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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.
14th December, 1943.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

To be Additional Officers of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Commander (E) John Bonfoy Rooper, Royal Navy,
Lieutenant-Commander (E) Patrick MacDonald Rouse, Royal Navy,

To be an Additional Member of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Mr. John Nigh Hemmens, Temporary Warrant Engineer, Royal Navy (Devonport),
for outstanding leadership, courage and skill.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the George Medal to:—

Petty Officer Wesley Barker, C/J.103625,
for gallantry and undaunted devotion to duty.

Marine (Acting Temporary Corporal) George Herbert Gill, Ply.21485 (Newport, Monmouthshire),
for outstanding courage and resource when a fire broke out in the hold of a ship

carrying explosives, in rescuing an injured companion and putting out the fire before firefighting equipment could be brought to bear.

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

Chief Stoker William Henry Beckett, D/KX, 77894 (Bude),

Chief Engine Room Artificer Benjamin George Rees, P/M.38381,

Chief Stoker Frederic Marsh, P/K.65754.

Shipwright First Class Albert Harry Farr, P/M.38657,

Chief Stoker Edwin Theodore Prowse, D/KX. 86825 (Devonport),

Stoker Petty Officer James Albert Warren, D/KX.86367 (Syston),

for great bravery, skill and resource.

Stoker First Class John Hawtrey Capes, P/KX.86067,

for outstanding courage, endurance and resource.

Able Seaman Ronald Keith Larkin, R.A.N.R., F.2363,

for great bravery and enterprise while serving in a defensively equipped Merchant Ship, in helping to dispose of an unexploded bomb after an enemy air attack.