

come to be holden by the same Incumbent, from time to time as the same shall become vacant, shall be as follows, that is to say:—the right of presentation shall belong to and be vested in the said Constance Caroline Halliday, and her successors in title, and the said Mary Caroline, Countess of Lovelace, and her successors in title, alternately—the first right of presentation to the said United Benefice being vested in the said Constance Caroline Halliday, and her successors in title.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 8th day of *November*, 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

**HIS MAJESTY** having been pleased to deliver the custody of the Seals of the Duchy and County Palatine of Lancaster to the Right Honourable William Hayes Fisher, the Oath of Office as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster was accordingly this day taken by him.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

*Privy Council Office,*  
8th November, 1918.

**ISLE OF MAN (WAR LEGISLATION)  
ACT, 1914.**

Notice is hereby given that Paragraph 2 of Section 1 (1) of the Schedule to the Order in Council of the 23rd ultimo, extending, with adaptations, the Parliament and Local Elections Act, 1918, to the Isle of Man, which Order was published in the London Gazette of the 25th ultimo (page 12595), should read as if the figures "1919" were substituted therein for "1918."

*Crown Office,*  
6th November, 1918.

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal bearing date the fifth day of November, 1918, to grant to Paul Ogden Lawrence, Esq., K.C., the office of one of the Justices of His Majesty's High Court of Justice.

*Crown Office,*  
7th November, 1918.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

*County of Wilts, Southern or Wilton Division.*  
Hugh Morrison, Esquire, in the place of Sir Charles Bathurst, K.B.E., now Baron Bledisloe of Lydney, called up to the House of Peers.

*Whitehall, 4th November, 1918.*

His Majesty The KING has been pleased to award the Edward Medal to John Garner under the following circumstances:—

On the 29th April, 1918, one of a battery of seven boilers in the boiler-house of the factory of the British Thomson-Houston Co., Ltd., at Rugby, exploded. Garner, a stoker,

at once entered the house, which was filled with steam and boiling water and in a serious condition, in the hope of rescuing any person who might be injured. Large masses of masonry were threatening to fall, and either of the remaining two boilers under steam was likely to explode at any time. The only light available was a hand lamp carried by Garner. After searching some five minutes, Garner discovered an injured man lodged on a projecting beam; but was unable to reach him. He stood by him, however, until the beam canted and the injured man fell to the ground without further hurt. No other persons were injured by the accident. Garner undoubtedly risked his life to save a fellow-workman.

Also the Edward Medal in silver to James Simpson, a fireman at the Glenraig Colliery, Fife:—

On the 21st May, 1918, a repairer, whilst engaged with two other workmen in carrying out repairs, was killed by a fall of roof. The two workmen were both caught and held by the fall. Simpson, who arrived half an hour later, found the men imprisoned and realised that if he went for help they would be suffocated before it could arrive. He immediately set to work unaided and worked for three hours without relaxation, though exposed to danger from the falling roof. At last he succeeded in releasing one of the men. Simpson was then so exhausted that he could not release the second man; but he protected him with timber before going for help. Had it not been for Simpson's presence of mind and devotion the two men would have lost their lives.

Also the Edward Medal to Charles Sellars, Deputy, and Laurence Wiseman, a collier, employed at the Grimethorpe Colliery, Barnsley:—

On the 20th April, 1918, a collier was buried by a fall of roof. Sellars was soon on the spot, and, after failing in an effort to get at the man by working under falling ground, he got on the top of the fall and worked along with Wiseman. After two hours and a half of persistent effort they succeeded in rescuing the workman. Both Sellars and Wiseman ran the risk of being injured by further falls.

Also the Edward Medal in silver to Frederick Holdway, a Deputy, and the Edward Medal to George Henry Laver, Under Manager, and Thomas Harper, Collier, all employed at the Ackton Hall Colliery, Featherstone:—

On the 6th May, 1918, three miners were working at the face in the Ackton Hall Colliery when a heavy fall of roof occurred, imprisoning one of the men. Holdway, who was soon on the spot, immediately began the work of rescue, and, with six others, including Harper and Laver, succeeded, after working hard for nearly 24 hours, in rescuing the imprisoned workman. The rescue was carried out with exceptional skill and determination under very dangerous conditions. Holdway specially distinguished himself and showed a fine example of courage and coolness. Harper and Laver were also specially mentioned for their resource and presence of mind.