

on the Commission constituted by Article II of the Protocol signed at Constantinople on November 17, 1913, between the United Kingdom, Russia, Turkey and Persia, for the delimitation of the frontier between Turkey and Persia; and

Captain Arnold Talbot Wilson, C.M.G., to be His Majesty's Deputy-Commissioner on the said Commission.

Foreign Office,
November 20, 1913.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Gilbert Ernest Hubbard, Esq., to be His Majesty's Vice-Consul at Mosul.

Whitehall, November 25, 1913.

His Majesty the KING has been pleased to award the Edward Medal of the First Class to John Hepburn, and the Edward Medal of the Second Class to Davide Easton and Robert Henderson, under the following circumstances:—

On the 11th of January, 1913, a number of native "boys" were engaged in building up the ends of old roads in No. 2 North Main Haulage of the Hatting Spruit Colliery, Natal, in order to prevent the fumes of a gob fire from coming out into the haulage. A brattice cloth screen had been placed across the road to keep back the fumes at one point, while work was proceeding at other points. The air was quite pure outside the screen, but very poisonous on the inside. In the absence of Hepburn, who was in charge of the party, two of the "boys" went through the screen, contrary to orders, to get a shovel, and, as they returned, first one and then the other fell unconscious. Hepburn was informed, and with another "boy" went in search of the two. His first search of the workings had no result, and he returned through the screen thinking that he had been misinformed. On being assured that there was no mistake, he went in a second time accompanied by a native, Mbuzimaceba, and an Indian named Munian, and found the two missing "boys." They dragged one for six or seven yards, when Hepburn collapsed, and Mbuzimaceba carried him on his shoulder almost as far as the screen, a distance of at least 100 yards. The attention of those outside the screen was attracted, and assistance arrived to carry Hepburn into safety. Mbuzimaceba became unconscious. Munian in the meantime remained behind with the missing "boys." Hepburn, though suffering from the effects of gas, managed to tell Easton what had happened. Easton shouted for Henderson, who was near at hand, and both penetrated into the danger area and succeeded in bringing out the missing "boys," one of whom unfortunately died from the effects of the gas.

They were able in their return down the working to discover a shorter way back to the screen, otherwise in all probability they would have lost their lives.

The native Mbuzimaceba and the Indian Munian showed great bravery. A letter of appreciation, together with a suitable present, has been sent to them by the Governor-General.

Whitehall, November 27, 1913.

Letters Patent, bearing date the 25th November, 1913, have passed the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, nominating the Venerable Edward Domett Shaw, M.A., Archdeacon of Buckingham, to be Bishop Suffragan of Buckingham, in the Diocese of Oxford.

Whitehall, November 27, 1913.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 25th instant, to grant unto William, Earl Beauchamp, K.C.M.G., the office of Constable of His Majesty's Castle of Dover, and also the office of Warden and Keeper of His Majesty's Cinque Ports, and the office of Admiralty within the said Cinque Ports, in succession to Thomas, Earl Brassey, G.C.B., resigned.

Whitehall, November 27, 1913.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Robert Allason Furness, Esq., Inspector of Police at Alexandria, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Medjidieh, which Decoration has been conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

Whitehall, November 27, 1913.

31 Vict., cap. 22.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, that in accordance with the above Act, he has approved of a contract made on the 17th October, 1913, between the Town Council of Devonport and the County