

Walker, Walter Samuel, Postman, London Postal Region.  
 Watson, Arthur James, Head Postman, London Postal Region.  
 Weir, William Patrick, Overseer, Post Office, Liverpool.  
 White, Patrick Thomas, Overseer, London Postal Region.  
 Whitford, William, Slinger, H.M. Dockyard, Chatham.  
 Williams, Ebenezer, Assistant Superintendent, Post Office, Swansea.  
 Williams, Herbert Syrel, Engine Fitter, H.M. Dockyard, Chatham.  
 Windmill, William Henry, Chief Traffic Inspector, Post Office (London) Railway.  
 Whybrow, Frederick Harper, Assistant Supervisor, London Postal Region.  
 Wyatt, Robert Henry Wilsden, Skilled Workman, Class I, London Telecommunications Region.

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*Treasury Chambers, S.W.1.*

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that They have made an Order under Section 18 (3) of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1940, entitled the Purchase Tax (Commencement) Order, 1940. The Order provides that the date for the coming into operation of the tax shall be the 21st October, 1940.

The Order has been published as Statutory Rules and Orders, 1940, No. 1771, and copies may be purchased (price 1d. net) direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office, at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh 2; 26, York Street, Manchester 1; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

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*Whitehall, September 19, 1940.*

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award the Edward Medal to Thomas Jameson and Carl Mallinson Schofield, in recognition of their gallantry in the following circumstances:—

About 8.45 p.m. on the 14th February, 1940, a serious fall of roof occurred in the main loading level of the Bold Colliery, Lancashire, completely burying five men. Rescue operations were immediately begun and in 1½ hours one of the men was liberated and was able to walk out of the pit with assistance. He was able to tell the agent, Thomas Jameson, who had arrived and taken charge, the approximate position of the other four men. Jameson, assisted by a night shift foreman, Carl Schofield, whose father was one of the men buried, working only with their hands (there was no room for a shovel) removed stones and dirt and sawed through a conveyor chain and a rail, and after prolonged efforts one of the men was rescued by 2 a.m. next morning. Operations were continued, other men taking turns, until about 3 a.m. a third man was released. The other two men could be seen but appeared to be dead.

The rescue had to be carried out in a very confined space and in conditions of extreme

difficulty and danger owing to the imminent risk of further falls as the debris which covered the buried men was removed. If this had not been prevented by the skilful directions of Jameson the number of deaths would almost certainly have been greater. Immediately after the third man had been released there was another big fall which completely blocked the hole which the rescuers had been using as a means of access.

The rescues were undoubtedly due to the coolness, courage and skilful leadership of Jameson, and to the assistance he received from Schofield, who displayed the greatest energy and courage throughout, knowing all the time that his father was lying under the fall.

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*Whitehall, October 8, 1940.*

The KING has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Colonel The Viscount Bury, M.C., to be Vice-Lieutenant for the County of Norfolk, to act for His Majesty's Lieutenant during his absence from the County, sickness or other inability to act.

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 PROCEEDINGS BEFORE BRITISH PRIZE COURTS OVERSEA.

In continuation of the notification on page 5784 of the "London Gazette" of October 1st, 1940, information has been received that proceedings have been instituted in the Prize Court named below in respect of goods ex the following vessel.

Appearances to the Writ in this action should be entered as soon as possible.

SCHEDULE.

<i>Prize Court.</i>	<i>Name of Ship.</i>
Commercial Court of Malta.	Golly.
Colonial Office, 7th October, 1940.	

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 TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT, 1939, AND DEFENCE (TRADING WITH THE ENEMY) REGULATIONS, 1940.

Orders have been made by the Board of Trade requiring the undermentioned businesses to be wound up:—

7. Credito Italiano, 2, Royal Exchange Avenue, E.C.2. Bankers. *Controller* Russell Kettle, 5, London Wall Buildings, E.C.2. 25th September, 1940.

8. Banca Commerciale Italiana, 22, Threadneedle Street, E.C.2, and 75-77, Regent Street, W.1. Bankers. *Controller* Russell Kettle, 5, London Wall Buildings, E.C.2. 25th September, 1940.

9. Guiseppi Spinetti, 13, Panton Street, S.W.1. Restaurateur. *Controller* Bertram Nelson, 39, New Broad Street, E.C.2. 2nd October, 1940.

10. Antoniazzi Brothers, 97, Cardiff Road, Caerphilly, Wales. Refreshment House Keepers and Tobacconists. *Controller* Alfred Clarke Williams, 34, Park Place, Cardiff. 30th September, 1940.