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FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1940.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 17th day of April 1940.

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 10th day of April 1940 (N.6277/40), 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 the Regulations for the government of Your Majesty's Naval Service provide for the enrolment of Motor Mechanics in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve but no such provision exists for their entry into the Royal Navy:

And whereas recruitment into the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve ceased on mobilisation and we have found it expedient to enter Motor Mechanics in the Royal Navy on engagements until the end of the period of the present emergency:
"And whereas we consider that such Motor

Mechanics who have attained the age of 21 shall receive the same rates of pay as those prescribed by Order in Council of 3rd November 1927 for corresponding ratings of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve when mobilised or under training and that, while under the the age of 21, they shall receive 5s. 7d. a day:
"We beg leave humbly to recommend that

Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the establishment of the titles and rates of pay set forth in the annexed schedule for ratings who have entered, or may enter, the Royal Navy as Motor Mechanics during the present emer-

gency. Lords Commissioners of Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in these proposals.

"Schedule

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Motor Mechanic (under 21)	5	7
Motor Mechanic (21 and over)	6	11
After 2 years' service as such	7	4
Acting Chief Motor Mechanic		
4th Class	8	0
Chief Motor Mechanic 4th Class	8	0
Chief Motor Mechanic 3rd Class	9	0
Chief Motor Mechanic 2nd Class	9	6
Chief Motor Mechanic 1st Class	10	0.'"

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial