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The London Gazette Supplement Number 36035 of 4th June, 1943, page 2502, should be corrected as follows, for "Bernard McLaughlan" read "Bernard McLaughlin."

> Ministry of War Transport, Berkeley Square House, Berkeley Square, W.1. 3rd August, 1943.

The KING has been graciously pleased, on the recommendation of the Minister of War Transport, to make the following award:-The Bronze Medal for Gallantry in Saving Life

at Sea.

Celsus Mary Loughlin, Esq., Radio Officer.

The ship in which Mr. Loughlin was serving was torpedoed in darkness and began to sink immediately. Abandonment was ordered but Radio Officer Loughlin remained on duty sending emergency calls until the last boat was about to be lowered. Coming from the wire-less room into the darkness he saw one of the officers stumble and fall overboard from the boat deck into the sea. This officer was an elderly man, unable to swim, and Radio Officer Loughlin, realising his danger, immediately dived overboard to his assistance. He continued to search for the officer in the icy water for twenty minutes. At the end of this time he had to give up and he was pulled into one of the boats in a completely exhausted condition.

Radio Officer Loughlin displayed great gallantry in attempting to save the life of his shipmate, coming straight from a lighted room into the darkness and immediately plunging overboard into a choppy sea covered with oil

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