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## **MEDAL: Edinburgh Gallantry and Long Service of the Association of Professional Fire Brigade Officers:**

### **District Officer C.T. Imrie**

The Citation reads:

On the occasion of a fire at 35 Candlemaker Row at 10.11pm on the 25th February 1919, several men of the Brigade displayed great coolness and courage in removing a number of inmates from the upper floors of the tenement situated above a large shop which was on the arrival of the Brigade well alight. At each of the windows of the four floors of the tenement were a number of tenants screaming and shouting for help and it was with considerable difficulty they were persuaded to wait until help could be sent to reach them. "The back of the shop opened onto the entry to the tenement at the foot of the common stair by a wooden door. This door had burned away by the time the Brigade arrived, and fire and smoke was blown from the front of the shop through this doorway into the common stair, completely cutting off the egress of the people in the tenement. Whilst the hoses were being got into operation, Supt. Methuen and Lieutenant Imrie, entered the stair, and ascending to the third and fourth floors, found several of the inmates overcome by the smoke, three of whom were unconscious and were carried out by Supt. Methuen in addition to five other persons. Lieut. Imrie carried out three person, two from the third and one from the fourth floor, two of whom were confined to bed suffering from influenza. During the period of these rescues which were carried out in a period of ten to fifteen minutes in a suffocating atmosphere whilst inmates were in a state of intense excitement. I consider the work performed by Supt. Methuen and Lieut. Imrie is deserving of high commendation." A.Pordage, Firemaster"Firemaster"

Medals presented by Asst. Divisional Officer C. Imrie



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Lieut. Imrie



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