

and Hooper. It was largely due to their untiring efforts and example that the lives of the 33 survivors were saved.

Awarded the George Medal:—

William Hutchison Thomson, Able Seaman.

When the ship was sunk, the port forward lifeboat, after being lowered, capsized, taking with it Thomson and five other men. Thomson extricated himself and then, despite the extreme cold of the water, repeatedly dived under the boat until he had got out all the others. He managed to get them on to the boat's keel, and later they were picked up.

Awarded the British Empire Medal (Civil Division):—

John Conroy, Galley Boy.

When the ship was sunk in an enemy attack the Galley Boy showed outstanding courage and coolness throughout.

COMMENDATIONS.

The individuals named below have been Commended for brave conduct when their ships encountered enemy ships, submarines, aircraft or mines:—

Richard Phillips, Esq. (deceased), Third Radio Officer.

Patrick Wilcock, Boatswain.

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