

At the Palace of Westminster, the 23rd day of June 1910.

PRESENT,

Archbishop of Canterbury.

Lord President.

Lord Pentland.

Mr. Secretary Churchill.

**W**HEREAS in the Act of Uniformity, which established the Liturgy of the Church of England, provision is made for such alterations in the prayers for the Royal Family as from time to time shall become necessary, and be directed by lawful authority; it is, thereupon, this day ordered in Council, that in the Morning and Evening Prayers, in the Litany, and in all other parts of the Public Service, as well in the occasional offices as in the Book of Common Prayer, where the Royal Family is appointed to be particularly prayed for, the following form and order shall be observed:—

“Our Gracious Queen Mary, Alexandra the Queen Mother, Edward Prince of Wales, and all the Royal Family”;

And it is further ordered, that no edition of the Common Prayer be from henceforth printed but with this amendment; and that in the meantime, and until copies of such edition may be had, all Parsons, Vicars, and Curates within this realm do (for the preventing of mistakes), with the pen, correct and amend all such prayers in their Church Books, according to the foregoing direction: And for the better notice hereof, that this Order be forthwith printed and published, and sent to the several parishes; and that the Right Reverend the Bishops do take care that obedience be paid to the same accordingly.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

WHITEHALL, June 23, 1910.

The King was pleased, on Tuesday, the 21st instant, at St. James' Palace, to present the following Decorations which have been conferred for gallantry in saving life on land.

THE ALBERT MEDAL.

(2nd Class.)

HENRY SMITH.

On the occasion of the earthquake at Messina on the 28th December 1908, the steamship *Afonwen*, of Cardiff, was lying at her moorings, having arrived at Messina on the 24th December.

The first intimation the Master of the ship (Captain William Owen) had of the disaster was on being awakened in the early morning of the 28th December by the noise of the upheaval and the commotion caused by the tidal wave, but owing to the darkness and the dense clouds of dust the full extent of the disaster could not be realised for some time. The danger to shipping claimed the first attention of the Captain, but having satisfied himself as to the safety of his vessel he proceeded ashore with his crew, as the dawn broke, to render assistance.

The particular act of gallantry in respect of which the Albert Medal has been awarded was performed when a building of five storeys was

reached, where children were noticed at a great height from the ground crying for help. The interior of the building had for the most part collapsed, and one of the walls had disappeared; the structure was therefore in a very dangerous condition.

The Captain having given the word, Henry Smith, Able Seaman, and, shortly after, James Vivian Reed, Second Mate, swarmed up a rope to the rescue of the children, who had lowered string by means of which the rope was hauled up and made fast. The rescue of the children having been effected, three persons were lowered down from a storey above.

Henry Smith was away at sea in pursuit of his calling, and was therefore unable to attend at Buckingham Palace on the 22nd July 1909, when the like decoration conferred upon James Vivian Reed was presented.

THE ALBERT MEDAL.

(2nd Class.)

MRS. CAROLINE HUGHES.

On the 14th October 1905, a fire occurred on the premises, 129 Clarendon Road, Hove, where two children named Austen, aged 11 and 4 years respectively, had been left at home by their mother, who was out working. Mrs. Hughes, whose house was in the same street, and who was informed of the outbreak by her daughter, ran to the house and on entering found a paraffin lamp in flames on the table, and the two children crouching in the far corner, too frightened to move. She led them out one at a time, and in shielding them from the flames her dress caught fire.

Mrs. Hughes afterwards carried out the blazing lamp, and while doing so sustained serious injuries to her face, chest, and arms, which eventually led to the amputation of her left arm two years later.

WHITEHALL, June 22, 1910.

The King has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 21st instant, to appoint Sir Frederick Treves, Bt., G.C.V.O., C.B., to be a member of the Royal Commission on Divorce and Matrimonial Causes, in the room of Sir Rufus Daniel Isaacs, resigned.

WHITEHALL, June 22, 1910.

The King has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 21st instant, to appoint Francis John Stuart Hay-Newton, Esquire, M.V.O., sometime a Captain in the 14th Hussars, late Consul-General for Algeria, to be, during His Majesty's pleasure, the Deputy of Her Royal Highness Princess Beatrice, Princess Henry of Battenberg, in the office of Governor of the Isle of Wight, in the room of Thomas Belhaven Henry Cochrane, Esquire, resigned.