

# On Her Majesty's Service

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WAI 0568

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+ 2/1 AND  
42/3 (MOUL)

IN PERIODICALS

STORE

ORIGINAL DISC  
IN DISPLAY  
CABINET.

DISC IN MUSEUM ON SHOW

EXPLOSION OF CORNING  
HOUSE WA/1 COPPER  
DISC /2 PLASTIC DUPLICATION  
/3 RUBBER MOULD  
/4 EXTRACT FROM WINTER  
CENTENARY MEMORIAL  
1887



NEWLAND  
SADD  
LUCK  
BROWN  
DUDLEY  
COLLE  
SE



COLL. NEWALD

ADD. P. O. R. ARON



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Sep. 4th.—Letter from Capt. Tulloch accounting for low range of powder, not being able to regulate heat of new steam stove.

Oct. 16th.—Statement showing receipts, expenditure, and profits of Corn Mill:—in 1833, profits, £364; 1834, £221; 1835, £789; 1836, £537; 1837, £602; 1838, £699; 1839, £829; 1840, £814; 1841, £945.

1842.

Feb. 3rd.—Report upon the insufficient protection afforded for the Factory.

1843.

EXPLOSION.—SEVEN MEN KILLED.

April 13th.—Explosion, Corning House and Press House. Seven lives lost, including Thomas Sadd, master worker. Quantity, about 40 barrels in the Corning House and 20 in Press House. T. Sadd, aged 47, 33 years service. John Newland, James Luck, John Dudley, James Essex, James Cole, and Samuel Brown. [We remember the awful circumstance well, and although but very young, we saw the scene of devastation and death only a few minutes after it occurred. Many years after the explosion we discovered a human skull in the first canal in Edmondsey, by the bridge near the Press House. It had been in the water a long time, and we buried it in our garden in Highbridge-street.]

June 2nd, 1843.—Mary Dudley and Elizabeth Luck received a donation of £2 each in their confinement, consequent upon the explosion.

June 10th, 1843.—William Adams, received £5 for his meritorious conduct on the occasion of the explosion on April 13th, 1843.

James Boswell prays to be allowed the under-mentioned sums for the bodies, and extinguishing the fire after the explosion;—6 men received 10s each, 27 received 5s. Total, £11 5s.

Mr. John Mullins Clark<sup>\*</sup> made a  
bronze medallion of the gunpowder  
explosion April 13<sup>th</sup> 1843.

\* Carpenter, Builder & Undertaker (?)  
High Bridge St.

A very rough cast representing portions  
of the bodies of the 7 men killed,  
scattered in the air above the flames.

The ~~list~~ names of the killed are  
given on the border with dates etc

W. Winkler  
"Our Parish Registers"  
c. 1885

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HANDLE WITH CARE

On Her Majesty's Service

FRAGILE

10/12/89

**ECONOMY**  
OPEN carefully.  
RE-USE with Economy Label

For M. McLaren esq.

Sent to me by Dave Sims about a month ago; he understood that the original had been lost or, at least, mislaid

DO NOT DROP

Ken Barwick

CODE No. 26-120.



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Medal commemorating the explosion of  
Corning House, 13 April 1843

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