

Matthew Walsh, Shiftman (Wellington Pit).
 John Graham, Overman, (Wellington Pit).
 Thomas Graham, Overman (Wellington Pit).
 William Campbell, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 Thomas Swinburne, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 James Coulthard, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 David Devine, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 John Wilson, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 Matthew Wilson, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 John Pearson, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 John Quayle, Deputy (Wellington Pit).
 James Knox, Shiftman (Wellington Pit).
 William Ball, Shiftman (Wellington Pit).
 James Wren, Rope Splicer (Wellington Pit).
 Charles Gibson, Driftman (Wellington Pit).
 William Hoskin, Driftman (Wellington Pit).
 Christopher Gregory, Fireman (Wellington Pit).

Robert McDonald, Fireman (Wellington Pit).
 John Henry Parker, Under-Manager (Ladysmith Pit).
 Ernest William Oswald, Shiftman (William Pit).
 John Batty, Overman (Ladysmith Pit).
 John Smith, Overman (Ladysmith Pit).
 John Rothery, Under-Manager (William Pit).
 John Rothery, Overman (William Pit).
 Wilson Graham, Overman (William Pit).
 Thomas Cannon, Deputy (William Pit).
 James McKenzie, Deputy (William Pit).
 Samuel Birnie, Deputy (William Pit).
 Isaac Graham, Shiftman (William Pit).
 Adam McKee, Deputy (William Pit).
 John Hanlon, Miners' Agent.
 John Thomas Mather, Collier and Wellington Pit Delegate.
 Archibald Thom, jun., Manager, Moresby Colliery.
 Thomas Banks, Under-Manager, Moresby Colliery.
 Andrew Millar, Manager, Lowca Colliery.
 Dr. Charles Joshua Joseph Harris, Whitehaven (Colliery Doctor).
 John Graham, Deputy (William Pit).

On the 11th May, 1910, a terrible fire occurred in the Wellington Pit, Whitehaven, at a point about 4,500 yards from the shafts. Various rescue parties, with great courage and self-devotion and at considerable risk, descended the mine and endeavoured to extinguish the fire and penetrate to the persons in the workings beyond the same. Thorne and Littlewood, fitted with breathing apparatus, reached within a distance of 150 yards of the fire, but were driven back by the great heat and effusion of gases. The others got to within about 300 yards of the fire, working in the smoke backing from the fire. It was found impossible to penetrate to the scene of the fire or to rescue any of the entombed miners.

Had an explosion occurred—a by no means unlikely eventuality, seeing that the mine is a very gassy one—they would undoubtedly all have been killed.

Special gallantry was shown by John Henry Thorne, to whom the Edward Medal of the First Class has already been awarded, and by James Littlewood.

Whitehall, July 21, 1910.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 20th instant, to appoint Frederick James Willis, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, one of the Assistant Secretaries of the Local Government Board, to be an additional Member of the Royal Commission on Sewage Disposal.

Whitehall, July 21, 1910.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Lieutenant-Colonel James Halifax Western, C.M.G., formerly Inspecting Engineer representing the Egyptian and Soudanese Governments in London, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the Insignia of the First Class of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Medjidieh, conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

Whitehall, July 21, 1910.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto the undermentioned gentlemen His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear Decorations (as stated against their respective names), which have been conferred upon them by His Majesty the King of Italy, in recognition of valuable services rendered by them on the occasion of the recent earthquake in Southern Italy:—

Officer of the Order of the Crown of Italy.

Mr. Thomas William George Duffill, Master of the steamship "Ebro."

Cavaliers of the Order of the Crown of Italy.

Mr. Charles Henry Holdorf, 1st Officer, steamship "Ebro."

Mr. James Thomas Hume, 2nd Officer, steamship "Ebro."

Mr. Sidney Bartlett, 3rd Officer, steamship "Ebro."

Mr. John Edward Noton, Officer, steamship "Chesapeake," and

Mr. Phillip Heywood Hadfield, M.A., L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S. (Edin.), steamship "Ophir."

Crown Office,

July 19, 1910.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to present The Reverend James Gilliland Simpson, D.D., to the Canonry in His Majesty's Cathedral Church of Manchester, void by the promotion of Dr. Edward Lee Hicks to the Bishopric of Lincoln, and in His Majesty's Gift for this turn by virtue of His prerogative Royal, together with the Rectory of the parish of St. Philip, Salford, thereunto annexed by the Parish of Manchester Division Act, 1850.

Crown Office,

July 22, 1910.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

*Parliamentary Borough of Liverpool,
 Kirkdale Division.*

Gerald Kyffin-Taylor, Esq., in the place of Charles McArthur, Esq., deceased.