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MONDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER, 1915.

*Admiralty, S.W.,
13th September, 1915.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of the following Officers to the Distinguished Service Order in recognition of the services mentioned:—

Commander Cecil Ponsonby Talbot, R.N.

For his services in sinking a German torpedo-boat destroyer off the enemy's coast on the 26th July, 1915, whilst on patrol duty in his submarine.

Lieutenant-Commander (now Commander) John Beauchamp Waterlow, R.N.

For his services in the minesweeping operations in the Dardanelles between the 19th February and 17th March, 1915. Lieutenant-Commander Waterlow took part in these operations on several occasions under a heavy fire, notably on the night of 13th-14th March, when he carried the attack through an area illuminated by six powerful search-lights and covered by the fire of four forts as well as numerous light guns.

Lieutenant-Commander Edgar Christopher Cookson, R.N.

For services during the operations in the Shatt-el-Arab. Lieutenant-Commander Cookson was conducting a reconnaissance up a creek of the Euphrates west of Qurnah in the armed launch "Shushan" on the 9th May, 1915, when he was heavily attacked by Arabs concealed in the reeds. Although severely wounded early in the action he resumed command after his wound had been temporarily dressed, and succeeded in most ably extricating the vessel from a perilous position under heavy rifle fire.

Lieutenant-Commander Godfrey Herbert, R.N.

Lieutenant-Commander Claude Congreve Dobson, R.N.

Lieutenant-Commander Archibald Douglas Cochrane, R.N.

For services in a submarine in the Sea of Marmora, where he did great damage to enemy shipping, and after blocking the railway line near Kava Burnu by bombarding it from the sea, shelled a troop train and blew up three ammunition cars attached to it.

Captain (temporary Major) Ernest Frederick Powys Sketchley, R.M.L.I., Royal Naval Division.

For services in the Gallipoli Peninsula. On the 13th July, during operations south of Achi Baba, a retreat began and rapidly developed, which might have had very serious consequences. Major Sketchley, who was with the supports, assisted by Lance-Corporal J. G. Way, prevented some of these men from retiring further. He then gathered together about 40 of them, reorganised them, and leading them forward, reoccupied some of the trenches. Major Sketchley and Lance-Corporal Way returned twice to gather more men, and, collecting in all about 100, retook further trenches, captured some 40 prisoners and secured the position. Both of them exhibited great courage, presence of mind and powers of personal leadership in a moment of crisis.

Lieutenant Mark Singleton, R.N.

For his services during the advance from Qurnah and capture of Amara at the beginning of June, 1915. Lieutenant Singleton was in command of the armed launch "Shaitan," and displayed great skill and energy in pursuit of the enemy gunboat "Marmariss" and other craft. He went ahead of the main force through Amara in a gallant manner and performed the remarkable feat in his small armed tug of bringing to surrender a body of about 11 officers and 250 men of the Turkish troops whom he had intercepted, and causing a large number to retire, thus largely contributing to the surrender of the town.

Squadron-Commander Arthur Wellesley Bigsworth, R.N.

For his services in destroying single-handed a German submarine on the morning of August 26th, 1915, by bombs dropped from an aeroplane. Squadron-Commander Bigsworth was under heavy fire from the shore batteries and from the submarine whilst manœuvring for position. Nevertheless, displaying great coolness, he descended to 500 feet, and after several attempts was able to get a good line for dropping the bombs with full effect.

Surgeon Basil Alfred Playne, R.N., Royal Naval Division.

For gallantry and good service during operations near Gaba Tepe from April 28th to May 1st, 1915. On several occasions he rushed across the open (the communication trench being incomplete) into the fire trenches and attended the seriously wounded, regardless of the severity of the enemy's fire; on one occasion he carried a wounded officer on his back from the fire trench to the communication trench under heavy fire. His conspicuous bravery not only inspired the stretcher bearers to perform fine work, but gave confidence and spirit to all ranks. He was again several times brought to notice for gallant deeds when attending wounded on May 3rd and 4th.

The KING has further been graciously pleased to give orders for the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to the following Officers:—

Lieutenant William Penrose Mark-Wardlaw, R.N.

Lieutenant Colin Cantlie, R.N.

Lieutenant Irving Montgomery Palmer, R.N.

For his services in command of H.M.S. "Comet" during the advance on Amara, where he was landed with a very small force to preserve order, and at the barracks, though accompanied by only two men, he received the surrender of a battalion of Turkish officers and men.

Sub-Lieutenant Reginald Horace Lilley, R.N.

For his services in charge of a 4.7" gun in a horseboat, and for the excellent manner in which he performed the difficult and dangerous task of securing a small steam tug, which had been left at Amara by the enemy with steam up, with a large lighter alongside her, and shipping in the lighter about 80 officers and 800 men who had been taken prisoners. Many of these had to be disarmed, and Sub-Lieutenant Lilley had only two men to assist him in the task.

Acting Lieutenant Alan Bennis Fennel Alcock, R.M.L.I., Portsmouth Battalion.

For gallantry and good service near Gaba Tepe, between the 28th April and 1st May, 1915. Accompanied by Lieutenant Empson, of the same regiment, with two platoons, numbering in all 60 men, he defended an isolated trench against overwhelming odds. Lieutenant Empson was wounded early in the day on April 30th, and was killed on May 1st, and Lieutenant Alcock was finally compelled to withdraw, after having held this ground for four nights and three days. During this time no food or water could be conveyed to the trench, and at one time ammunition was reduced to about 15 rounds per man.

Lieutenant George Swinney, R.N.R.

Lieutenant John Thomas Randell, R.N.R.

Lieutenant Thomas Edward Price, R.N.R.

Lieutenant Francis William Lyte, R.N.R.

For his services as pilot of the armed launch "Shushan," on the 9th May, 1915, when he handled the vessel with the utmost coolness under fire. Lieutenant Lyte has done good work in the Shatt-el-Arab operations on many other occasions.

Sub-Lieutenant Charles James Gibbon, R.N.R.

Sub-Lieutenant Charles Henry Hudson, R.N.R.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant Irvine Muirhead Twyman, R.N.R.

For his services in the submarine commanded by Lieutenant-Commander Cochran in the Sea of Marmora.

Sub-Lieutenant Frederick Parslow, R.N.R.

For his services in the horse-transport "Anglo-Californian," which was attacked by a German submarine on the 4th July,

and subjected to heavy gun-fire for an hour and a half. Sub-Lieutenant Parslow steered the ship throughout the action, and maintained his post after his father, the Captain of the ship, had been killed by a shell, until some of our patrol boats arrived and drove the submarine off.

Engineer James Crawford, R.N.R.

For his services as Chief Engineer of the same transport, in the escape of which he was largely instrumental by maintaining the vessel's maximum speed in spite of a shortage of firemen.

Skipper Jesse Jones, R.N.R.

Skipper Albert Edward Sayers, R.N.R.

Monsieur le Lieutenant de vaisseau Henri Julien Paul de l'Escaille, de la Marine française.

For his services in command of the French Seaplane Squadron in Egypt. During the earlier part of this year, when hostile patrols were in touch with the Allied forces holding the Suez Canal, Lieutenant de vaisseau de l'Escaille, as pilot, made some brilliant and daring reconnaissances over long stretches of the Sinai Peninsula, where engine failure meant certain destruction to plane and to pilot. On these occasions, although under fire, by his skill and courage, he never failed to secure valuable information as to the enemy's movements.

Monsieur le Lieutenant de vaisseau Alfred Louis Marie Cintré, de la Marine française.

For his services as a seaplane pilot in Egypt. He displayed great skill and intrepidity in a reconnaissance over Bir Saba on the 11th April, 1915, when his plane was subjected to a heavy shrapnel and musketry fire, and was hit in more than one place. With consummate coolness Lieutenant de vaisseau Cintré circled over Bir Saba again and again, until the number and position of the enemy were observed. He then turned his plane towards the ship, and, though the engine was damaged, succeeded by very skilful handling in traversing the distance of thirty-five miles to the coast-line in safety.

The following awards have also been approved:—

To receive the Distinguished Service Medal.

Leading Seaman William George Higson, O.N. 225885.

Leading Seaman William George Meadows, O.N. 232664.

Able Seaman Alfred Edward Halliday, O.N. 211659.

Chief Petty Officer William Harvey, O.N. 140080 (R.F.R.Dev., A. 3412).

Petty Officer Aubrey Charles Tagg, O.N. 167336.

Able Seaman William Arthur Kensit, O.N. 201510.

Petty Officer William Tovey, O.N. 228879.

Second Hand Henry Thompson Barrow, R.N.R., O.N. 1880 S.A.

Acting Chief Engine Room Artificer (2nd Class) Arthur Edward Wade, O.N. 270991.

Leading Seaman Alfred Buttons, O.N. 203867.

Petty Officer Edward Websdale, O.N. 182183.

Leading Seaman William George Dempsey, O.N. 215864.

Chief Petty Officer Alfred John Roberts, O.N. 130408 (R.F.R. Dev., A. 2995).

Leading Seaman William Henry Rowe, O.N. 152932.

Petty Officer (1st Class) John Kinnear McKay, O.N. 195819.

Signalman John Murray, O.N. J.8870.

Corporal Frederick George Collins, R.M.L.I., Ch./17036.

Petty Officer, 2nd Class, James George Burgess, O.N. 132932.

Able Seaman Robert Ernest Hunt, O.N. J.9250.

Petty Officer (2nd Class) Arthur Roberts, O.N. 151824.

Second Hand Henry Playle, R.N.R., O.N. 446 S.A.

Leading Seaman William McCadden, O.N. 226040.

Chief Petty Officer William John Toy, O.N. 147586.

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13th September, 1915.

The following awards have been approved for services in the Gallipoli Peninsula:—

To receive the Conspicuous Gallantry Medal.

Lance-Corporal John Gibson Way, R.M.L.I., Po./4356/R.F.R./B./487, Portsmouth Battalion.

For his services on the 13th July, when he exhibited great courage, presence of mind and powers of personal leadership in a moment of crisis in assisting Major Sketchley to turn a retreat into a successful advance.

Chief Petty Officer Richard Homer, O.N. 160808, Howe Battalion (now Sub-Lieutenant, R.N.V.R.).

For great gallantry on the 4th June in advancing to a position, from which he could fire at an enemy machine-gun, which was commanding the ground held by our men. Exhibiting coolness and resource he was able to work his way to a spot whence he managed greatly to diminish the effect of the enemy's fire.

Leading Seaman Arthur Robert Blore, London/3146, Anson Battalion.

The battalion having occupied a portion of the enemy's fire trench on the 4th June, was engaged in digging communication trenches to a position in rear of it, on which they were consolidating the line. The officer being shot, Seaman Blore took charge of a party of 22, who advanced to cover the retirement. He shot two of the crew of a Turkish machine-gun enfilading the trench, and kept up a steady fire checking the enemy who were re-occupying it. He exhibited great bravery and power of leadership on a difficult occasion.

Chief Petty Officer Frederick Wilton Stear, O.N. 173071, Anson Battalion (now Sub-Lieutenant R.N.V.R.).

Showed great gallantry and did meritorious work on the 4th June in rallying the men of the support line of the Collingwood Battalion, which had lost most of the officers, and in leading them to the assault of the enemy's trenches.

Able Seaman William James Pierce, Sussex 3/226, Howe Battalion.

Showed great gallantry on the 4th June in remaining in the enemy's trench and continuing firing, although wounded, to cover the retirement of other wounded men, and finally in carrying in a wounded man under heavy fire.

To receive the Distinguished Service Medal.

Able Seaman Patrick McKeown, Clyde 4/2332, Hood Battalion.

Private Edward Owens, R.M.L.I., Ply./12324, Plymouth Battalion.

Sergeant John Joseph Hughes, R.M.L.I., Po./10366, Portsmouth Battalion.

Corporal (Acting Serjeant) Albert Edward Hawkes, R.M.L.I., Po/9202, Portsmouth Battalion.

Private (Acting Serjeant) Frederick Ernest Victor Willcox, R.M.L.I., Po/16936, Portsmouth Battalion.

Lance-Corporal Richard David Cowbrough, R.M.L.I., Po/10940/R.F.R./B/1239, Portsmouth Battalion.

Petty Officer John McGrath, Clyde 1/1616, Nelson Battalion.

Stoker Edwin Brown, O.N. 211837, Nelson Battalion.

Stoker, 1st Class, John Ball, O.N. S.S. 106195, Howe Battalion.

Petty Officer Harold W. Smith, O.N. 176120, Howe Battalion.

Petty Officer Robert Denyer, K.X. 467, Hood Battalion.

Leading Seaman Douglas Albert Stewart, Clyde 1/2473, Hood Battalion.

Leading Seaman John McNeilage McIntyre, Clyde 5/2412, Anson Battalion.

Able Seaman James Carroll, Clyde 4/2550, Anson Battalion.

Able Seaman John Evans, Clyde 3/2229, Anson Battalion.

Chief Petty Officer Andrew Hempseed, Clyde 4/885, Collingwood Battalion.

Able Seaman William Joseph Gillam, Sussex Z/82, Hood Battalion.

Private Shadrach Hillsley, R.M.L.I., Po/167/S., Portsmouth Battalion.

Private William Thomas Ingram, R.M.L.I., Po/639/S., Portsmouth Battalion.

Lance-Corporal John Griffiths, R.M.L.I., Po/634/S., Portsmouth Battalion.

Chief Petty Officer William Carnall, 3/116 T, Hood Battalion (now Sub-Lieutenant R.N.V.R.).

With reference to the notices which appeared in the London Gazette of the 10th April and 21st May, 1915, the following are the names of men awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for service in submarines in the Sea of Mar-mora:—

Acting Leading Stoker George W. Attrill, P/218869.

Able Seaman Ernest F. Baker, C/J.10820.

Able Seaman Robert W. Barker, R.F.R./Ch/B.9187.

Able Seaman George J. Beament, R.F.R./Dev/B.4457.

Able Seaman George E. Bonner, C/J.2326.

Stoker, 1st Class, Henry Brassington, C/K.12223.

Engine Room Artificer (2nd Class) Albert E. Brooker, C/272371.

Leading Seaman Ernest Burton, O.N.193491 R.F.R./Ch/B.8349.

Petty Officer Charles Case, O.N.186086.

Leading Seaman Selim Chandler, R.F.R./Po/B.6067.

Able Seaman James Clark, R.F.R./Po/B. 5963.

Engine Room Artificer, 4th Class, Bertram G. Cornish, P/M.538.

Chief Stoker Frederick G. Cox, P.280053.

Stoker, 1st Class, Albert Crosbie, P/K.10069.

Stoker, 1st Class, Arthur T. Crow, P/K.4345.

Chief Petty Officer William Dowell, P/146095.

Petty Officer Herbert W. Ellison, P/222754.

Able Seaman Ernest F. Finney, D/230567.

Stoker, 1st Class, William B. Fletcher, P/K.2073.

Leading Stoker William T. Gast, P/208208

Petty Officer David J. Greene, P/230378.

Chief Engine Room Artificer, 2nd Class, Frank Hague, P/270661.

Stoker, 1st Class, Frederick Harris, P/K.6645.

Leading Stoker John T. Haskins, P/309523.

Stoker, 1st Class, William G. Hawker, P/K.3184.

Engine Room Artificer, 2nd Class, Reginald E. Jupp, P/272396.

Engine Room Artificer, 3rd Class, John J. Kelly, C/M.9392.

Stoker, 1st Class, William Keltie, R.F.R./Po/B.5405.

Able Seaman Alfred Kerridge, P/J.5396.

Petty Officer John Kirkcaldy, P/222473.

Stoker, 1st Class, Hubert G. Leggett, C/K.12090.

Engine Room Artificer, 4th Class, Ernest F. Little, C/M.4286.

Leading Telegraphist Edgar R. Lohden, D/J.3468.

Able Seaman Michael Loy, D/J.5840.

Stoker, 1st Class, Henry D. Mayne, P/293347.

Stoker, 1st Class, William Megee, C/K.13753.

Telegraphist Ralph Moyse, C/J.9772.

Stoker, 1st Class, Thomas J. Norton, P/K.11389.

Ordinary Signalman Alfred Ost, C/J.27633.

Leading Seaman Alfred E. Pearson,
R.F.R./Ch/B.10623.
Signalman George Plowman, P/J.11323.
Petty Officer Ebenezer Pollard, C/211774.
Chief Stoker William H. Porter,
R.F.R./Po/A.4066.
Able Seaman John Pye, C/225270.
Engine Room Artificer, 3rd Class, Walter C.
Richards, C/M.1663.
Able Seaman John Sharpe, C/J.7687.
Stoker, 1st Class, Robert Sherpherdson,
C/K.15220.
Petty Officer Joseph W. A. Sherlock,
R.F.R./Po/B.6930.
Able Seaman Albert Thomas, D/229664.
Petty Officer George Traves, P/212700.
Acting Leading Stoker Leslie G. Tutton,
P/309130.
Able Seaman Arthur G. Ward, C/J.5524.
Stoker, 1st Class, William Wheeler,
P/K.4374.
Able Seaman John Bertie Williams,
O.N.208221 R.F.R./Po/B.5883.
Stoker, 1st Class, Richard Williams, D/217949.
Engine Room Artificer, 3rd Class, Ernest H.
Wills, D/M.3106.
Able Seaman Stanley Wilson, O.N. J. 1582.
Petty Officer Edwin C. Wood, P/194344.

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13th September, 1915.

The following promotion has been made:—
Commander Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.,
R.N., to be Captain in His Majesty's Fleet,
for his services during the operations on the

Tigris river for the attack on the Turkish
positions north of Qurnah, and the advance
on and occupation of Amara.

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13th September, 1915.

In accordance with the provisions of Article
82 of the Regulations for the Royal Naval
Reserve, the following Sub-Lieutenant, Royal
Naval Reserve, has been transferred to the
list of Sub-Lieutenants, Royal Navy, for ser-
vice in action:—

Gordon Charles Steele. Dated 10th July,
1915.

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13th September, 1915.

Royal Naval Reserve.

The undermentioned Gentlemen have been
granted temporary Commissions in the ranks
stated against their names:—

Francis William Lyte as Lieutenant.
Dated 9th May, 1915.

Frederick Parslow, Junior, as Sub-Lieu-
tenant. Dated 4th July, 1915.

James Crawford, as Engineer. Dated 4th
July, 1915.

The following promotion has been made:—

Sub - Lieutenant (temporary) Albert
Charles Allman to be Lieutenant (tempo-
rary). Dated 27th July, 1915.

