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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

Lord Chamberlain's Office

St James Palace

10 April 1915

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath in recognition of the services of the undermentioned Officer during the chase of the German Cruisers Goeben and Breslau by H M S Gloucester on 6th and 7th August 1914 —

To be an additional Member of the Military Division of the Third Class or Companion

Captain William Archibald Howard Kelly
Royal Navy

The report of the Gloucester shows that the Goeben could have caught and sunk her at any time had she dared to turn upon her. The Goeben was apparently deterred by the Gloucester's boldness which gave the impression of support close at hand. The combination of audacity with restraint, unswerving attention to the principal military object, namely holding on to the Goeben without tempt-

ing her too much and strict conformity to order constitute a naval episode which may justly be regarded as a model.

Admiralty 10th April 1915

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the grant of the Victoria Cross to Commander Henry Peel Ritchie Royal Navy for the conspicuous act of bravery specified below —

For most conspicuous bravery on the 28th November 1914 when in command of the searching and demolition operations at Dar es Salaam East Africa. Though severely wounded several times his fortitude and resolution enabled him to continue to do his duty inspiring all by his example until at his eighth wound he became unconscious. The interval between his first and last severe wound was between twenty and twenty five minutes.

Admiralty 10th April 1915

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to

the Distinguished Service Order, and for the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to the undermentioned Officers in recognition of their services as mentioned —

To be Companions of the Distinguished Service Order

For services during the operations in the Shatt el Arab, 3rd to 9th December, 1914, resulting in the capture of Qurnah—

Commander (now Captain) Wilfrid Nunn, Royal Navy

Commander Nunn displayed great coolness and skill in handling his ship under fire in difficult conditions of unsurveyed waters

For services rendered in the aerial attack on Dunkirk, 23rd January, 1915—

Squadron Commander Richard Bell Davies

Flight Lieutenant Richard Edmund Charles Perse

These Officers have repeatedly attacked the German submarine station at Ostend and Zeebrugge, being subjected on each occasion to heavy and accurate fire, their machines being frequently hit. In particular, on 23rd January, they each discharged eight bombs in an attack upon submarines alongside the mole at Zeebrugge, flying down to close range. At the outset of this flight Lieutenant Davies was severely wounded by a bullet in the thigh, but nevertheless he accomplished his task, handling his machine for an hour with great skill in spite of pain and loss of blood.

For services in command of Torpedo Boat O43 during the operations on the Suez Canal, 3rd February, 1915—

Lieutenant Commander George Bryan Palmes, Royal Navy

Lieutenant Commander Palmes disabled a number of the enemy's boats intended to be used for crossing the Canal, and showed coolness and bravery under fire. He was severely wounded.

To receive the Distinguished Service Cross

For services in the action between H M S "Carmania" and the German Armed Merchant Cruiser "Cap Trafalgar," on 14th September, 1914, when the latter vessel was sunk—

Chief Gunner Henry Middleton

Acting Sub Lieutenant George Frederick Dickens, R N R

Midshipman (now Acting Sub Lieutenant) Douglas Nowell Colson, R N R

For services during the operations at Dar es Salaam, on the 28th November, 1914, when boats' parties from H M S "Fox" and "Goliath" were attacked unexpectedly at the harbour entrance—

Lieutenant Eric Reid Corson, R N

Lieutenant Herbert Walter Julian Orde, R N

Sub-Lieutenant Clement James Charlewood, R N R

Lieutenant Corson was in H M S "Fox's" steam cutter and under a close and heavy fire from both sides of the channel, climbed forward to relieve a stoker, who was mortally wounded. By his exertions he kept

the fires, going and steam up at the most critical moment.

Lieutenant Orde was in H M S "Hel-muth," and, though himself wounded and under exceptionally heavy fire, with dangerous escape of steam, brought his ship safely through the narrow channel.

Sub Lieutenant Charlewood ably assisted Lieutenant Orde in bringing the "Hel-muth" through the channel.

For services in H M S "Hardinge" during the operations on the Suez Canal, 3rd February, 1915—

Temporary Lieutenant George Carew, R N R

A shell struck the fore funnel of H M S "Hardinge," and completely shattered one of Lieutenant Carew's legs from the knee down and broke one arm, besides inflicting other wounds. Notwithstanding this, he continued to advise on the piloting of the ship with coolness and equanimity.

The following awards have also been made —

To receive the Conspicuous Gallantry Medal

For services at Dar es Salaam, 28th November, 1914—

Thomas James Clark, Petty Officer, 1st Class, O N 178489 (R F R, Dev, B/1535)

Thomas Arthur Gallagher, Leading Seaman, O N 222943

Petty Officer Clark was Coxswain of H M S "Goliath's" steam pinnace. He was wounded, but gallantly returned to the wheel to which he stood until the boat was out of gunfire.

Leading Seaman Gallagher was Coxswain of H M S "Fox's" steam cutter. When twice wounded, and under galling fire, he remained at the tiller, and with the utmost coolness steered his boat through the danger zone.

For services in the Shatt el Arab, 3rd to 9th December, 1914—

Arthur Jones, Stoker Petty Officer, O N 227970

Petty Officer Jones, after being severely wounded, kept the engines of the launch "Miner" going when water was pouring into the engine room, and undoubtedly by his action saved the "Miner" from disaster.

To receive the Distinguished Service Medal

For services during the chase of the German Cruisers "Goeben" and "Breslau" by H M S "Gloucester," 6th and 7th August, 1914—

Theodore Frank Perrow, Petty Officer Telegraphist, O N 238640, H M S "Gloucester"

For services in the action between the "Carmania" and the "Cap Trafalgar," 14th September, 1914—

John Walker Jones, Chief Petty Officer, O N 116929 (R F R Po A 979)

Robert Walter Andrews, Chief Petty Officer, O N 143783 (R F R Po A 3472)

Charles Ware, Petty Officer, R.N., O.N. 173515.

William Frederick Clark, 2nd Yeoman of Signals, O.N. 220953 (R.F.R. Po. B. 3406).

Albert Edward Mitchell, Armourer, R.N., O.N. 342296.

William Samuel Dyer, Serjeant, R.M.A., R.F.R., R.M.A./4607.

Richard Robert Branske, Gunner, R.M.A., R.F.R., R.M.A./10783.

William Ernest Wadsworth, Private, R.M.L.I., R.F.R., O.N. Po./9430.

Arthur Stanley Fletcher, Seaman, R.N.R., 3746 B.

John Hanlon, Seaman, R.N.R., 3177 C.

Matthew Green, Chief Steward.

Thomas Adams, Officers' Steward (3rd Class).

For services in the action between H.M.A.S. "Sydney" and the German Cruiser "Emden" on the 9th of November, 1914—

Arthur W. Lambert, Chief Petty Officer; R.A.N.-7899.

Bertie Green, Able Seaman, R.A.N. 2511.

Joseph Kinniburgh, Able Seaman, R.A.N. 2907.

Harold M. Collins, Able Seaman, R.A.N. 3157.

William Alfred Taylor, Able Seaman, R.A.N. 2820.

Thomas Edward Mullins, Sick Berth Steward, R.A.N. 1606.

For services at Dar-es-Salaam, 28th November, 1914—

George Edwin Upton, Able Seaman, O.N. 190145.

Walter Vernon, Stoker Petty Officer, O.N. 309032.

Frank Puleston, Stoker, 1st Class, O.N. K. 14406.

For services in the Shatt-el-Arab, 3rd to 9th December, 1914—

Walter Vale, Petty Officer, 1st Class, O.N. 202226.

Douglas Lacey, Stoker, R.N.R. 2903 T.

For services rendered in action off Hartlepool on 16th December, 1914—

John Walter Johnson, Signaller, O.N. J 6110, H.M.S. "Hardy."

For gallant behaviour on reconnaissance in a Hydroplane at Akaba about the 6th January, 1915—

Quartier-Maitre Hervé Grall, of the Aviation Marine Française.

For services rendered whilst attached to landing party from H.M.S. "Doris," at Alexandretta, on the 6th and 7th January, 1915—

Sydney Albert Cutcliffe, Acting Chief Petty Officer, O.N. 164855.

Walter George Stocker, Petty Officer, O.N. 220505.

William Booth, Petty Officer, O.N. 206814.

Percy Charles Joyce, Stoker, 1st Class, O.N. S.S. 109335.

Hugh L. Wallace, Private, R.M.L.I., No. Ply/13791.

For services in the operations on the Suez Canal, 3rd February, 1915—

William Arthur Colgate, Petty Officer, O.N. 212763.

Admiralty, 10th April, 1915.

In connection with the sinking of the German Submarine U.8 off Dover on the 4th March, and U.12 off the Forth on the 10th March, the following Officers have received letters on vellum expressing the approbation of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for their services and conduct. These letters will be issued by their Lordships in cases where skill and address in the handling of His Majesty's ships in the presence of the enemy are shown by Officers or men, or other high qualities are displayed such as daring, resource, tenacity and quickness of mind and eye, although the actions may not necessarily be performed under the fire of the enemy. Such letters are equivalent to a mention in despatches.

Operations against U.8.

Captain Charles Duncan Johnson, M.V.O.

Commander Benjamin Wingate Barrow.

Lieutenant-Commander Robert Wise Richardson.

Operations against U.12.

Commander Brien Michael Money.

Lieutenant-Commander James Vandeleur Creagh.

Lieutenant-Commander Cyril Callaghan.

The following awards have been made to Petty Officers and Men:—

To receive the Distinguished Service Medal—

For services in connection with sinking of U.8—

Alfred Ethelbert Bushell, Chief Petty Officer, O.N. 156648.

Oswald Sydney Scholey, Petty Officer, O.N. 205660.

William Neale, Petty Officer, O.N. 217518.

Henry Ernest Knight, Petty Officer, 1st Class, O.N. 176903.

John Checkley, Petty Officer, 1st Class, O.N. 191617.

John Buttonshaw, Yeoman of Signals, O.N. 215905.

Ernest Farnsworth, Able Seaman, O.N. 220392.

Peter Robert Youngs, Able Seaman, O.N. J. 9388.

Alfred Charles Philip Arnold, Able Seaman, O.N. 152157.

George William Tatler, Able Seaman, O.N. J. 70.

For services in connection with the sinking of U.12—

Thomas Ong, Chief Petty Officer, Torpedo Coxswain, O.N. 156848.

William McGoff, Chief Petty Officer, Torpedo Coxswain, O.N. 187916.

Arthur Davis, Chief Petty Officer, Torpedo Coxswain, O.N. 161905.

George Rodgers, Petty Officer, O.N. 165462.

Frederick Marshall, Leading Seaman, O.N. 215976.

