

tive weeks and that suitable messroom accommodation shall be provided.

Whitehall,
6th July, 1922.

Downing Street,
1st July, 1922.

The KING has been pleased to appoint Ernest Eldred McDonald, Esq. (Commissioner, Kyrenia District), to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the Island of Cyprus.

Board of Trade,
Great George Street,
London, S.W. 1.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Decoration of the Albert Medal upon Jack Chalmers, of Sydney, New South Wales.

The following is an account of the services in respect of which the Decoration has been conferred:—

On the 4th February, 1922, Milton Coughlan was swimming just outside the breakers at Coogee Beach, Sydney, N.S. Wales, when he was attacked by a shark, which bit deeply into his left forearm. Freeing himself, he fought and drove away the shark, which, however, returned and succeeded in establishing a hold on his right arm, but the grip was again broken.

Observing what had happened, Jack Chalmers had a line tied round his waist, and immediately dashed across the rocks to the rescue, and although he slipped and fell, and was momentarily stunned through his head coming into contact with a rock, he quickly recovered, plunged into the water and swam out to Coughlan, who was floating helplessly in the water; Chalmers caught hold of him round the body, and held him until they were both hauled in to the rocks.

The injured bather's arms were practically bitten through and the flesh torn from them, and the unfortunate man succumbed to his injuries shortly after reaching hospital.

Jack Chalmers undoubtedly fully realised the risk he was incurring, and showed extraordinary gallantry in going to Coughlan's rescue in the circumstances. That the danger was considerable is clear from the fact that a number of sharks were seen swimming around the spot where the rescue occurred immediately after the bather was lifted ashore.

Board of Trade,
Mercantile Marine Department,
No. 3, Sanctuary Buildings,
Great Smith Street, S.W. 1.
1st July, 1922.

The Board of Trade hereby give notice, under the General Rules for Formal Investigations into Shipping Casualties and Appeals and Rehearings, 1907, that they have received during the month of June, 1922, the following Reports of Formal Investigations into Shipping Casualties held by:—

Courts in British Self-Governing Dominions, Crown Colonies and Possessions Abroad:—

1. S.S. "Mokau."
2. S.S. "Canadian."

3. S.S. "Gaika."
4. Ferry Steamer "Santi" and S.L. "Guzie."
5. S.S. "Cooma."

Admiralty, 30th June, 1922.
R.N.R.

His Majesty The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Royal Naval Reserve Officers' Decoration to the following Officers:—

- Cdr. James W. Gracey.
Cdr. William D. P. Jones.
Lieut.-Cdr. Frank Pattinson.
Lieut.-Cdr. Douglas Davenport-Jones.
Payr. Lieut.-Cdr. Frederic Richardson.

Admiralty, 30th June, 1922.

Comd. Eng. John A. Spillane placed on Retd. List, with rank of Eng. Lieut. 9th June 1922.

Michael B. Devane, Esq., to be Surgeon Lieut. 30th June 1922.

Admiralty, 1st July, 1922.

R.N.R.

Lieut. Ernest V. Pennington placed on Retd. List. 8th June 1922.

Lieut. Robert E. Sharpley placed on Retd. List. 14th June 1922.

Admiralty, 3rd July, 1922.

Engr. Comdr. Bertram W. Knott placed on Retd. List at own request. 3rd July 1922.

Cd. Eng. Alfred T. Oliver placed on Retd. List at own request, with rank of Eng. Lieut. 19th May 1922.

Lieut. George N. Small placed on Retd. List at own request. 1st July 1922.

Pay.-Cdr. Frank P. E. Hanham placed on Retd. List at own request, with rank of Paymaster Captain. 30th June 1922.

Comd. Eng. Charles Chafen placed on Retd. List at own request, with rank of Eng. Lieut. 19th May 1922.

R.M.L.I.

Capt. Harold W. Wilby is secd. whilst holding a special appt. 1st July 1922.

Admiralty, 4th July, 1922.

Lieut. William S. Cazalet placed on Retd. List at own request. 24th June 1922.

Eng. Lieut. George E. Martin placed on Retd. List at own request. 19th May 1922.

Eng. Lieut. George T. Roper placed on Retd. List at own request. 15th May 1922.

Cd. Eng. William M. Shepherd placed on Retd. List at own request, with rank of Eng. Lieut. 15th May 1922.

Comd. Boatswain Charles A. Munn placed on Retd. List at own request, with rank of Lieut. 19th June 1922.

Comd. Gunner Thomas P. Collins placed on Retd. List at own request, with rank of Lieut. 22nd June 1922.

Comd. Gunner John Bellis placed on Retd. List at own request, with rank of Lieut. 17th June 1922.