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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the VICTORIA CROSS for valour in command of H.M. Submarines to: Commander John Wallace Linton, D.S.O., D.S.C., Royal Navy.

From the outbreak of War until H.M.S. Turbulent's last patrol Commander Linton was constantly in command of submarines, and during that time inflicted great damage on the Enemy. He sank one Cruiser, one Destroyer, one U-boat, twenty-eight Supply Ships, some 100,000 tons in all, and destroyed three trains by gun-fire. In his last year he spent two hundred and fifty-four days at sea, submerged for nearly half the time, and his ship was hunted thirteen times and had two hundred and fifty depth charges aimed at her.

His many and brilliant successes were due to his constant activity and skill, and the daring which never failed him when there was an Enemy to be attacked.

On one occasion, for instance, in H.M.S. Turbulent, he sighted a convoy of two Merchantmen and two Destroyers in mist and moonlight. He worked round ahead of the convoy and dived to attack it as it passed through the moon's rays. On bringing his sights to bear he found himself right ahead of a Destroyer. Yet he held his course till the Destroyer was almost on top of him, and, when his sights came on the convoy, he fired. His great courage and determination were rewarded. He sank one Merchantman and one Destroyer outright, and set the other Merchantman on fire so that she blew up.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following Awards:

For bravery and devotion to duty in successful patrols in H.M.S. Turbulent:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Lieutenant John Priestley Blake, Royal Navy.

Lieutenant Brian Clement Weston Clements, Royal Navy.
Lieutenant John Anthony Rose Troup, Royal Navy.

Bar to the Distinguished Service Medal.

Engine Room Artificer Fourth Class Arthur Stanley Crowston, D.S.M., P/MX.54553.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Petty Officer William Hogg, D/J.102496.

Petty Officer Cook Tom Gardner, P/MX.49964.
Engine Room Artificer Harry Bromby, P/MX.50465.

Engine Room Artificer Frederick Charles Wallis, C/MX.64815.

Leading Seaman Henry Frederick Walker, C/JX.129558.

Leading Stoker Reginald Sponder, C/KX.81642.

Stoker First Class Thomas John Willicombe, D/KX.95054.

Able Seaman William Arthur Glester, C/SSX.32771.

Able Seaman Robert Herbert Reeves, C/JX.129071.

Able Seaman Frederick Percival De Maine Stone, C/JX.135333.

Mention in Despatches.

Petty Officer Steward James William Weatherly, P/LX.22249.

Engine Room Artificer Fourth Class Malcolm Simpson, P/MX.72069.

Able Seaman Charles Henry Pearce, D/J.101914.

Able Seaman Robert Rowcroft Ridley, P/JX.191213.

Able Seaman John Stead, C/JX.194867.

Stoker First Class Cecil Darling, C/KX.132024.

Stoker First Class Joseph William Thomas Tunnell, C/KX.110965.

Telegraphist Norman Brown, C/JX.162871.

For good services in the Madagascar operations:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Temporary Lieutenant (Special) Aubrey Gordon Booker, R.N.V.R.

For his skill and efficiency when sailing in convoys:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Mr. Clifford Sidney Charles Nixon, First Radio Officer.

For distinguished services in actions with light forces against the Japanese in Burmese waters:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Acting Lieutenant-Commander St. John Hewitt Heather, R.I.N.V.R.

Lieutenant Syed Mohammed Ahsan, Royal Indian Navy.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Leading Signalman Frank William Miller, D/JX.229625.

Mention in Despatches.

Lieutenant Allan Roger Bentley, R.I.N.V.R.

Sub-Lieutenant Michael Hughes Agnew, Royal Navy.

Sub-Lieutenant Arthur George Pike, R.I.N.V.R.

Sub-Lieutenant Thomas MacDonald Beatty Watt, R.I.N.V.R.

For good service in remaining on board a Merchantman to search the cabins and decks after she was torpedoed:

Mention in Despatches.

Petty Officer Charles Edward Cullen, S.A.N.F., S.A.68086.

Corporal James Peter Flangon, Royal Marines, Ch.X.2085.

For coolness and courage in destroying an enemy aircraft which attacked H.M.D. Boy Alex:

Mention in Despatches.

Skipper John Morrison, D.S.C., R.N.R., 2979 W. S.

Chief Petty Officer George Edward Chicken, R.N.R., LT/X.10433B.

For courage and endurance while serving in light coastal craft in an action against an enemy armed trawler, which resulted in its destruction:

Mention in Despatches.

Able Seaman Joseph Garry, C/JX.278562.

Chief Motor Mechanic Joseph Howard Thompson, P/MX.98650.

Seaman Angus MacLeod, R.N.R., LT/X.9531C.

For energy and skill in carrying out repair work when their ship was torpedoed:

Mention in Despatches.

Mr. George Albert Henry Wellstead, D.S.M., Warrant Engineer, Royal Navy.

Chief Stoker Harold Wood, P/K.59755.
Shipwright First Class Harold Robert Stephens, P/MX.5884.

For courage and endurance in action in Northern Waters:

Mention in Despatches.

Electrical Artificer Third Class Ernest Charles Hibberd, D/MX.56583.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following award in recognition of gallant and distinguished services in the I.W.T. Idar:

The Indian Distinguished Service Medal.

Seaman Sheik Yeassin, Second Cook, Mercantile Marine.

The following corrections are made:

In the London Gazette Supplement No. 35967 of 6th April, 1943.

Page 1586:

The award of the Distinguished Service Cross to Temporary Lieutenant Ernest Edward Herman, R.N.V.R., was published in error and it is now cancelled.

In the London Gazette Supplement No. 35967 of 6th April, 1943.

Page 1584:

For Temporary Lieutenant Henry Frederick George Andrea, R.N.V.R.

Read Temporary Lieutenant Henry Frederick George Andreae, R.N.V.R.

In the London Gazette Supplement No. 35985 of 20th April, 1943.

Page 1815:

For Acting Able Seaman Thomas James Bater, D/JX.291339).

Read Acting Able Seaman Thomas James Bater, D/JX.291639.

In the London Gazette Supplement No. 35978 of 13th April, 1943.

Page 1700:

For Petty Officer James Stanley Goffin, R.N.P.S., P/JX.128836.

Read Petty Officer James Stanley Goffin, R.N., P/JX.128836.

In the London Gazette Supplement No. 36011 of 11th May, 1943.

Page 2111:

For Temporary Lieutenant Norman John Devlin, R.N.R.

Read Temporary Lieutenant John Norman Devlin, R.N.R.

In the London Gazette Supplement No. 36019 of 18th May, 1943.

Page 2216:

For Lieutenant-Commander Peter Capel Merrick, Royal Navy.

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