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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1910.

Whitehall, October 4, 1910.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 21st September, 1910, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upou the Right Honourable Sir John Henry de Villiers, K.C.M.G., Chief Justice of South Africa, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Baron de Villiers of Wynberg in the Province of the Cape of Good Hope and Union of South Africa.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, S.W., October 4, 1910.

The Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace, and the Marlborough House Chapel, adjoining, will be re-opened for Divine Service on Sunday next, the 9th instant.

By order of the Lord Chamberlain,

EDGAR SHEPPARD, D.D., Sub-Dean.

Whitehall, October 4, 1910.

His Majesty The King has been graciously pleased to award the Edward Medal of the Second Class to Mr. William Evans, under the following circumstances :---

On the occasion of the Darran Colliery Explosion, in October, 1909, Mr. Evan Owen, Mr. Edmund Davies, and Mr. William Wagner Turner, M.B., performed acts of gallantry for which they received from His Majesty the Edward Medal of the Second Class, on the 21st June, 1910.

A fourth case has been brought to the notice of His Majesty, that of Mr. William Evans, Pit Carpenter, who was the first man to descend the shaft after the explosion, and render aid to the men who were found alive at the bottom of the shaft. Though no afterdamp was met with at the bottom of the shaft, Evans voluntarily faced unknown dangers in order to go to the assistance of his comrades.

Whitehall, October 4, 1910.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to award the Edward Medal of the Second Class to Mr. Henry Evans, Mr. William Richard Protheroe and Mr. Gomer Jones, under the following circumstances:---

the following circumstances :--On the 6th April, 1910, John Isaac, a repairer, was engaged in inspecting the return airway of the Bwlffa Dare Colliery, near Aberdare, South Wales, and while he was going under a closely timbered bridge in the airway for the purpose of examining it, the bridge collapsed without warning and covered Isaac with about 40 tons of debris. Isaac would have been instantly killed if the mass of fallen material had not been partly supported by the timber in the roadway. Isaac's assistant at once ran for help, and the under manager, Mr. W. R. Protheroe, and Mr. Gomer Jones, assistant examiner, were soon on the spot, followed by Mr. Henry Evans, the manager. They found Isaac lying about seven feet below them under the debris with only his