day of October, 1909.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and nine, in the words following, viz.:-

- "Whereas by section three of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted inter alia that all pay, pensions and other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Forces 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 we have had under consideration the emoluments of Lieutenants of Your Majesty's Navy employed in the various departments of the Admiralty in London:
- "And whereas considerable differences exist in the total emoluments of these officers, who are paid under various regulations:
- "And whereas we are of opinion that neither the importance of the duties of these appointments, nor the professional qualifications of the officers selected for them vary to such an extent as to justify these differences:
- "We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the payment as from the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nine, of a uniform salary of £400 a year to the Lieutenants of Your Majesty's Navy employed in any of the departments of the Admiralty with the exception of (a) those employed in the Hydrographic Department, where the conditions are dissimilar; and (b) those promoted from Commissioned Warrant rank, who are serving under different regulations as regards pay and allowances; subject to the proviso that Lieutenants now in receipt of pay and allowances in excess of £400 a year shall continue to receive them until superseded.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in this proposal.

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 18th day of October, 1909.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the W Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the sixteenth day of September,

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 18th | one thousand nine hundred and nine, 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 Forces 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 Order in Council of Her late Majesty bearing date the nineteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninetynine, the service in Your Majesty's Fleet which Officers are allowed to count as "Service in a Ship of War at Sea" is defined as time served on board Your Majesty's ships commissioned for sea service:
- "And whereas we are of opinion that the conditions under which the trials of Your Majesty's ships prior to commissioning are now carried out render it desirable that time spent on such trials should be allowed to count as "Service in a Ship of War at Sea ":
- "We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the time during which Officers are engaged on the trials of Your Majesty's ships, from the date of arrival of the Navigating Party on board to the date of its departure, being counted as equivalent for all purposes to "Service in a Ship of War at Sea."

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in this proposal."

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 18th day of October, 1909.

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 thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and nine, in the words following, viz.:-

"Whereas by section three 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