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TUESDAY, 8 JUNE, 1948

Pursuant to Paragraph 5 of the Regulations for the drawing of 4 per cent. Victory Bonds, the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that the twenty-ninth drawing of the Bonds will take place on Monday, 21st June, 1948.

The list of the drawn Bonds will be published as soon as possible after the draw, and in any case not later than 25th June, as a special supplement to the "London Gazette."

Buckingham Palace, 2nd June, 1948.

This day had Audience of The KING:—

His Excellency Monsieur Henry de Torrenté, to present the Letters of Recall of his predecessor Monsieur Paul Ruegger, and his own Letters of Credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the Swiss Confederation.

Whitehall, May 28, 1948.

The KING has been pleased to award the Albert Medal to Temporary Lieutenant (E) Eric William Kevin Walton, D.S.C., R.N., a member of the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey, in recognition of his gallantry in the following circumstances:—

At about 12 noon on 24th August, 1946, while on a sledging journey, a member of the Survey fell through a badly-bridged crevasse and disappeared. Major Tonkin had fallen some 40 feet and was jammed in a narrow part of the crevasse. Ropes were lowered to him and he managed to get loops round his forearms, but no higher, and it was found impossible to pull him out as he was jammed in the ice. Lieutenant Walton volunteered to be lowered in the crevasse to free Major Tonkin by chipping. As an ice axe could not be used in the constricted space of the crevasse, the spike was sawn off and used as a hand tool. Lieutenant Walton was lowered down a wider part of the crevasse and worked his way along until he reached and succeeded in freeing Major Tonkin, who was eventually pulled to the surface, after having been three hours down the crevasse. During that time, Lieutenant Walton was lowered down to him on five separate occasions, remaining down for considerable periods on each occasion. His persistence was most commendable, and it was due solely to his efforts that Major Tonkin was finally rescued.

Whitehall, May 31, 1948.

The KING has been pleased to award the King's Police and Fire Services Medal for Gallantry to the undermentioned officers of police:—

William Barron, Constable, Portsmouth City Police Force.

Thomas Beale, Constable, Metropolitan Police Force.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

The Minister of Labour and National Service hereby gives notice that on 31st May, 1948 he made under Sections 17, 46 and 60 of the Factories Act, 1937, regulations entitled, The Building (Safety, Health and Welfare) Regulations, 1948. The Regulations supersede the Building Regulations 1926 to 1931, which they revoke.

The making of the Regulations follows the Public Inquiry with respect to the draft which was held on 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 9th June and 8th December, 1947 by George Gordon Honeyman, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, the Commissioner appointed by the Minister in pursuance of the Second Schedule to the Act.

Copies of the Regulations, and of the Commissioner's Report, may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13A, Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 39-41, King Street, Manchester 2; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol; or through any bookseller.

*Ministry of Transport, Marine Safety Division,
Berkeley Square House, W.1.*

8th June, 1948.

The Minister of Transport hereby gives notice under the General Rules for Formal Investigations into Shipping Casualties and Appeals and Rehearings, 1923, that he has received during the month of May, 1948, Reports of Formal Investigations, held by Courts in His Majesty's dominions, into the circumstances attending casualties to the following vessels:—

1. s.s. "Constantia"
2. s.s. "Empire Peacemaker"
3. s.s. "Wallsend"
4. s.s. "President Reitz"
5. s.s. "Ngoiro"

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

LAND DRAINAGE ACT, 1930.

Tame, Seamer and Picton Drainage District.

Notice is hereby given that the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries has made an Order under the Land Drainage Act, 1930, confirming the Order made on the 28th August last, in relation to the Tame, Seamer and Picton Drainage District.

A copy of the Order may be seen at all reasonable hours at the County Hall, Northallerton, Yorkshire, and also at the Offices of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, 23-25, Soho Square, London, W.1.

By Part III of the Second Schedule to the said Act, it is provided that if any person aggrieved by an Order desires to question its validity on the ground that it is not within the powers of the Act or that any requirement of the Act has not been