

traverse with him. The bomb burst just before reaching the ground.

Military decorations could not be awarded in any of these cases, as the acts of gallantry were not performed in the face of the enemy.

Whitehall, May 16, 1916.

The KING has been pleased to award the Decoration of the Albert Medal of the Second Class to Lieutenant Charles Edward Cox Bartlett, South Staffordshire Regiment, in recognition of his gallantry in saving life at St. Peter's Barracks, Jersey, in February last:—

On the 22nd February, 1916, at St. Peter's Barracks, Jersey, one of the men under instruction at a bombing class, of which Lieutenant Bartlett was in charge, was practising with a catapult bomb thrower, and had removed the safety pin from a bomb, holding back the lever with his finger. In placing the bomb in the sling he dropped it, and, in a fright, ran backwards, colliding with Lieutenant Bartlett, who had started to pick up the bomb. Lieutenant Bartlett, however, succeeded in reaching the bomb in time to throw it over the parapet into the air, where it exploded harmlessly. The bomb was timed to explode five seconds after the lever was released.

This Officer had already been awarded the Military Cross.

Whitehall, May 18, 1916.

The KING was pleased, on Wednesday, the 17th instant, at Buckingham Palace, to present to Chief Petty Officer Michael Sullivan Keogh, R.N.A.S., late of H.M.S. "Ark Royal," the Albert Medal of the Second Class which was conferred upon him for gallantry in endeavouring to save the life of Captain C. H. Collet, D.S.O., R.M.A., on the occasion of an aeroplane accident at the Island of Imbros on the 19th August, 1915. Full particulars are set forth in the notice appearing in the London Gazette of the 14th January last.

Whitehall, May 18, 1916.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto the undermentioned Officers His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear Decorations (as stated against their respective names), which have been conferred upon them by the President of the French Republic in recognition of valuable services rendered by them:—

Insignia of Chevalier of the Legion of Honour.

Engineer Lieutenant-Commander Edward Featherstone Briggs, D.S.O., R.N. (Squadron Commander, R.N.A.S.).

Lieutenant John Tremayne Babington, D.S.O., R.N. (Squadron Commander, R.N.A.S.).

Flight Commander Sidney Vincent Sippe, D.S.O., R.N.A.S.

SPECIAL ACTS (EXTENSION OF TIME) ACT, 1915.

WALSALL CORPORATION ACT, 1914.

Whereas by section 1 of the Special Acts (Extension of Time) Act, 1915, it is provided that where the time within which a duty is to be performed or a power may be exercised

under any special Act is limited, an application may be made to the appropriate Government Department for an order under the said Act extending that time; but only in cases where the time is due to expire within twelve months of the date of the application:

And whereas, by section 90 of the Walsall Corporation Act, 1914, a local Act, the Walsall Corporation are empowered to apply to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department within two years after the passing of the said Act (viz., the 7th August, 1914), to appoint a Commissioner to make a scheme for the alteration of the wards of the said borough and the increase of the number of Councillors of the said borough in manner therein provided:

And whereas, on the 14th March, 1916, an application was made to me on behalf of the said Corporation for an Order under the said Act extending the time within which an application may be made under the said section 90 of the Walsall Corporation Act, 1914, for a period of twelve months from the 7th August next:

And whereas before dealing with the said application I required the said Corporation to publish notices of the said application and of the time when the same would be taken into consideration, and such notices have been duly published accordingly:

And whereas I am satisfied that in the circumstances of the case the time in respect of which the said application is made should be extended:

Now, therefore, I do hereby order that the time within which an application may be made under the said section 90 of the Walsall Corporation Act, 1914, shall be extended for a period of twelve months from the 7th day of August next.

Herbert Samuel,

His Majesty's Principal Secretary
of State for the Home Department.

Whitehall, 16th May, 1916.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that whereas the number of boys at the Macclesfield Industrial School has hitherto been limited to one hundred and fifty, he has sanctioned an increase of ten in the number of inmates of the said School.

The number of inmates at any one time in the said School, whether sent thereto in pursuance of the provisions of the Children Act, 1908, or of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, or otherwise, shall not exceed one hundred and sixty.

Whitehall,
18th May, 1916.

ALLERTON PRIORY, WOOLTON,
LIVERPOOL.

Temporary Certificate.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice that the Temporary Certificate granted by him on the 16th February, 1916, sanctioning the reception at the Allerton Priory Special Industrial School for mentally defective girls of not more than fifteen girls sent thereto in pursuance of the provisions of the Children Act, 1908, or the