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AND THE ROYAL MARINES

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ABBREVIATIONS

‡‡ Indicates the issue of a second bar to a recipient already in possession of the medal and bar for a previous campaign. It should be noted that a number of medals were named in error before it was realised that the recipient had already received the medal for previous campaign service. These medals were, with few exceptions, not issued and returned to the Mint on 2 September 1924. A small number of medals with the bar for the second campaign were issued in error, but all were recalled and the bar only issued.

‡‡‡ Indicates the issue of the only three bar medal. (See multibar medal list).

Retd Indicates a medal properly issued to a recipient but subsequently recalled either to be forfeited (as a result of misconduct) or because the recipient could not be found.

Medals produced in error (i.e. not entitled) are not noted as *Retd* (see ‡‡ above).

Dup(s) Duplicate medal(s) issued.

‡ Recipient also entitled to the Naval General Service Medal 1915 with bar Iraq.

‡‡ Recipient also entitled to the Messina Earthquake Commemorative Medal.

INTRODUCTION

The medal roll for the African General Service Medal to Naval and Marine Forces is held at the Public Record Office in the ADM.171 series. It is available for viewing on micro film by readers. The problem is, of course, that not all of us can get to Kew whenever the fancy takes us. This book is meant for the majority who are not able to avail themselves of the Public Record Office facilities with the ease and frequency of the privileged few.

In this volume we have included a listing of casualties, details of the Royal Indian Marine and selected Despatches. Details of duplicate and returned medals have been noted in the text. Service numbers have been included as an aid to further research. Service papers are available at the Public Record Office as follows:-

Royal Navy

Ratings	service numbers up to 165000	ADM 188 series
Commissioned Officers		ADM 196 series

Royal Marines

Chatham Div.	service numbers up to Ch. 14872	ADM 159 series
Portsmouth Div.	service numbers up to Po. 11366	ADM 159 series
Plymouth Div.	service numbers up to Ply.11464	ADM 159 series
R.M.A. Officers	service numbers up to RMA 9435	ADM 159 series ADM 196 series

We have endeavoured to avoid errors. It is extremely unlikely, however, that we have achieved perfection and we would be grateful for notification of any lapses.

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GAMBIA**H.M.S. DWARF**

Type: Steel Gunboat
Displacement: 710 tons
Dimensions: 180 x 33 x 8 feet
Armament: 2-4in QF, 4-12pdr

The vessel was built by the London & Glasgow Co. and launched on 15 November 1898. She was sold to Ward at Pembroke on 13 July 1926.

Total	Returned	Entitled
2	0	2

Ranner, P.W.H. *Dup*
Shakespear, H.F.
Issued by War Office

L/Sergt
Comdr

Po6408

H.M.S. FORTE

Type: Second Class Cruiser
 Displacement: 4,360 tons
 Dimensions: 320 x 49.5 x 19 feet
 Armament: 2–6in QF, 8–4.7in QF, 10–6pdr QF, 1–3pdr QF, 4–18in torpedo tubes

The vessel was built in Chatham Dock Yard and launched on 9 December 1893. She was sold to Tydeman in Holland on 2 April 1914.

Total	Returned	Entitled
29	1	28

Bean, A.C.	Surgn	
Bergin, J.C.P.	AB	165647
Bunton, C.W.L.	St/Surgn	
<i>Note – Correct initials are C.L.W.</i>		
Chamberlain, G.	L/S	160467
Coombes, J.H.	AB	179223
Course, A.T.	L/S	168987
Dearman, F.C.	Pte	Ch9155
Grove, C.F.M.	Pte	Ch9105
Haynes, F.E.	Q/Sig	147862
Holland, E.	Gunner	
Hunt, G.P.E.	Comdr	
Jezzard, F.	AB	170192
Johnson, P.	Lieut	
Lilly, F.J.	Ft/Surgn	
Littlejohns, J.S.	AB	188344
Massey-Dawson, F.E.	Lieut	
Miller, F.C.	L/S	178172
Rogan, P.	AB	159845
Smith, A.G.	PO2	170673
Sparkes, R.C.	Captain	
Steel, J.M.	Lieut	
<i>Issued by War Office</i>		
Styles, E.G. ††	Asst/Payr	
Sweeney, J. <i>Retd</i>	3/Wrtr	182893
Terry, E.	AB	127853
Tume, W.D.	Pte	Ch6465
Warlow, J.	Ch/Arm	157067
Williams, C.R.	AB	158210
Wood, G.E. <i>Dup</i>	AB	184131
Woodward, A.W.	SB/Attn	350428

H.M.S. THRUSH

Type: Composite Screw Gunboat
 Displacement: 805 tons
 Dimensions: 165 x 31 x 11 feet
 Armament: 6-4in QF, 2-3pdr

The vessel was built by Scott at Greenock and launched on 22 June 1889. She was transferred to the Coastguard in 1906, became a cable ship in 1915 and a salvage ship in 1916. She was wrecked near Glenarm, Northern Ireland on 11 April 1917.

Total	Returned	Entitled
4	0	4

Brown, H. <i>Dup</i>	AB	167221
D'Oyly, W.H. ††	Comdr	
<i>Issued by War Office</i>		
Hogan, P.J. ††	L/Sig	125471
Way, W.G.M.	Lieut	
<i>Issued by War Office</i>		

TRANSPORT

Total	Returned	Entitled
2	0	2

Mills, T.L.	Sub Lieut RNR
<i>Issued by War Office</i>	
Rothwell, W.H.	Lieut RNR
<i>Issued by War Office</i>	

ARO 1900-1901

H.M.S. THRUSH

Type: Composite Screw Gunboat
 Displacement: 805 tons
 Dimensions: 165 x 31 x 11 feet
 Armament: 6-4in QF, 2-3pdr

The vessel was built by Scott at Greenock and launched on 22 June 1889. She was transferred to the Coastguard in 1906, became a cable ship in 1915 and a salvage ship in 1916. She was wrecked near Glenarm, Northern Ireland on 11 April 1917.

Total	Returned	Entitled
54	8	46

Beddard, W.	AB	196751	Millican, F.	Sh/Cook	159801
Binsted, F.	Arm/Mte	340927	Mitchell, A.	AB	170967
Blackman, T. <i>Retd</i>	Kroo		Moir, D.F.	Sub Lieut	
Bolton, F.W.	AB	162746	Morgan, H.G.	ERA	269550
Booker, J.H.	Pte	Ch12356	Negus, Mr F.	Government	S.Nigeria
Brock, W.	L/Sto	135006		Auditor	Volunteers
Brodrick, W.J.	PO2	167377	Ovenstone, W.	Sto	170196
Brownhill, J.R. <i>Retd</i>	AB	196833	Penfound, E.J.	AB	166702
Clowe, G.W.	AB	203620	Pepple, H.	Dom	360165
Cowling, F.	AB	195316	Perry, H.J.	PO1	128043
D'Oyly, W.H. ††	Lt/Comdr		Pibworth, H.J.T.	AB	194680
Down, A.	AB	198143	Raveney, A.	Pte	Ch6335
Evans, H.	AB	171020	Raynor, W.	AB	187588
Forsdike, W.	Pte	Ch7554	Richardson, A.	PO1	171617
George, W.	Carp/Mte	132218	Scully, C.	Sto	170176
Hardy, H. <i>Retd</i>	Sto	288647	Stares, T.H. <i>Dup</i>	Ord	202884
Harries, R.G. <i>Dup</i>	Ord	191482	Steel, J. <i>Retd</i>	Sto	161987
Hickman, F.	Pte	Po9595	Steer, S.J.	Pte	Ch8810
Hogan, P. ††	2/Yeo/Sig	125471	Stephenson, J.H.	Pte	Ch3548
Homer, R.	PO1	160808	Threadgold, W.	Ch/Sto	140915
Hopwood, J.H.	Ord	206790	Toby, E. <i>Retd</i>	Kroo	
Johnston, A.	AB	199044	Toby, T. <i>Retd</i>	Head Kroo	
Keating, J.	AB	200936	Vanstone, J. ††	Sh/Std	168537
Lobb, F.F.	Surgn		Walker, J.	Kroo	
Manton, R. <i>Dup</i>	PO2	171781			
Marchington, W.	Pte	Ch10404	<i>Roll states, 'Clasp detached.' Medal not issued.</i>		
Mardlin, H.	AB	203794	Webb, G.W. <i>Retd</i>	Q/Sig	174632
McCulloch, S.A.	Gunner		Whitfield, C.A.	Pte	Ply9698
			Wilson, W.E.	AB	171482

JUBALAND

H.M.S. MAGICIENNE

Type: Second Class Cruiser, reclassified as a Third Class Cruiser shortly after completion

Displacement: 2,950 tons

Dimensions: 265 x 42 x 16.5 feet

Armament: 6-6in breech-loaders (rifled), 9-6pdr QF, 1-3pdr, 3-machine guns, 2-torpedo tubes, 2-torpedo carriages. The vessel was rearmed during the 1890s with 6in QF guns

The vessel was built by Fairfield at Govan and launched on 12 May 1888. She was sold on 11 July 1905.

Total	Returned	Entitled
172	7	165

Ackliman.	Interp		Dolan, J.	Sto	154173
Allen, G.	Dom	354860	Dore, J.K.	Sto	285609
Avery, S.	Ch/Sto	133118	Dreaper, G.A. ††	St/Surgn	
Babb, H.	PO2	127140	Drowley, T.B.	AB	166345
Barrick, A.J.	AB	159674	Dunderdale, J.	Shpwrt	341587
Binding, G.R. ††	Sto	278605	Durrant, S.	Pte	Ply8243
Bishop, W.H.G.	AB	189161	Eddey, F.	AB	163283
Blake, F. <i>Retd</i>	AB	162470	Edwards, T. <i>Retd</i>	Dom	356945
Boon, F.	ERA	173586	Egan, P.	L/Sto	149196
Bowering, A.	AB	180787	Ellam, R.	AB	128989
Bradley, E.	AB	191146	Endicott, W. <i>Dup</i>	AB	179683
Bransfield, W.	Sto	285691	Erridge, A.J.	Cpl	Ch7310
Brown, H.J.	Act/CPO	126951	Faulkner, T.	Sto	285694
Burke, J. ††	Yeo Sig	138847	Fisher, W.B.	Captain	
Bye, R.	L/Sto	123908	Flynn, S.M.	Sto	280372
Cain, R.	AB	165817	Foster, J.	Pte	Po4641
Callaghan, J.	AB	177007	Frost, C.	PO1	133531
Candy, H.	AB	164613	Fuller, R.	Pte	Ply8228
Channings, A.	AB	155007	Gately, T. †† <i>Dup</i>	L/Sto	167899
Charlick, H.	PO1	127836	Gibby, R.T.	AB	172678
Clarke, F.	Sto	281012	Gillam, C.W.	Pte	Po9731
Clemas, W.	Sto	355226	Gillard, G.	Sto	278204
Clisham, J.	Sto	285614	Gordon, J.	Pte	Ply8241
Conway, J.	Sto	290291	Gough, G.J.	Sto	158883
Cottis, H.	AB	188077	Grant-Dalton, J.F.	Lieut	
Counter, W.	Sto	174253	Greenhill, A.C.	Q/Sig	191355
Cousins, A.	Pntr	124918	Gritton, J.T.	AB	118495
Cullis, J.	AB	117577	Hambly, A.	Lieut	
Cusack, J.M.L.	Clerk		Hanks, J.	AB	160182
<i>Also on 'Terpsichore'</i>			Hannant, S.	PO2	160620
Dahomey.	Interp		Harper, J.E.T.	Lieut	
Davies, D.	Pte	Ply2094	Harris, C.A.	AB	166867
Dawe, S.H. <i>Dup</i>	Q/Sig	185605	Harris, J.H.	Ch/Carp/Mte	132427
Dillon, P.	Sto	153455	Harris, R.J. <i>Dup</i>	AB	188838
Dixon, G.	Pte	Ply5170	Harry, E.J.	Plmbr/Mte	342630

H.M.S. MAGICIENNE — *Contd.*

Hart, D.	AB	148468	Northcott, E.E.	PO1	138983
Haich, R.	L/Sto	280124	Nott, C.	Dom	355539
Hatherell, G.E.	Pte	Po7105	Nugent, M.	Sto	278282
Haughins, A.J.	Carp/Crew	341475	Olley, W.A.	AB	
Hayes, J.	Sto	280666	<i>Note - Official number not noted on roll.</i>		
Hicks, W.C.	Sto	280963	Pardew, A.S.	PO2	150664
Higgins, I.H.	AB	189159	Pawley, J.T. <i>Dup</i>	Sto	279644
Hill, T.	AB	160233	Pearson, J.	L/Sto	166780
Hingston, E.	AB	188867	Penrose, S. ††	AB	155990
Hodges, C.	Sto	285616	Peters, W.B.	PO1	149351
Hudson, J.A.	Asst/Engr		Pope, W.W.	Q/Sig	162324
Hunt, C. <i>Dup</i>	AB	178431	Powell, E.	AB	187965
Hunt, G.	Sto	279247	Power, J. ††	Sto	281360
Hutchins, J.	Pte	Ply8232	Prynn, R.B.	AB	188054
James, F.	AB	162830	Quigley, G.	Sto	279394
Jane, W.J.	Ch/Sto	133106	Reed, J.	AB	194735
Jarvis, J.	Sto	353992	Riley, J.W.	Sig	191217
Jenkins, T.	Dom	357380	Roberts, E.	Sto	280703
Jones, W.C.	AB	159301	Robertson, R.	Sto	281728
Jordan, P. <i>Retd</i>	Sto	153172	Rolling, S.	L/Shpwrt	153883
Jordan, T.	Sto	281372	Rowbotham, W.	AB	159679
Kain, W.E.	L/Sto	129662	Rowe, F.	AB	198682
Keating, M. <i>Retd</i>	Sto	290786	Sahimi, E.	Seedie	
Keegan, R.	PO2	152203	Saldanha, I.C.	Dom	360554
King, J.H.	Ch/Wrtr	133448	Sammels, W.	Ch/Sto	118655
Kitto, W.J.	Gunner		Sarsfield, M.	AB	163777
Labbett, J.	L/Sto	278856	Savill, H.J.	Lieut	
Lewis, A.J.	AB	162888	Shea, M.	Sto	285689
Lewis, J.W.	PO1	134978	Sheperd, J.T.	Sto	278949
Light, A.	AB	188850	Shirley, R.A.	AB	188697
Littlejohns, W.T.	Sto	281396	Simmonds, A.E. <i>Retd</i>	Sto	285618
Lloyd, W.	AB	185052	Smith, G.W.	Q/Sig	160651
Longstreth, F.	AB	174802	Smith, H.	PO1	146571
Lower, C.E.	L/Carp/Crew	341459	Smith, J. <i>Retd</i>	AB	164757
Lukey, W.	L/S	138264	Spear, C.E.	AB	189162
Lyne, J.	AB	187308	Stanton, T.	AB	162418
Lynott, D. <i>Dup</i>	Sto	285692	Syred, A.	Pte	Ply8222
Mahomet.	Seedie		Tatlock, E.T.	AB	157038
Marriott, S.J.	Pte	Ply8227	<i>Dup issued but later returned.</i>		
McConnell, J.	Sto	285592	Toms, F.C.	AB	184566
McDermott, J.	Sto	283038	Toto.	Seedie	
McDonald, M.	Cpl	Ch9355	Tracey, A.	Sto	285195
McGrory, J.	Sto	281027	Tucker, P. ††	AB	180905
McKenna, P.H.	Sto	279314	Tutton, G.J.	Sto	285595
Melson, A.G.V.	AB	167759	Vines, A.W.	Pte	Ply6255
Mereweather, W.	Sto	170646	Walker, R.	AB	163294
Miller, J.S.	Pte	Ply8242	Watson, J.	Ch/Arm	118810
Nadin, C.	Pte	Ply8229	Wharton, J.J.	AB	157568
Napper, F.	Sto	280947	Williamson, J.E.	L/Sto	136417
Newcombe, S.	Sto	284757	Wonnacott, H.J.	PO1	159228
Newton, G.E.	AB	155070	Wood, W.A.	AB	188927
Norman, G.	Sergt	Ply3912	Wood, W.J. <i>Retd</i>	Blksmith	153270
			Woodley, R.	Sto	283312

H.M.S. SCOUT

Type: Torpedo Cruiser, later reclassified as Third Class Cruiser
 Displacement: 1,580 tons
 Dimensions: 220 x 34.25 x 14.5 feet
 Armament: 4-5in breech-loaders (rifled), 8-3pdr QF, 2-machine guns, 1-torpedo tube, 2-torpedo carriages. During the 1890s the vessel was rearmed when the 5in guns were replaced by 4.7in QF guns

The vessel was built by Thompson at Glasgow and launched on 30 July 1885. She was sold on 5 July 1904.

Total	Returned	Entitled
16	1	15

Adams, M.	Pte	Po9262
<i>Medal returned for correction.</i>		
Allen, J.W. <i>Retd</i>	L/S	172759
Bradford, R.	2/Yeo/Sig	166609
De Salis, W.	Comdr	
Godden, C.G.	Pte	Po5373
Gravestock, H.H.	Pte	Po9843
Hope, J.G. ††	Pte	Po9840
Horner, R.	Dom	354969
<i>Medal returned for correction.</i>		
Payne, W.	Sergt	Po6656
Savall, H.L.	Pte	Po9838
Shearer, H.W.	Pte	Po9811
Shorney, F.A.	Pte	Po9841
Thompson, W.	Pte	Po8469
Wadsworth, W.E.	L/Cpl	Po9430
Wicks, P.E.	Ord	197441
Young, J.	Dom	108882