flooding of the magazine.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to make a posthumous award of the Decoration of the Albert Medal in recognition of the gallant conduct of Mr. Robert Coulson, a second engineer in the Mercantile Marine.

The steamship in which Mr. Coulson was serving was struck by a torpedo in the stokehold. The engine-room became full of escaping steam, and Mr. Coulson and the fourth engineer were seriously scalded. Instead of making for safety, however, Mr. Coulson, in spite of his injuries, carried the fourth engineer, who was in a helpless condition, up the engine-room ladders to the top platform, out of immediate danger of steam and the inrush of water, and he then himself became exhausted.

The chief engineer, who had run to the engine-room from the bridge, assisted both the injured men out of the engine-room, and with help managed to get them into a lifeboat. After being landed they were taken to hospital, where both succumbed to their injuries.

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ERRATUM.

TIMBER CONTROL ORDER.

MAXIMUM PRICES OF IMPORTED TIMBER.

In the London Gazette of 23rd July, page 8609, after "standard" in line 2 of second column, read "of 165 cubic feet." Under White Sea Redwood, line nine, read $2\frac{1}{2} \times 7-8$ in place of " $\frac{7}{8}$," read " $2\frac{1}{2}$ " in place of " $3\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 6$ for unsorted. After Swedish and Norwegian, at bottom of column, read "Red" and Whitewood. Page 8610, column one, thirteenth line, read $2\frac{1}{2} \times$ in place of "and" $2\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$, line thirty-four read Red "and" White; in last line but one read "7-8" in place of " $\frac{7}{8}$." Column two, line five, read "7-8" in place of " $\frac{7}{8}$ "; line eight, read after Lower Port Unsorted ("rotary" for "gang" sawn); line thirteen read "7-8" in place of " $\frac{7}{8}$." Under Pitch Pine, line twenty-seven, for 40 49 read "40-49." Line thirty-eight, after Canadian Unsorted, insert "Red Pine."

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 1, sub-section 7, of the Non-Ferrous Metal Industry Act, 1918, and No. 11 of the Statutory Rules and Orders No. 265 of 1918 (Non-Ferrous Metal Industry) that Licences under the Non-Ferrous Metal Industry Act have been granted by the Board of Trade to the undermentioned companies, firms or individuals:—

Bird & Co., Baltic House, 27, Leadenhall Street, E.C. 3.
Case, A., Great Tindal Street, Birmingham.
Coombs, J. R., Broadfields, Erdington, Birmingham.
Couch & Co., Berkley Street, Birmingham.
Greene, F. A., 3, Miles Lane, E.C. 4.
Hamilton Brown & Co., Ltd., 3, St. Peter's Buildings, York Street, Leeds.
Ironsides, E.A., trading as Ironsides, Son & Co., 40, Mincing Lane, E.C. 3.
National Metal & Chemical Bank, Ltd., 70, Lombard Street, E.C. 3.
New Delaville Spelter Co., Ltd., The, Spring Hill, Birmingham.
Robertson Brothers, Queen Anne's Chambers, Westminster, S.W. 1.
Stanley & Co., Ltd., W. J., 28, Freeth Street, Icknield Square, Birmingham.

Admiralty, 20th August, 1918.

H.M. The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the R.N.R. Officers' Decoration on the following:—

Actg. Cdr. Derwent Simmonds, R.N.R.
Lt.-Cdr. Stephen U. Beauchant, R.N.R.
Lt.-Cdr. Sutton C. Patterson, R.N.R.
Cdr. Reginald M. Partridge, R.N.R.
Lt.-Cdr. Henry Layland, O.B.E., R.N.R.

R.M.L.I.

Tempy. Maj.-Gen. Sir David Mercer, K.C.B., A.D.C., is confirmed in the rank of Maj.-Gen. under the provs. of Order in Council of 13th November, 1858. 26th June 1916.

R.M. Forces.

Col. Alfred Edmund Marchant, C.B., Res. List of Cols., is placed on the Ret. List, and granted the hon. rank of Maj.-Gen. under the provs. of Order in Council of 29th November, 1881. 2nd Aug. 1918.

R.M.A.

Qrmr. and Hon. Lt. Albert Gibson is placed on the retired list on reaching the age for compulsory retirement, and is granted the rank of Hon. Capt. on retirement. 21st Aug. 1918.

John Ballard (from Suptg. Clerk (W.O.I.), R.M.A.) to be Qrmr., with the hon. rank of Lt., vice Gibson. 21st Aug. 1918.

Admiralty, 21st August, 1918.

Captain Guy R. A. Gaunt, C.B., C.M.G., has been appointed a Naval Aide-de-Camp to H.M. The King from the 16th Aug. 1918 in the vacancy created by the promotion of Commodore G. H. Borrett, C.B., to Flag Rank.