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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS
OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
31st August, 1943.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to:

Able Seaman Thomas James O'Brien, D/JX.
226997.

for bravery and initiative in taking a line in very hazardous circumstances, from a burning lighter, enabling her to be towed from harbour where she was a danger to other shipping.

ADMIRALTY.

*Whitehall.
31st August, 1943.*

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

For great bravery and undaunted devotion to duty:

The Distinguished Service Cross

Temporary Lieutenant Richard Hrafn Newman, R.N.V.R.
Temporary Lieutenant Harold Hagen Dell, R.N.V.R.

Mention in Despatches.

Chief Petty Officer Frank Reginald Wills, D/J.96305.
Second Hand James Mercer Thomson, R.N.P.S., LT/JX.217841.
Petty Officer Lawrence Ralph Bilton, D/SSX, 17005.

Leading Seaman Joseph Howarth, D/SSX.
21057.

Leading Seaman John Mackay, D/SR.8447.
Able Seaman Patrick McConville, D/SSX.
32606.

For good seamanship, fortitude and courage while under continuous attack from the enemy in Northern Waters:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Acting Temporary Lieutenant-Commander Vivian Dickinson Hamlin Bidwell, R.N.R.
Captain George Welbourne Stephenson, O.B.E., Master.

For good services in towing a burning vessel out of harbour, while serving in H.M. Tug Sturdy:

Mention in Despatches.

Boatswain Henry Edward Jones, NAP/R.
81802.
Sailor William Skinner, NAP/R.230139.
Fireman Richard Blacker, NAP/R.206247.

For resource and energy in organising and maintaining the flow of supplies during the victorious advance of the Eighth Army in North Africa:

Mention in Despatches.

Acting Captain Henry Francis Waight, Royal Navy (retired).
Acting Lieutenant-Commander William Chilton Brooks, M.B.E., R.N.V.R.
Temporary Lieutenant (E) Harold Oswald Brown, R.N.V.R.
Mr. Lewes James Boulton, Boatswain, Royal Navy.
Leading Coder Eric Fergus Butters, D/JX.
201140.