

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS
OF KNIGHTHOOD.*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,**25th July, 1939.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Medal of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire to the undermentioned:—

For Gallantry.

No. 4388265 Corporal Thomas Atkinson, 1st Battalion, The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment).

Corporal Atkinson, who was in charge of the mechanical transport when a truck caught fire at Jinsafut Camp, Palestine, on the 15th March, 1939, organized the removal of the remainder of the Mechanical Transport to a point clear of the burning truck.

Without his initiative and energy in rallying the drivers, and assisting them to move their trucks out of danger, the remainder of the transport must have caught fire as well; and a general conflagration throughout the camp would have been inevitable.

Corporal Atkinson was subsequently indefatigable in his efforts to subdue the fire right up to the time that he was severely burnt in endeavouring to save the life of one of his comrades.

No. 2926326 Private Thomas McAvoy, 1st Battalion, The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment).

At Jinsafut Camp, Palestine, on the 15th March, 1939, a truck in the centre of the mechanical transport caught fire. Private McAvoy was amongst those endeavouring to put out the flames of the burning truck, working beside the near-side petrol tank, which was alight.

To relieve the pressure in the petrol tank, and to save a possible explosion, he took up a pick-axe and pierced the petrol tank, without any thought for his own safety, though he must have been fully aware of the appalling risk he was taking.

The jet of burning petrol, which immediately rushed out, caused him to be badly burnt.

For Meritorious Service.

No. 4382938 Sergeant (Acting Company Sergeant-Major) John William Brindle, 1st Battalion, The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment).

At Jinsafut Camp, Palestine, on the 15th March, 1939, a truck in the centre of the mechanical transport caught fire, and the petrol tank eventually exploded.

The force of the explosion not only spread burning petrol over a large area, but blew many men over. Of these, two were lying in burning petrol, and had their clothes alight. Without hesitation, Company Sergeant-Major Brindle went straight to Private Watson, pulled him out, and extinguished the flames on his clothes, despite the intense heat and danger.

No. 4387078 Private Thomas William Fowler, 1st Battalion, The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment).

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IMPERIAL SERVICE MEDAL.

The notice regarding James Matthew Male in Gazette No. 34644 of the 11th July, 1939, is hereby cancelled, it having been subsequently ascertained that he died before the date of the award therein mentioned.

*Crown Office,**House of Lords, S.W.1.**24th July, 1939.*

The KING has been pleased by Warrant under His Sign Manual dated the 17th day of July, 1939, to approve the appointment of Owen Glanville Morris, Esquire, as Chairman of the County of Anglesey Quarter Sessions, in accordance with the provisions of the Administration of Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1938.

*Crown Office,**House of Lords, S.W.1.**21st July, 1939.*

MEMBER elected to serve in the present
PARLIAMENT.

Parliamentary Borough of Hythe.

Rupert Arnold Brabner, Esquire, in the place of The Right Honourable Sir Philip Albert Gustave David Sassoon, Baronet, G.B.E., C.M.G., deceased.

Whitehall, July 24, 1939.

The KING was pleased on Saturday, 17th ultimo, at St. John's, Newfoundland, to confer the honour of Knighthood upon The Honourable John Charles Puddester, Commissioner for Public Health and Welfare, Newfoundland.

[His Majesty's approval of this Knighthood was signified on the 8th June, 1939.]