

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 fourteenth 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 Royal 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 our consideration the pension to be awarded to Mr. Richard J. Butler, C.B., on his retirement from the position of Assistant Engineer-in-Chief of Your Majesty's Navy :

“And whereas it appears that under the existing Regulations he will be awarded a pension under the Civil Superannuation Acts in respect of his service at the Admiralty since 1875, but cannot receive any pension or Retired Pay in respect of his service as an Engineer Officer in the Royal Navy, which immediately preceded his service at the Admiralty :

“And whereas we are of opinion that this Officer's naval service should reckon for increase of civil pension :

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to authorize the service rendered by this Officer prior to his transfer to the Civil Service reckoning for pension on the scale of the Civil Superannuation Acts.

“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.*

*Foreign Office,*  
*October 25, 1909.*

His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received a telegram from His Majesty's Minister at Guatemala, stating that the Government of Honduras has denounced the Commercial Treaty between the United Kingdom and Honduras, of January 21st, 1887. The Treaty will accordingly terminate on October 6th, 1910.

*Scottish Office, Whitehall,*  
*28rd October, 1909.*

The following Regulations have been made by the Secretary for Scotland under the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Act, 1909 :—

In virtue of the powers conferred on me by the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Act, 1909, I, the Right Honourable John Baron

Pentland, His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland, hereby make the following regulations :—

1. In the discharge of their duties under section 3 of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Act, 1909, (hereinafter referred to as the Act) the Fishery Board for Scotland (hereinafter referred to as the Board) shall receive reports from the commander or officer in charge of any of His Majesty's Ships engaged in fishery superintendence or of a fishery cruiser or from any inspector of fisheries or fishery officer in the Board's employ (each of whom is hereinafter referred to as an officer).

2. Such a report shall be made by an officer when either by his own observation or as the result of investigation made by him into statements submitted by other persons he is satisfied on substantial evidence that a trawling or other vessel has been employed (a) in fishing by either of the methods known as beam trawling or otter trawling within a prohibited area as defined by subsection (1) of section five of the Act, or (b) in taking on board fish caught by either of the said methods within any such area.

3. Every such report shall be signed by the officer reporting and shall specify :—

(1) The names, residences and occupations of two or more witnesses (one of whom may be the officer reporting) who themselves observed such a vessel employed in fishing as aforesaid or in taking on board fish as aforesaid.

(2) The date and hour at which the observation was made, and the place, date and hour at which the witnesses' statements were made.

(3) The position or positions of the vessel and of the respective witnesses at or during the time when the observation was made (to be indicated where possible by latitude and longitude or by bearings or soundings).

(4) The conditions of sea and weather prevailing at the time.

(5) The observations taken as to the name, and where the vessel is lettered or numbered, the letters and number of the vessel or any other distinguishing marks or characteristics which would assist in identifying the vessel, including the means by which the particulars in this paragraph were observed and recorded.

(6) In the case of a vessel observed employed in fishing as aforesaid, the manner in which it was ascertained

(a) that the vessel was fishing by the method of beam or otter trawling ;

(b) that while so fishing she was situated within a prohibited area.

(7) In the case of a vessel observed employed in taking on board fish caught as aforesaid, the manner in which it was ascertained

(a) that the vessel was taking fish on board ;

(b) that such fish had been caught by the methods aforesaid and within a prohibited area.

(8) The nature of any communication passing at the time of observation between any of the witnesses and the persons on board the vessel implicated.

(9) Any other relevant particulars.

4. Before making a report an officer shall examine each witness separately with regard to each of the matters mentioned in Regulation 3.

If he is satisfied that a report to the Board is warranted, the officer, after preparing the same,