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ROYAL MARINES (COURT-MARTIAL).

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Mr. THOMAS

asked the First Lord of the Admiralty whether he is aware that on 9th September a special battalion of the Royal Marines in Murmansk, after hard fighting for fifteen hours without food, were told by Major Stroover, Royal Field Artillery, to clear out, and, being left with no one in command, they marched to the base for food, and then, in consequence of this, fifty-three men have been sentenced to a term of imprisonment, in most cases of two years, which is being served in His Majesty's Naval Prison, Bodmin; and whether he will have full inquiry made into the matter in order to ascertain whether these men should have the remainder of their sentences quashed?

[§ Mr. LONG](#)

As I have stated in answer to previous questions on this subject, the sentences passed by military courts-martial on certain officers and men of the Royal Marine battalion serving in North Russia are now under review by the Board of Admiralty.