

12. All other officers retired to receive Retired Pay according to the following scale, subject to the provisions contained in Clause 14 :—

Age.	Retired Pay.	Number of Years' Service.
	£	
60	600	40
59	585	39
58	570	38
57	555	37
56	540	36
55	525	35
54	510	34
53	495	33
52	475	32
51	450	31
50	425	30
49	400	29
48	375	28
47	350	27
46	325	26
45	300	25
44	275	24
43	250	23
42	225	22

13. A deduction to be made of 10*l.* for each year wanting to complete the periods of service specified in the above scale, except in the case of officers placed on half-pay in order to effect the reduction of the lists. These officers to be allowed to count such time on half-pay as full service for retirement.

14. The maximum retired pay for the following officers not to exceed the sums stated against each rank :

Colonel... ..	£	600
Lieutenant-Colonel		450
Paymaster } with brevet or hono- }		450
Barrack Master } rary rank		
Captain		300

15. Good service pensions to be six in number, and to be distributed amongst General Officers, whether on the active or retired list. These pensions to be of the value of 200*l.* a-year each, and to be held for life. The emoluments of the officers at present holding the appointment of Colonels of Divisions to be deemed to include Good Service Pensions.

16. A General Officer to receive the pay of Colonel Commandant.

17. A Colonel Commandant, either on attaining 60 years of age, or at the expiration of his command, to be placed on a reserved list with the pay of 600*l.* per annum ; and, while on that list, to be eligible for promotion to the fixed list of General Officers in his turn. If he attains the age of 65 without being so promoted, to be removed to the retired list.

18. An officer retired may, at his own request, and with our consent, compound his retired pay under the rules laid down by the Lords Commissioners of your Majesty's Treasury for Administering Act 32 and 33 Vict., cap. 32.

19. No pension, except a pension for wounds, can be compounded.

20. General Officers now on the List to be retired at 70 on retired pay, equal in amount to

their present emoluments, but not to receive a Good Service Pension in addition to their emoluments as Colonel of a Division.

21. Colonels Commandant now on the List whose command dates from on or before 27th July, 1867, to receive, when placed on the reserved list, the amount of their present pay.

22. Captains now on the List of 25 years' service not to be compulsorily retired until the age of 50 ; and Paymasters and Barrack-masters now holding such appointments not to be compulsorily retired until the age of 60.

All present rules and regulations, except in so far as they are altered or limited by these general or temporary provisions, shall be deemed to remain in force.

We beg leave to represent to your Majesty that the Lords Commissioners of your Majesty's Treasury have sanctioned the expenditure which may be incurred."

Her Majesty having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her 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.

Arthur Helps.

At the Court at Windsor, the 22nd day of February, 1870.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'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 19th of February, 1870, in the words following, viz. :—

"Whereas We have had under our consideration the Active Lists of Chief Warrant Officers, Warrant Officers, and Engineers of your Majesty's Fleet. We would humbly submit to your Majesty the following propositions, by means of which We should be enabled to carry out the measures We consider essential to the efficiency of your Majesty's Service, and in which We have duly respected the existing privileges of Officers.

We propose to your Majesty :

- a reduction of these Lists, and the establishment of fixed numbers for the future ;
- the abolition of the distinction between the Second and Third classes of Warrant Officers ;
- an extension of the system of compulsory retirement ;
- greater facilities for optional retirement ;
- an augmentation of the scale of retiring pensions ;
- an improvement of some of the existing rates of pay ; and the alteration of certain rules relating to service.

We beg leave further to recommend to your Majesty that, in consideration of the peculiar circumstances of their case, We be empowered to