(b) obtained a Watchkeeping Certificate,(c) been recommended for promotion before retirement.

"(II.) Mates (E) on the Retired or Emergency List who were promoted under the normal Regulations to be eligible for promotion to the rank of Engineer Lieutenant as from the dates on which they would have been due normally for that advancement on the Active List (*i.e.*, on attaining between two and three years' seniority a. Mate (E), provided that, to be eligible for this promotion before attaining three years' seniority as Mate (E), Officers must have

(a) Served not less than two years as Mate (E) on the Active List,

(b) been recommended for promotion before retirement.

"(III.) Acting Engineer Lieutenants promoted to that rank from Mate (E) under the special War regulations laid down in King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, Appendix X., Part V., Section I., and placed on the Retired or Emergency List as Acting Engineer Lieutenants, to be eligible to be confirmed in the rank of Engineer Lieutenant, with their acting seniority, on completeing one year's seniority in the rank of Acting Engineer Lieutenant."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 10th day of August 1921.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 6th day of August 1921 (C.W. 10674/21), in the words following, viz. :--

(C.W. 10674/21), in the words following, viz. :---"Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions, or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman, or Marine therein, shall be paid in such manner, and subject to such restrictions, conditions, and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council :

"And whereas by His late Majesty's Order in Council bearing date the 28th March 1903, and subsequent Orders in Council, it is provided that certain Commissioned Warrant Officers, now styled Commissioned Officers from Warrant Rank, and Warrant Officers shall be eligible for promotion to the rank or corresponding rank, of Lieutenant as a reward for long and zealous service, and that these Officers should be granted the rank or corresponding rank of Lieutenant-Commander on attaining eight years' seniority in the rank or corresponding rank of Lieutenant:

"And whereas we are of opinion that similar advancement should be open to Commissioned Wardmasters and Warrant Wardmasters, and that the establishment of Commissioned Wardmasters authorised by Your Majesty's Order in Council bearing date the 7th September 1916, should be increased:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the arrangements shown in the annexed Schedule :

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence therein."

" SCHEDULE.

"Commissioned Wardmasters to be eligible for promotion to the relative rank of Lieutenant with the title of Wardmaster Lieutenant.

"Wardmaster Lieutenants on attaining eight years' seniority as such to have the relative rank of Lieutenant-Commander with the title of Wardmaster Lieutenant-Commander.

" Pay.

"Pay of Wardmaster Lieutenants and Wardmaster Lieutenant-Commanders to be on the scales authorised for Lieutenants and Lieutenant-Commanders promoted from Warrant Rank (Non-Mechanical Branch).

" Retired Pay, &c.

"Retired Pay, Widows' Pensions and Compassionate Allowances for children to be on the scales and payable under the conditions authorised for Lieutenants and Lieutenant-Commanders promoted from Warrant Rank.

" Numbers.

"The establishment of Officers of the Sick Berth Branch to be as follows :---

1 Wardmaster Lieutenant.

4 Commissioned Wardmasters.

15 Warrant Wardmasters.

"The above number of Commissioned Wardmasters to be temporary pending the operation of the rule under which deserving Warrant Officers are promoted to Commissioned Officer from Warrant Rank after ten years' service as Warrant Officer."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 10th day of August 1921.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

W HEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 8th day of August 1921 (N. 9293/21), in the words following, viz. :---