

'Schoolies': Teachers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines 1700-1914 – Part II

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Part I of this article, giving a historical overview of the evolution of the ranks/rates and role of teachers of the navy and marines, was printed in the March 2011 issue of the *Journal*. This second part comprises the roll developed by the author of officially named medals to 'schoolies'.

Royal Marines Meritorious Service Medal

Note: Archival records for this medal evidently span only the period 1849-84, as no additional records were uncovered by Captain Douglas-Morris (Douglas-Morris, 1982).

1) BUTE, James Adolphus – Sergeant Schoolmaster, Woolwich Division

Known and dated '8th Dec. 1852' (Woolwich). Paired with LS&GC (WS/ Sgt, 76 Coy., Woolwich/ 32 Yrs./ awarded January 1861 without gratuity). By 1880, the pair was in the Col Eaton Collection (later Lord Cheylesmore), and was sold at Glendining's in the 1930s. The medals to George H. Bute (James's son) were sold in the same auction, having apparently remained with his father's medals for many decades. George earned the Arctic and Baltic Medals (Cpl and Sgt/*Phoenix and Resolute* and Sgt/*Nile* respectively) during his 20 years of service in the corps of sea soldiers.

Born in 1800 in St James's parish, Aberdeen, James enlisted in the Royal Marines in London on 7 July 1820. His service included the well known voyage of the *Beagle* (1831-35), after which he became a corporal in 1836 (for the third time), and sergeant the following year. Bute was discharged as sgt schoolmaster on 13 December 1852, and died on the island of Guernsey on 29 November 1877.

The duration of Bute's MSM annuity ran from 8 December 1852 until 29 November 1877; it began at £5 and was increased to £10 in September 1876. He received his LS&GC while a pensioned sergeant employed as a gatekeeper at Woolwich Hospital.

2) GILMOUR, D.G. – Schoolmaster, RMLI

Known. Sold as a single in 1968. Gilmour's annuity began on 4 August 1879.

3) MAXWELL, William – Sergeant Schoolmaster, Chatham Division

Known, dated '1848' type: SERG. W. MAXWELL, R.M. 16 JAN: 1849 [Chatham Div., 27 years]. Evidently the first marine schoolmaster to receive the MSM, 'Schoolmaster' does not appear on the medal's edge. Maxwell's annuity was £10 and began on 24 April 1849. He probably died between December 1850 and December 1852.

Naval Long Service and Good Conduct Medal

Note: This roll is complete for the Anchor type and wide suspender type (dated '1848'), but necessarily incomplete for the wide suspender (WS) and narrow suspender (NS) types. All type designations based on the pioneering work of Kenneth Douglas-Morris in *The Naval Long Service Medals 1830-1990*.

Douglas-Morris painstakingly created medal rolls for some types of 19th century Naval LS&GC Medals. However, for contemporary reasons, 'it is almost impossible to create a [Wide Suspender Type] roll which can be more than 75% complete'. Still, the current writer feels strongly that the very small number of medals to schoolies on Douglas-Morris's WS roll indicates there are probably only a handful unaccounted for.

Douglas-Morris wrote: 'It was only at the beginning of the 20th Century that the Admiralty began to keep correlated records on the issue of Long Service and Good Conduct Medals to sailors and marines, and only recently have they been released for public appraisal.' Consequently, the 'roll' of schoolies' NS types only amounts to those I have spied through the years.

Additional NS LS&GCs appear under the campaign medals.

– Anchor type (1830-47)

1) HOCKERSTONE, Nathaniel – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Excellent*

Known. Though the medal is for 32 years of adult service, Hockerstone was ex-RMA (21 years) and afterwards served 27 years in the RN. His medal was approved/despached on 29 June 1847.

– Wide suspender type (dated '1848')

1) WOODROW, Frederick – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Volage*

Medal approved 6 December 1850; 28 years of adult service at time of award. Thought to be the final award of the '1848' type medal.

– Wide suspender type (1847-75)

1) CARTER, Robert H. – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Algiers*

Medal awarded on 9 December 1862; 22 years of adult service at time of award. In this year the rate changed from

'seamen's schoolmaster' to 'naval schoolmaster'.

2) CUMMINS, John – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Victory*

Medal awarded 27 December 1861; 24 years of adult service at time of award.

3) FOWELL, John – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Trafalgar*

Medal awarded 2 May 1866; 20 years of adult service at time of award. This was a full four years *after* the rate changed to naval schoolmaster.

4) OLIVER, Charles T. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Cambridge*

Known and engraved: C.T. OLIVER, NAVL. SCHOOLMR. H.M.S. CAMBRIDGE. 22 YRS. Awarded on 28 December 1870. Paired with an unnamed Baltic Medal while in the Douglas-Morris Collection, Oliver being entitled to the latter for service as an AB on *Vulture*. In the Douglas-Morris Sale (Part 2/lot 507) as a single LS&GC. This is the earliest known use of this rating on a medal traced thus far by the author.

– Narrow suspender type (Type E/1875-77)

1) STAINER, George Stephen – Naval Schoolmaster, *Topaze*

Known and engraved: G.S. STAINER. NL. SCHOOLMR. H.M.S. TOPAZE. The Stirling Lee Collection of Medals for Services at Sea (Part 2/ lot 268/ fitted with riband buckle). Stainer entered the RN as a naval schoolmaster 3rd class in April 1864. His LS&GC Medal was awarded in June 1875 and four years later he was advanced to head naval schoolmaster. His final appointment appears to have been at the RM depot at Walmer in the early 1890s and he disappears from *The Navy List* by April 1894.

2) WEBB, Frederick – Naval Schoolmaster, *Excellent*

Known and engraved: FK. WEBB. NAVL. SCHOOLMR. H.M.S. EXCELLENT. Webb served from 1856 to 1881. His trade on attestation was given as 'Schoolmaster'.

– Narrow suspender type (Types F-J/1877-1903)

1) GILBERT, William – Naval Schoolmaster, *Lion*

Known (Type GG/10 years) and impressed: WM. GILBERT. NL. SCHOOLMR. H.M.S. LION. Issued in February 1890. Douglas-Morris Sale (Part 2/lot 528, with four other Victorian LS&GCs), but Gilbert's was described as 'officially re-impressed'.

2) HAYNES, Ben – Naval Schoolmaster, *Lion*

Known (Type GG?) and impressed: BEN HAYNES. NL. SCHOOLMR. H.M.S. LION. (official correction to part of first name and surname). Ex-John Prior Collection.

3) HILL, Francis – Naval Schoolmaster, *Impregnable*

Known (type?) and impressed: FRANCIS HILL. NL. SCHOOLMR.

H.M.S. IMPREGNABLE.

4) VENN, William – Naval Schoolmaster, *Impregnable*

Known (Type F) and impressed: WM. VENN, N. SCHLMR., H.M.S. IMPREGNABLE.

Ex-John Prior Collection.

5) YATES, Richmond – Head Schoolmaster, *Boscawen*

Known (Type F) and impressed: RICHMD. YATES, HEAD SCHOOLMR., H.M.S. BOSCAWEN. (official correction to last letter of surname). Ex-John Prior Collection.

Naval General Service Medal 1793-1840 (NGS)

Note: Ranks per the Douglas-Morris and Message NGS Rolls.

1) GWYNNE, Lawrence – Schoolmaster, *Ramilles* ('1 JUNE 1794')

Known, retaining original riband, with the original impressed naming erased and contemporarily engraved: LIEUT. LAWRENCE GWYNNE, AGED 22 YEARS. Part of the original full stop evidently still remaining along the right side of the 'A' in 'YEARS', the original naming must have been quite lengthy. In 1794, though a schoolmaster was an inferior warrant officer, one wonders if the title was impressed on the edge? Gwynne undoubtedly felt his should reflect his rise to officer status. There is a Commander Lawrence Gwynne in *The Navy List* for June 1853, with seniority dated 7 March 1836.

The NGS is accompanied by a very large leather bound volume with gilt motifs, having its title page elegantly calligraphed: *The ELEMENTS OF NAVIGATION belonging to Lieutenant Lawrence Gwynne. R.N. Master of the Royal MATHEMATICAL SCHOOL Christ's Hospital. Performed by Charles Boddam Stockdale Aged 16 Years. 1804.*

2) MCKERLIE, John – Qtr. Gunner, *Indefatigable*

('INDEFATIGABLE 20 APRIL 1796'); Schoolmaster, *Indefatigable* ('INDEFATIGABLE 13 JAN. 1797'); Lieutenant, *Spartiate* ('TRAFALGAR')

3) CHRISTY, William – Schoolmaster, *Excellent* ('ST. VINCENT')

4) EVEREST, John – Schoolmaster, *Ardent* ('CAMPERDOWN')

As 'Everrest' in some sources.

5) CHRISTIE, James – Schoolmaster, *Defence* ('TRAFALGAR')

6) OLDMIXON, William H. – Schoolmaster,

Revolutionnaire ('ST. SEBASTIAN')

Lieutenant, RN, in 1815.

7) HAMILTON, William – Schoolmaster, *Granicus* ('ALGIERS')

Known: WILLIAM HAMILTON. (without rank). Douglas-Morris Collection, Royal Naval Museum. In group with *Crimea/Sebastopol* (engraved/Purser), *Turkish Crimea* and *Order of Medjidie* (5th Cl.).

8) RUMKER, Charles – Schoolmaster, *Albion* ('ALGIERS')

Known: CHARLES RUMKER. (without rank). The suspender is fused to the claw, so the medal no longer swivels. Ex-John Prior Collection.



The Naval General Service Medal, clasp 'ALGIERS', to Charles Rumker

Born in Burg Stargard, Germany, on 28 May 1788, as Karl Ludwig Christian Rümker, his mathematics abilities led him to attain a degree as a master builder. However, he moved to England in 1809, and became a midshipman in the HEIC Navy, afterwards working in German merchant shipping. Rumker joined the RN in 1813 as schoolmaster in *Benbow*, and subsequently served in the *Montagu* with Peter Heywood (formerly of the *Bounty*). Serving in *Albion* at Algiers, where he was rated a 4th class petty officer, Rumker painted a view of the City of Algiers and presented it to Exmouth (now in the NMM). Next stationed on Malta, he devoted much time to astronomy. Leaving the RN in 1819, Rumker returned to Germany as Director of Hamburg Institute of Navigation, but went back to England in 1821 – as a result of Peter Heywood's recommendation – in order to take up a job in Australia under the new Governor of NSW, Sir Thomas Brisbane (a keen astronomer, who built an observatory at Paramatta,

NSW). In 1822, he rediscovered Encke's Comet (silver medal, Royal Astronomical Society and gold medal, *Institut de France*). In 1823, left Brisbane's employ and lived on his farm at Paramatta, where he continued his observations. Brisbane was recalled to England, and Rumker went back to the observatory in 1826. Discovered some more comets, and was appointed Government Astronomer in 1827. Dismissed from British service in 1830, Rumker became Director of the School of Navigation in Hamburg, and was appointed Director of the Hamburg Observatory in 1833. He died in Lisbon, Portugal, on 21 December 1862, having published many reports and books.



Bas-relief of Charles Rumker in Hamburg Town Hall (courtesy of Staatliche Landesbildstelle, Hamburg)

9) DELLAMORE, John – Acting Schoolmaster, *Talbot* ('NAVARINO')

Severely wounded (*London Gazette* (LG) 1827, p 2325).

10) GILLIES, James – Volunteer 2nd Class, *Asia* ('NAVARINO'); Schoolmaster, *Edinburgh* ('SYRIA')11) MALLARD, Edward – Schoolmaster, *Albion* ('NAVARINO')

Known: EDWD. MALLARD. (without rank). Douglas-Morris Collection, Royal Naval Museum. In *Naval Medals 1793-1856* (p 172), Mallard is shown as a 'School Master'. Mallard was born in Modbury, Devon, and when he was 49 years old he joined *Albion* by a warrant dated 11 July 1825.

12) ARNOLD, George P. – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Cambridge* ('SYRIA')13) BAKER, Thomas Turner – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Powerful* ('SYRIA')

There is another Thomas Baker for Syria, and the medals may be identically named.

14) BARNES, Edgar Broughton – Naval Instructor, *Talbot* ('SYRIA')

Known: E.B. BARNES, NAVAL INSTRUCTOR. Douglas-Morris Collection, Royal Naval Museum. Naval instructor 22

October 1839 and chaplain 1 January 1850.

15) BRIDGMAN, Arthur Alexander – Naval Instructor, *Thunderer* ('SYRIA')

Known: A.A. BRIDGMAN, NAVAL INSTR. Naval instructor 20 February 1840. BA. A graduate of Cambridge University. In 1852, the now Rev Bridgman became the vicar of Padgate, Warrington, Cheshire. He established an elementary school, which was yearly inspected by HM's Inspector of Schools, and was still the vicar in 1878.

16) DITTMAN, Gustavus – Naval Instructor, *Rodney* ('SYRIA')

Also a mathematics instructor; naval instructor 22 December 1836.

17) EASTMAN, Thomas – Schoolmaster, *Asia* ('SYRIA')

Known: According to O'Byrne, Eastman entered the navy as a naval instructor on 22 December 1836 – the very day the title of 'Naval Instructor and Schoolmaster' was created and made a full warrant rank. Evidently, the old title of 'Schoolmaster' found its way next to his name on the medal roll, thus his warrant rank does not appear on the medal.

In 1851 he founded, on the Eastern Parade at Southsea, an establishment for the purpose of preparing young gentlemen for the naval and marine services. By the time of Eastman's death on 1 July 1860, it was said that more than 500 students had passed through the institution. His widow afterwards conducted the school.

18) GOWAN/GOWANS, John – Naval Instructor, *Hastings* ('SYRIA')

Naval instructor 10 January 1838 and seniority 1 October 1838.

19) HODGSON, Joseph Lowther – Naval Instructor, *Vanguard* ('SYRIA')

Known: J.L. HODGSON. (without rank). When sold at Glendining's (22 October 1970, lot 201), paired with a St Jean d'Acre (silver/unnamed). Hodgson became a naval instructor 19 August 1840 (BA, 1840; MA, 1844), and served in *Vanguard* until August 1843, thereafter joining *St Vincent* from September-November 1843. He then left the navy and embarked on a religious career until he died 29 March 1861, aged 42 years.

20) JENKINS, Rev John – Chaplain [& Naval Instructor], *Benbow* ('SYRIA')

Chaplain 29 June 1835 and naval instructor 16 August 1839. Also entitled to South Africa 1834-53 (Chaplain/*Castor*).

21) KERR, William – Naval Instructor, *Powerful* ('SYRIA')

Naval instructor 14 March 1839. Original seniority of 22 December 1836 later amended to 22 December 1840. Records show 'for Court Martial 22 Decr. 1849. AO

[Admiralty Order] 1 Aug. 49. 2960'. Served in the *Victory* up until 24 April 1855, but thereafter records state: 'see Chaplain & Nl. Instr. Service Register 1/26 AO 25 April 55: 2450 D *Victory* and whose four years rank and time for sentence Court Martial'.

22) MacMICHAEL/McMICHAEL, John Fisher – Naval Instructor, *Pique* ('SYRIA')

Naval instructor 13 October 1838. BA.

23) MORISON/MORRISON, R.F.E. – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Rodney* ('SYRIA')

A St Jean D'Acre Medal (silver issue) is known, with a ring attached to a watch fob and silver straight-bar suspension, ribbon buckle and pin brooch, and engraved: R.F.E. MORISON. R.N. Ex-John Prior Collection.

24) ROBINSON, John – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Benbow* ('SYRIA')

25) WILSON, Rev Roland – Chaplain [& Naval Instructor], *Edinburgh* ('SYRIA')

Known: ROWLAND WILSON, CHAPLAIN. During his 32 years of RN service, his first name was always spelled 'ROLAND', but the clerk entered it incorrectly on the official NGS roll, and consequently the error appeared on the medal. Entered the RN as chaplain 14 February 1834 and naval instructor 1 November 1837. On 3 April 1852, Wilson was appointed Chaplain of Sheerness Dockyard, a position he held until he was placed on the retired list on 27 May 1870. He died in 1877. From March 1851 onward, Wilson is shown in *The Navy Lists* as holding a BA.

Army of India Medal 1799-1826 (clasp 'AVA')

1) STRUTT, H.J. – Schoolmaster, *Boadicea* (short-hyphen type/Royal Mint impressed issue)

Known: H.J. STRUTT, SCHOOLMASTER. A unique naval title for an Army of India Medal; Debenham Storr & Sons 1901, Christie's 1982 and DNW 2005. The campaign ended in February 1826 and Strutt was an acting schoolmaster until June of that year, when he was discharged on promotion. Strutt's naming reflects the next rung up the promotional ladder.

China Medal 1840-42

1) BURROUGH, Rev Reginald I. – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Cornwallis*

Signed for by 'Clara Burrow, 18 Grovelad Road, St. John's Hgt.[?]' *The Navy List* shows a Joseph Ashton Burrough, BA (chaplain 1 November 1840 and naval instructor 20 March 1841) serving in *Cornwallis* 26 April 1841, and is presumed to be the same person.

2) KEMP, Henry – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Cornwallis*

No despatch details.

3) LANE, Alfred Will – Naval Instructor, *Melville*
Signed for by 'AW Lane 19/11/46'. Naval instructor 1
September 1837. MA.

4) MAGNESS, Richard – Seaman's Schoolmaster,
Wellesley
No despatch details.

5) ORAM, Richard – Naval Instructor, *Blonde*
Signed for by 'Richd. Oram. 10/11/46'. Naval instructor
20 December 1839.

6) RAIMBACH, Michael Thomas Scott – Naval
Instructor, *Wellesley*
Signed for by 'J.E. Raimbach to mother 2/10/46'. Seniority
13 July 1837. MA.

South Africa Medal 1834-53

1) JENKINS, Rev John – Chaplain [& Naval
Instructor], *Castor*
No despatch details.
Also entitled to NGS/Syria (Chaplain [& Naval Instructor]/
Benbow). DD, 1 December 1860.

India Medal 1849-95

1) FISHER, Henry – Seaman's Schoolmaster,
Winchester ('PEGU')
'Sent to Winchester 30/4/57'

2) ONSLOW, Rev William Lake – Chaplain and
Naval Instructor, *Hastings* ('PEGU')
Known. Ex-Douglas-Morris Collection, where it was paired
with an unnamed Baltic (Chaplain & Naval Instructor/ *Duke*
of Wellington); pair not offered at either Douglas-Morris
sale. Chaplain 5 January 1846 and naval instructor 1 April
1846. Onslow retired from the navy around 1871 and
became rector at Sandringham and also became chaplain
to HRH the Prince of Wales; he passed away still holding
these positions. MA.

3) BOUTFLOWER, Rev Douglas John – Chaplain
and Naval Instructor, *Charybdis* ('PERAK')
Known: REV. D.J. BOUTFLOWER, MA. CHAPN. & NL. INSTR.
H.M.S. "CHARYBDIS".

Sent to the *Turquoise* 12 October 81. Paired with a
Baltic (unnamed/ Chaplain & Naval Instructor/ *Cossack*),
and had he been alive in 1899, he would have claimed
a Canada General Service 1866-70/ 'FENIAN RAID 1866'
(Chaplain & Naval Instructor/ *Wolverine*). Chaplain & naval
instructor 25 September 1854, with seniority on this date;
retired in 1881 and died the following year. MA.

4) HILLARY, C.H. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Charybdis*
('PERAK')
'Sent 8 Sept. 1881.'

5) WILLIAMS, James – Naval Schoolmaster,
Modeste ('PERAK')
'Sent to "Penelope" 11 Jan'y '81'.

Crimea Medal 1854-55

Note: See comments on medals to HMS *Albion* under
the '350 Rule'.

1) DUNNING, James – Seaman's Schoolmaster,
London ('SEBASTOPOL')
Known. Sebastopol and Turkish Crimea delivered on board.

2) MAYS, William T. – Seaman's Schoolmaster,
Rodney ('SEBASTOPOL')
Mays did not serve with the Naval Brigade.

3) NEEDHAM, Frederick Hotham – Naval Instructor,
Albion (no clasp)
'Delivd on board 30/12/55'. Naval instructor 13 November
1841.

4) SHAW, W.E. – Naval Instructor, *London*
('SEBASTOPOL')
Sebastopol and Turkish Crimea delivered to Woodhead 11
February 1856.

5) WATSON, John – Seaman's Schoolmaster, *Albion*
(no clasp)
'Delivd on board 30/12/55'.

Indian Mutiny Medal 1857-58

1) HOYTON, Charles Thomas – Seaman's
Schoolmaster, *Shannon* ('LUCKNOW')
Known: CHAS. T. HOYTON, SEAMAN'S SCHOOLMR. SHANNON.
Douglas-Morris Sale (Part 1/lot 175). Born in May 1827,
at Rochester, Kent, Hoyton first stepped into his role as a
naval schoolie when he joined *Leander* on 4 October 1849
(Crimea/ Sebastopol/ Seamen's Schoolmaster/ *Leander*).
He afterwards joined *Shannon* on 23 May 1856, and was
paid off to shore in January 1859 at the end of the ship's
commission.

2) WILLIAMS, Rev Edward Adams – Chaplain [&
Naval Instructor], *Pearl*
Known: REV. EDWD. A. WILLIAMS, CHAPLAIN. PEARL. Douglas-
Morris Sale (Part 1/lot 175). In group with unnamed Baltic,
Jubilee 1887 (silver/clasp '1897'), Coronation 1902 (silver),
Coronation 1911. Williams joined the RN on 3 March
1854 and was appointed chaplain of *St George*, serving
in the Baltic campaign. He also qualified for the rank of
naval instructor on 25 April 1855, and the following month
was appointed chaplain & naval instructor in *Hawke*,
again serving in the Baltic. His next ship was the *Pearl*,
which he joined as chaplain on 3 May 1856, serving with
Pearl's naval brigade during its entire time ashore. Though
Williams is not specifically noted in Douglas-Morris's

research as functioning as a naval instructor in *Pearl*, this would have been the usual arrangement by this time. See also Chaplain Roland Wilson (NGS/Syria). MA.



The Rev E.A. Williams, MA, RN (1826-1913), chaplain and naval instructor; published in *The Cruise of the Pearl Round the World; With an Account of the Operations of the Naval Brigade in India* (1859) (private collection, <http://home.wxs.nl/~pdavis/Album.htm>)

Canada General Service Medal 1866-70

- 1) BERTHOELE, T. – Acting Schoolmaster, *Pylades* ('FENIAN RAID 1866')
- 2) EVANS, J. – Schoolmaster, *Aurora* ('FENIAN RAID 1866')

Abyssinia Medal 1867-68

- 1) SEYMOUR, John – Schoolmaster, *Octavia* 'ML N° 87 1 Decr 70'.

Ashantee Medal 1873-74

- 1) MEE, John – Naval Schoolmaster, *Active* (no clasp) 'Mis. List N° 82 D.D. 7.2.81'
- 2) NEALE, Rev Richard Lee – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Amethyst* (no clasp) Chaplain & naval instructor 4 August 1865. BA, MA.
- 3) PARTRIDGE, John – Naval Schoolmaster, *Amethyst* (no clasp)
- 4) PASK, James Morton – Naval Instructor, *Druid*

(no clasp)

Known: J.M. PASK, B.A., NAVL. INSTR., R.N., H.M.S. DRUID, 73-74. His only medal, it was 'Sent 14 May 75'. James Pask (1848-1930) was born in Thundersley, Essex, the son of James and Ellen Pask (née Levy, alias Villiers). Pask was appointed naval instructor on 28 March 1872, joining *Druid* the same day.

The British Museum received two skulls from Pask in 1874, which he had brought back from the Ashantee War, along with the following letter:

Dear Sir,

I send you two skulls. They were taken by King Hama-dikky (King of Dixcove) after the bombardment of Aquidah by HMS *Druid*, and the attack on the town by the Dixcove river in the last war. I received them on the evening after the battle from his majesty through the commandant. They are cut in the manner you will observe in all probability to serve as drinking cups. The men of Aquidah are of the Ahanta tribe.

I am your obedient servant
James Morton Pask R.N.

Between 1875 and 1899, Pask served in the following ships: *Britannia*, *Immortalité*, *Temeraire*, *Neptune*, *President*, *Northumberland*, *Royal Sovereign*, *Britannia* (second time), *Prince George*. The last was the final entry in *The Navy List* and Pask retired from the RN on 30 March 1900, after 30 years of service. He died on 27 January 1930 in a nursing home in Richmond, Surrey, at the age of 81, and was buried on 31 January 1930 in Wimborne Road Cemetery, Bournemouth, Hampshire.

- 5) WOLLAND, Samuel P. – Naval Schoolmaster 3rd Class, *Rattlesnake* (no clasp) 'Mis. List N° 135'. Most unusual to find a naval schoolmaster's class noted on a roll. One wonders if it also appears on the medal's edge?

South Africa Medal 1877-79

- 1) GIBSON, Jonathan – Naval Schoolmaster, *Active* (no clasp) "'St Vincent" 14 Sept '81'.
- 2) FELTON, C. – Schoolmaster, *Boadicea* (no clasp) 'Druid 14 August '82'
- 3) NICOLAS, Rev Alexander – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Boadicea* (no clasp) 'Dido 9 Decr 1882'. Chaplain 25 June 1872 and naval instructor 28 June 1878. BA.
- 4) QUICK, Walter Jonathan – Schoolmaster, *Boadicea* (no clasp) Known: W.J. QUICK, SCHOOLR. H.M.S. "BOADICEA". Douglas-Morris Sale (Part 1/lot 264). Paired with his LS&GC (NS/

impressed: WALTER JNO. QUICK, NAVAL SCHOOMR. H.M.S. BOSCAWEN). Quick's South Africa Medal was sent to *Thalia* on 26 May 1882, but during this time period, Douglas-Morris's research shows Quick to have been aboard *Boscawen* (perhaps he was aboard *Thalia* for passage only). Born in 1854, Quick first entered *St Vincent* as a boy 2nd class in 1869. On New Year's Day 1871, he was advanced to boy 1st class and made a pupil teacher in the same vessel. By the time Quick was pensioned in February 1910, he had achieved the warrant rank of head schoolmaster, having spent 39 years in uniform.

5) SANDERCOMBE, James – Naval Schoolmaster, *Shah* (no clasp)
'St Vincent 14 Sept. '81'

Egypt and Sudan Medal 1882-89

1) BERRY, Rev John Harcourt – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Superb* (dated/ 'ALEXANDRIA 11TH JULY')
Chaplain 25 March 1876 and naval instructor 13 November 1876. MA.

2) BINMORE, Henry Colmer – Naval Instructor, *Achilles* (dated/no clasp)
Naval instructor 27 April 1871.

3) BLUNN, Rev James Henry – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Carysfort* (dated/no clasp).
Chaplain 8 January 1877 and naval instructor 17 April 1869.

4) BRADFORD, T.H. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Ruby* (dated/no clasp)

5) BUDDS, Rev John Booth – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Monarch* (dated/no clasp).
Chaplain and naval instructor 28 October 1871. BA.

6) CLARK, James R. – Naval Instructor, *Inconstant* (dated/no clasp). MA.

7) COX-EDWARDS, Rev John Cox – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Alexandra* (dated/ 'ALEXANDRIA 11TH JULY')

Chaplain and naval instructor 1 September 1871. Later became the Chaplain of the Fleet and Inspector of Naval Schools. MA.

8) DOUGHERTY, Rev John Anderson – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Carysfort* (dated/no clasp)
Naval instructor 6 August 1872 and chaplain 5 January 1880.

9) EASTHER, William Luscombe – Naval Instructor, *Euryalus* (dated/no clasp)
Naval instructor 7 December 1881. BA.

10) EVANS, W.J. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Agincourt* (dated/no clasp)

11) FLETCHER, Fdk. J. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Invincible* (dated/no clasp)

12) FRY, Samuel – Naval Schoolmaster & Paymaster, *Tourmaline* (dated/no clasp)

13) HEALEY, William Lloyd – Naval Instructor, *Agincourt* (dated/no clasp)
Naval instructor 28 March 1872.

14) HOLLAND, George T. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Northumberland* (dated/no clasp)
Known: G. T. HOLLAND, NAV: SCHMR. H.M.S. "NORTHUMBERLAND". Ex-John Prior Collection.

15) HUTCHINGS, Samuel Snell – Naval Schoolmaster, *Briton* (undated/no clasp)
Known: S.S. HUTCHINGS. NL. SCHOOLMR. H.M.S. BRITON.



The medals of Headmaster Samuel S. Hutchings, RN (courtesy William Pickering)

Paired with his LS&GC (NS/ Type GG/ 11 years/ impressed: S.S. HUTCHINGS. NL. SCHOOLMR. H.M.S. IMPREGNABLE), issued in September 1889. Pair in Douglas-Morris Sale (Part 2/lot 152). Hutchings served in *Briton* during operations in the Eastern Sudan at Suakin, 1884 and 1885. Certificates: Admiralty and Education Departments – 1st class; Science and Art Department – drawing, navigation, nautical astronomy, acoustics, light and heat, and physiography. He was also entitled to the British War Medal, and his son (Frederick Snell) was wounded while serving with the AIF during the First World War.



Naming details on Headmaster Hutchings's Naval LS&GC Medal

16) LADE, T. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Carysfort* (dated/no clasp)

DD. Medal sent to widow.

17) LODGE, Rev Nisbett Baggallay – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Eclipse* (dated/no clasp)

Chaplain 2 April 1878 and naval instructor 16 October 1872. BA.

18) MAY, James – Naval Schoolmaster, *Orion* (dated/ no clasp)

Known in group with his LS&GC (NS/ Type GG/ impressed/ *Warrior*), issued 26 February 1881, and Khedive's Star (1884, wrong date issue). Born at Landport, Hampshire on 12 February 1853. Trade on entry to RN in 1868 was cabinet maker. Rated as boy 2nd class, boy 1st class, naval schoolmaster (1 January 1872) and head schoolmaster (21 April 1886). Served in *Implacable*, *St Vincent*, *Duke of Wellington*, *Sultan*, *Warrior*, *Hercules*, *Boscawen*, *Orion* and *Ganges*. Discharged 1904, after more than 36 years of service.

19) McCARTHY, James – Naval Instructor, *Temeraire* (dated/ 'ALEXANDRIA 11TH JULY')

Known and paired with a Khedive's Star 1882. Naval instructor 29 May 1882. In 1910, McCarthy was on the naval instructors' retired list as a deputy inspector of naval schools. Died 3 March 1927.

20) PAYTON, Rev James – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Tourmaline* (dated/no clasp)

Naval instructor 12 April 1866 and chaplain 26 May 1873. Later served at Haslar Royal Naval Hospital. BA.

21) RABBETS, F.W. – Naval Schoolmaster, *Alexandra* (dated/ 'ALEXANDRIA 11TH JULY')

22) SILVER, William – Naval Instructor, *Minotaur* (dated/no clasp)

Naval instructor 15 June 1865.

23) SPRAGGS, Henry Charles – Naval Schoolmaster, *Achilles* (dated/no clasp)

Known: H.C. SPRAGGS. NAVL. SCHOOLMR., H.M.S. "ACHILLES". Paired with his LS&GC (NS/ impressed/ H.C. SPRAGGS. NL. SCHOOLMR., H.M.S. LION) and Khedive's Star 1882. Spraggs was born at Kilnamanagh, County Cork, 22 September 1856. He entered the RN as a boy 2nd class on 2 February 1872, and was appointed a naval schoolmaster six years later. Advanced to head schoolmaster, 23 April 1886, and chief schoolmaster on 19 November 1908. Spraggs was pensioned ashore with the equivalent rank of lieutenant (retired), 11 November 1911. He was admitted to a Greenwich Hospital pension in May 1924, and died on 20 November 1931, aged 75 years, at Saltash, Cornwall. LS&GC awarded 9 October 1884.

Also extant is a small silver presentation cup, engraved: 'Mr H C Spraggs, Chief Schoolmaster HMS Defence 1886-1911'.

24) TIMS, Edward Maile – Naval Instructor, *Sultan* (dated/ 'ALEXANDRIA 11TH JULY')

Naval instructor 9 December 1872. BA.



The Rev F.L. Warleigh, BA, RN (1847-1900), chaplain and naval instructor (courtesy Dix Noonan Webb)

25) WARLEIGH, Rev Frederic Leighton – Chaplain, *Northumberland* (dated/no clasp)

Known: REVD. F.L. WARLEIGH, B.A. CHAP. R.N. H.M.S. "NORTHUMBERLAND". Douglas-Morris Sale (Part 2/lot 99). Warleigh entered the RN as a chaplain on 5 February 1873, and joined the Naval College in 1875, where he qualified as a naval instructor with seniority on 21 June 1876. Died while on active service in 1900. BA.

East and West Africa Medal 1887-1900

1) FYFFE, Rev Ebenezer Thomas – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Forte* ('BENIN RIVER 1897')
Chaplain 6 December 1876 and naval instructor 13 September 1877. BA.

2) MOORE, Rev Hugh Keys – Chaplain [& Naval Instructor], *Theseus* ('BENIN RIVER 1897')
Chaplain 12 February 1887 and naval instructor 6 December 1887. BA.

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899-1902

1) CULL, Rev Ernest George – Chaplain [& Naval Instructor], *Powerful* (no clasp)
Chaplain 25 April 1892 and naval instructor 19 December 1892. MA.

2) HARTLEY, Rev Francis Clement – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Gibraltar* (no clasp)
Known. Deacon, Durham, 1885; priest, Bath & Wells, 1886; curate of Crewkerne, Somerset, 1885-87, Biggleswade, Bedfordshire, 1887-90, St Michael & All Angels, Paddington, 1890-93; *Orlando*, 1894-98; *Diadem*, from 1898.

3) HARPER, Rev J.C. – Chaplain [& Naval Instructor], *Doris* (no clasp)
Naval instructor 17 June 1897.



Reverse of the Queen's South Africa Medal to Rev H.C. Hartley, chaplain and naval instructor, HMS Gibraltar (courtesy Nigel Wilson)

China Medal 1900

1) DALZELL, Rev Henry – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Hermione* (no clasp)
Chaplain 22 November 1897 and naval instructor 2 June 1898. MA.

2) FRANKLIN, Charles Stanley Pinckard – Naval Instructor, *Endymion* (no clasp)
Naval instructor 19 June 1899. BA.

3) JACKSON, Rev F.H. – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Dido* (no clasp)

4) JONES, Rev Percy Herbert – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Isis* (no clasp)
Chaplain 11 January 1896 and naval instructor 2 June 1896. MA.

5) KANE, Rev Thomas – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Bonaventure* (no clasp)
Chaplain 8 January 1894 and naval instructor 26 June 1894. BA.

6) MIDGLEY, Henry Wadsworth – Naval Instructor, *Barfleur* ('TAKU FORTS')
Naval instructor 16 February 1891. BA.

7) PRICE, Rev A.R. – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Aurora* (no clasp)

8) SALISBURY, Rev Charles Henry – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Undaunted* (no clasp)
Chaplain 5 January 1897 and naval instructor 8 April 1897. MA.

9) SMITH, Rev Ernest Frederick Harrison – Chaplain & Naval Instructor, *Centurion* ('RELIEF OF PEKIN')
Chaplain 30 September 1892 and naval instructor 6 March 1893. MA.

10) TUCK, Oswald T. – Naval Instructor, *Goliath* (no clasp)

Born in 1876, Tuck was educated at the Greenwich Hospital School, and began his career at the Royal Observatory in Greenwich (1892-96), entering the RN in 1896 to teach astronomy and navigation aboard the training ship *Conway* on the River Mersey. He was appointed a naval instructor on 19 June 1899.

After becoming proficient in Japanese, he became an interpreter and was authorised to teach the language to fellow naval officers (1906-07) and from 1908-09 was assistant to the Naval Attaché in Tokyo. During the First World War, Tuck served in naval intelligence, and afterwards rose to become the head of the Historical Section of the Admiralty before retiring in 1937.

When war was declared against Japan, Tuck was

recalled by the Admiralty to teach intensive six-month courses in Japanese to students recruited to decrypt Japanese military cyphers at Bletchley Park during 1942-45. Tuck died on 26 February 1950. Tuck's Greenwich Hospital School Medal (1891) is known to exist among a collection of his papers and other items, held at the Churchill Archives Centre, Churchill College, Cambridge.

11) WHITE, John – Naval Instructor, *Orlando* (no clasp)
Naval instructor 28 July 1893. MA.

Africa General Service Medal 1902-56 (to 1910)

1) McKEW, Rev Robert – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Hyacinth* ('SOMALILAND 1902-04')
Chaplain 30 December 1902 and naval instructor 1 June 1903. BA, BD.

2) WRIGHT, Rev Benjamin – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Highflyer* ('SOMALILAND 1902-04')
Chaplain 5 June 1899 and naval instructor 20 November 1899. MA.

ADDENDUM: Examples of attributable or unofficially named medals

Crimea Medal 1854-56

1) ENNIS, George – Naval Instructor, *Sampson* ('SEBASTOPOL')
Ex-Douglas-Morris Collection, where it was paired with an unnamed Baltic Medal, but the pair was not offered in either Douglas-Morris Sale. Unknown if the rank is on the edge. Naval instructor 10 June 1848.

2) LAVERTY, John Nicholas – Naval Instructor,

Queen ('SEBASTOPOL')

Engraved in serified block capitals: J.N. LAVERTY, N.I. QUEEN., and with the dates '17th OCTOBER 54' and '8th SEPT 55' additionally engraved either side of the naming details (confirmed). In a group with a China Medal 1856-60/ no clasp (unnamed/ Naval Instructor/ *Raleigh*); Turkish Crimea Medal (Sardinian/ unnamed/ replacement scroll suspender).

John Nicholas Laverty received his first warrant commission as a naval instructor and schoolmaster on 11 September 1841. From that date he was aboard HMS *Warspite*, on the North America and West Indies Station. Serving aboard the *Queen* from 3 July 1852, he was still in her in January 1856. The captain's nephew was Laverty's student – Cadet/Midshipman Evelyn Wood. Laverty next served in the *Raleigh*, East Indies and China, from 5 September 1856, but died on 28 March 1857 of fever from exposure to the sun at Singapore and was buried at sea the following day. Laverty's obituary appeared in *The Navy List* (April 1857).

2) ROGERS, Rev Percy – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Firebrand* ('SEBASTOPOL')

Neatly engraved in serified capitals: PERCY ROGERS, CHAPLAIN, H.M.S. FIREBRAND. In group with a China 1856-60/ 'CANTON 1857' (unnamed/ Chaplain & Naval Instructor/ *Sanspareil*) and Turkish Crimea (Sardinian/ unnamed). Rogers was born at Stonehouse, Devon, in 1826 and educated at Falmouth School and Clare College, Cambridge. Naval instructor 18 October 1852 and chaplain 6 November 1852, Rogers served in *Firebrand* from January 1853 until April 1855. He was present on the *Firebrand*'s gig at the destruction of the forts at the Sulina mouth of the Danube (MiD?), and the first attack on the sea defences of Sebastopol. Rogers entered the *Sanspareil* in April 1855, paying off from that ship in February 1859. MiD for Canton (LG, 16 February 1858): 'Ashore for General Service with all divisions of the Bde.' His last



The medals to Chaplain and Naval Instructor the Rev Percy Rogers, RN
(courtesy Morton & Eden)

appointment before retirement from the RN was chaplain of Devonport dockyards from 1869-74. He died in Bath on 23 January 1910.

3) WHITMARSH, Rev William – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Agamemnon & Sanspareil* ('SEBASTOPOL') Engraved: REVD. W. WHITMARSH, H.M.S. SANS PAREIL AND AGAMEMNON. Sebastopol clasp is soldered on what appears to be an India Medal clasp, with a pin fitted on the reverse. Naval instructor 15 June 1841 and chaplain 20 August 1843. MA.

Baltic Medal 1854-55

1) BALLEINE, John James – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Edinburgh*
Paired with a China Medal 1856-60/ 'CANTON 1857' (*Tribune*), both unnamed and in original card boxes of issue; the China Medal box marked in ink 'Jno. Jas. Balleine'. Matching pair of miniatures. The China Medal roll states Balleine is entitled to the medal only, but the clasp appears as issued and is possibly a late claim. Entered the RN on 27 January 1849 as chaplain and naval instructor on board *Centaur*, in which he served five years on the West Coast of Africa and the south-east coast of America. Entered the *Tribune* on 30 June 1856, and to half pay on 9 August 1860. China Medal sent to *Boscawen* on 1 August 1862. MA.

2) CAMPBELL, Rev William Wolsley – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Dragon*
Engraved: REV. WILLIAM W. CAMPBELL, H.M.S. DRAGON. Claw buckle on riband. Naval instructor 15 June 1855 and chaplain 12 February 1856. MA.

3) INSKIP, Robert Mills – Chaplain and Naval Instructor, *Magicienne*
Finely engraved in serifed capitals and running script: R.M. INSKIP, CHAPLAIN & NAVAL INSTRUCTOR, "MAGICIENNE". Mills entered the RN as a naval instructor in December 1836, 'although over the prescribed age' and was appointed chaplain in June 1853. He eventually earned the Civil CB

for his services as chief naval instructor of the training ship *Britannia* (*LG*, 2 June 1869). He was placed on the retired list in July 1871 and died at Plymouth in December 1890.

Khedive's Sudan Medal 1896-1908

1) 152514 WILTON, Ernest – 3rd Writer & Acting Schoolmaster, *Melita* (no clasp)

An unusual example of a man appearing on a medal roll as an acting naval schoolmaster. By 1889, all naval schoolmasters were withdrawn from seagoing ships, so ships' captains used their discretionary powers to appoint men to such positions.

In January 1898, the Khedive's medals were delivered to *Melita* and *Scout* at Malta. They were issued unnamed to the crew of *Melita*, but most of those to *Scout* would appear to have been named by hand letter punch (at least two naming styles and size of punch are known), possibly executed on board.

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