of control. A few minutes later he attacked a red scout with a larger machine than the rest. This machine was handled with great skill, but by clever manœuvring Flt.-Lieut. Little got into a good position and shot it down out of control.

(The award of the Distinguished Service Cross was announced in the London Gazette

of 16th February, 1917.)

The following awards have also been approved:—

To receive the Distinguished Service Medal.

Act. Air Mech., 1st Cl., Frederick Bate, O N. F.13351.

Air Mech., 2nd Cl., Arthur Gilbert Flowers, O.N. F.19901.

P.O. Mech., 3rd Cl., John Willis Rose, O.N. J.2348 (Dev.).

Air Mech., 1st Cl., George Benedict Clements, O.N. F.9008.

Air Mech., 2nd Cl., John Robinson Laycock, O.N. F.9281.

C.P.O., 3rd Cl., Vernon Frank Whatling, O.N. 238581 (Ch.).

Air Mech., 1st Cl., Douglas Gream Rennett, O.N. F.9088.

Air Mech., 2nd Cl., Charles Stanley Laycock, O.N. F.10364.

The following Officers and men have been mentioned in Despatches:—

Sqdrn.-Cdr. Joseph Ruscombe Wadham Smyth-Pigott, D.S.O., R.N. Flt.-Cdr. Theodore Douglas Hallam, D.S.C.,

R.N.A.S.

Flt.-Sub-Lieut. John Roderick Ross, R.N.A.S. Mid. Edward Rupert Snow, R.N. (since killed).

Air Mech., 1st Cl., Walter Thomas Hollidge, O.N. F.8633 (since died of injuries).

Promotion for Service in Action.

Royal Naval Reserve.

Cdr. Selwyn Mitchell Day, R.D., to be Capt. Dated 16th March, 1917.

HONOURS TO THE MERCANTILE MARINE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of Decorations and Medals to the undermentioned Officers and man of the British Mercantile Marine, in recognition of zeal and devotion to duty shown in carrying on the trade of the country during the war:—

To receive a Bar to the Distinguished Service Order.

Capt. Frederick Maude Maling, D.S.O. (Lieut., R.N.R.).

To receive the Distinguished Service Cross.

Capt. William Frodsom. Capt. Stanley Cooper.

To receive the Distinguished Service Medal. Ldg. Sea. Alexander McDonald.

Mention.

Capt. Harold Smith. Capt. Thomas Morgan Hill. FOREIGN DECORATIONS.

The following decorations have been conferred by the Allied Powers on Officers of the British Naval Forces for distinguished services rendered during the war:—

DECORATIONS CONFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

LEGION OF HONOUR.

Officer.

Capt. John F. Warton, R.N.

CROIX DE GUERRE.

Capt. Ambrose M. Peck, D.S.O., R.N. Capt. Edward R. G. R. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., R.N.

Lieut. Francis C. Harrison, D.S.O., R.N. Lieut. Archibald Dayrell-Reed, D.S.O., R.N.R.

DECORATIONS CONFERRED BY THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT.

ORDER OF SAINT VLADIMIR.

-3rd Class (with Swords).

Rear-Adml. Thomas W. Kemp, C.B., C.I.E.

4th Class (with Swords).

Cdr. Oliver Locker-Lampson, M.P., R.N.V.R. Lieut. Ronald W. Blacklock, R.N.

ORDER OF SAINT ANNE. 3rd Class (with Swords).

Eng. Lieut.-Cdr. (Act. Eng. Cdr.) George W. Le Page, R.N.

Eng. Lieut. Cecil Simpson, R.N.

Asst. Payr. Marcus Blake, R.N. Sub-Lieut. Walter L. Crossing, R.N.V.R.

ORDER OF SAINT STANISLAS.

2nd Class (with Swords).

Lieut. Charles M. S. Chapman, D.S.C., R.N. Lieut. Guy T. Sholl, D.S.C., R.N.V.R.

3rd Class (with Swords).

Eng. Lieut.-Cdr. (Act. Eng.-Cdr.) George W.
Le Page, R.N.
Lieut. Norman E. Archer, R.N.
Lieut. Edwin J. Couch, D.S.C., R.N.R.
Sub-Lieut. George R. Turner, R.N.V.R.
Sub-Lieut. Cecil H. Tatton-Tatton, R.N.V.R.

DECORATIONS CONFERRED BY HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF ITALY.

Order of Saint Maurice and Saint Lazarus.

Officer.

Cdr. Alexander R. W. Woods, D.S.O., R.N. Cdr. James M. Pipon, R.N.

ORDER OF THE CROWN OF ITALY.

Commander.

Rear-Adml. Stuart St. J. Farquhar. Capt. Douglas L. Dent, C.M.G., R.N. Capt. Hugh L. P. Heard, D.S.O., R.N. Capt. Ernest A. Taylor, R.N.