

No. 5616845 Corporal William Frederick Tannatt, The Devonshire Regiment.
 No. 3458630 Fusilier Richard Gaskell, The Lancashire Fusiliers.
 No. 3460789 Fusilier Robert Ferguson, The Lancashire Fusiliers.
 No. 13016431 Corporal. (acting Sergeant) Frederick Armitage, Pioneer Corps.
 No. 13013433 Private Patrick Thomas Ward, Pioneer Corps.
 Section Leader George Turner, Home Guard.
 Assistant Section Leader Harry Thomas Morris, Home Guard.
 Volunteer Edwin Trevor Wistow, Home Guard.
 Volunteer Ernest Thomas Smith, Home Guard.
 Volunteer William Leonard Badcock, Home Guard.
 Volunteer Leonard Isoyn Tidball, Home Guard.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS
 OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
 27th May, 1941.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the under-mentioned:—

1153113 Aircraftman 2nd Class Enos Garrett,
 Royal Air Force.

One night in January, 1941, during a heavy air raid, a large high explosive bomb wrecked some houses. A party of airmen were hastened to the spot where, in one of the houses, a young woman was trapped under a blazing staircase. Without hesitation one of the party, Aircraftman Garrett, commenced to extricate her, and although it was necessary continually to throw buckets of water over him to sustain him in his efforts, he eventually succeeded in rescuing her. Three other people were apparently trapped under the stairs, but the fire was so fierce that, in spite of repeated attempts by Aircraftman Garrett, it was impossible to save them. Undaunted, however, he led a working party in an attempt to control the fire, despite the fact that enemy aircraft remained overhead and may have dropped further bombs, using the fire as an aiming mark. This airman showed great bravery throughout and was undoubtedly responsible for saving the woman's life.

562959 Sergeant Frank Richard Woolven,
 Royal Air Force.

When the ship in which Woolven was travelling was shelled by the enemy, considerable damage was done and a number below deck were badly hurt. Woolven immediately went down to help them but found he could do little alone and returned to the deck for help. On reaching deck he was ordered to abandon ship immediately but before doing so, with great presence of mind, he collected a torch and a bottle of tablets.

Though there were several ships and aircraft in the neighbourhood, Woolven and two who were with him were not spotted and they were accordingly not picked up. In order to form a makeshift raft, Woolven

managed to collect some oars and a piece of rope which were in the water near him and lashed the oars together so that the three of them could lie with their legs over one oar and their backs and arms against the other.

That evening one of the two became delirious, but thanks to Woolven's cheerfulness and optimism he was calmed down and he and his comrade persuaded to go on holding out.

About 4.30 next morning, after they had been nearly twenty-four hours in the water, the party of three was picked up by a British warship. Just before being picked up Woolven had seen a darkened vessel which he took to be a submarine. Having, therefore, attracted the warship's attention with his torch, he shouted to her to keep clear as he had seen a submarine in the vicinity. The warship had, however, passed the vessel which Woolven had seen, and knowing that it was a trawler, proceeded to pick the party up. The two were by now in an extreme state of exhaustion, but Woolven appeared to be quite unshaken by his experience.

Woolven displayed throughout fortitude and foresight of a high order and his fine example was largely instrumental in saving the lives of his two comrades.

Treasury Chambers, S.W.1.

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby given notice that They have made an Order under Section 19 of the Import Duties Act, 1932, and Section 1 of the Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939, viz.:—

The Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 1) Order, 1941, continuing for one year the existing exemption from the general ad valorem duty of certain fresh fish.

The Order has been published as Statutory Rules and Orders, 1941, No. 691, 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; 39-41, King Street, Manchester 2; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

COUNTY OF THE NORTH RIDING OF
 YORKSHIRE.

THE CORONERS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1926.

Order for the alteration of Coroners' Districts.

Whereas vacancies have arisen in the office of Franchise Coroner for the Langbaugh East, Langbaugh West and Langbaugh North Districts of the Langbaugh Wapentake and the Liberty of Whitby and Whitby Strand in the County of the North Riding of Yorkshire:

And whereas by the operation of Section 4 (1) of the Coroners (Amendment) Act, 1926, the areas in which the said Franchise Coroners had jurisdiction have become merged for all purposes relating to Coroners in the said County: