

of them thereafter. As regards Officers on the Staff of the Compass Department they have effect from the 1st April 1920, and apply to all Officers then serving as well as those subsequently appointed.

" 2. The posts to which these regulations apply are:—

(a) All posts on the Staff of the Inspection and Experimental Departments and all posts at the Admiralty connected with those Departments;

(b) The posts of Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of the R.N. Torpedo Factory at Greenock;

(c) The posts of Superintendent of Torpedo Experiments and First Technical Assistant to the said Superintendent at Stokes Bay;

(d) The post of Technical Assistant to the Director of Armament Supply for Duty as Ordnance Inspector of Depots and Factories; and

(e) All posts on the Staff of the Compass Department at the Admiralty.

" 3. Service in any of the aforesaid appointments before retirement from the R.N. or R.M. will count for increase of retired pay under the ordinary regulations from time to time in force for Officers on the active lists of the R.N. and R.M. and increased retired pay under these regulations will accrue only in respect of service rendered in any of the appointments after retirement from the R.N. and R.M.

" 4. The retired pay of all retired Officers of the R.N. and R.M. serving in any of these appointments will be suspended during such service and their service will count for increase of retired pay on the scales and subject to the conditions set forth hereunder, subject, however, to the proviso that an Officer of the R.M. who at the date of his retirement from the R.M. had earned retired pay in excess of the maximum at that date permissible in the case of a Lieutenant Commander, R.N., shall not count his further service for increase of retired pay.

" 5. All Officers in any of the appointments referred to in these regulations who have not previously been discharged to retired pay at their own request or for some other reason, will be liable to such discharge on attaining 60 years of age.

" 6. An Officer who is discharged to retired pay at his own request, or on completion of any period for which he may have been appointed or as unfit for further employment from any cause other than those specified in rule 7 may have the retired pay earned by his service before retirement from the R.N. or R.M. increased by one-sixtieth of the pay and allowances of the appointment held on discharge for each complete year of service after retirement in any of the appointments to which these regulations relate.

" 7. An Officer who is discharged to retired pay on account of age, or medical unfitness, or abolition of office, or reduction or re-organisation of establishment, may have the retired pay earned by his service before retirement from the R.N. or R.M. increased:—

(a) if with ten or more years' service after retirement in any post to which these regulations relate, by one-sixtieth of the pay and allowances of the appointment held on discharge for each complete year of service after retirement;

(b) if with less than ten years' service after retirement in any post to which these regulations relate, by one-fiftieth of the pay and allowances of the appointment held on discharge for each complete year of service after retirement, provided that the total addition shall not exceed ten-sixtieths of such pay and allowances.

" 8. For the purposes of rules 6 and 7 service on the retired list before the 1st February 1919, in any post to which these regulations relate may reckon for increase of retired pay in the case of any Officer who was then so serving.

" 9. Officers on the Active List of the R.M. who are appointed to any of the posts to which these regulations relate shall be seconded from the Corps of the R.M. until they reach the rank of Lieutenant Colonel then they will become supernumerary. They will be subject to the same rules as regards qualifications for promotion and retirement for age in any rank as other Officers of the R.M."

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 13th day of December 1921.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Mercantile Marine (Uniform) Order, 1918, His Majesty in Council was pleased to prescribe a uniform to be worn by the British Mercantile Marine:

And whereas by the British Mercantile Marine Uniform Act, 1919, provision was made for prohibiting the improper use of the British Mercantile Marine uniform:

And whereas the provisions of the said Act apply to the uniform prescribed by the Mercantile Marine (Uniform) Order, 1918, and any other or further uniform which may be prescribed by Order in Council in connection with the British Mercantile Marine:

And whereas it is expedient that the national standard uniform for the British Mercantile Marine should be such as is hereinafter prescribed:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

(1) The Uniform of the British Mercantile Marine shall be such as is set forth in the Schedule to this Order: Provided that where, on the 4th day of September 1918, the Masters and Officers of the Ships belonging to any Company or Firm were accustomed to use a cap with a distinctive badge, that badge may, if the Company or Firm so desire, be substituted, in the case of persons whilst serving on board, or employed on the business of, Ships belonging to that Company or Firm, for the cap badge prescribed in the said Schedule.