

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *June*, 1913.

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 20th day of May, 1913, 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 by the Regulations for the Royal Naval Reserve (Officers) established by Your Majesty's Order in Council bearing date the 4th day of March, 1911, it is provided that Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve shall rank with, but after, Officers of the Royal Navy and of the Royal Indian Marine of their corresponding rank.

“And whereas by the Regulations for the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve framed in pursuance of the Naval Forces Act, 1903, it is provided that Officers of that Reserve shall rank with, but after, Officers of the Royal Navy, Royal Indian Marine, and Royal Naval Reserve of their respective ranks.

“And whereas a step in relative rank is granted to Lieutenants of the Royal Navy on attaining eight years' seniority, and to Engineer Lieutenants of the Royal Navy on attaining eight years' seniority, if qualified and selected.

“And whereas we are of opinion that a similar step in relative rank should be granted to Lieutenants of the Royal Naval Reserve and the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve on attaining eight years' seniority, and to Senior Engineers of the Royal Naval Reserve.

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to authorize the grant of a step in relative rank to the above-mentioned Officers accordingly.

“Always provided that the grant of such step shall not entitle Lieutenants of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve to any increase of full pay while serving in the Fleet or under training.

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

“The Army Council and the Secretary of State for India in Council have also expressed their concurrence so far as Officers of the Army and the Royal Indian Marine respectively are affected.”

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.

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“And whereas by an Order in Council of His late Majesty, bearing date the 19th day of November, 1902, sanction was given to the establishment of a Royal Naval Auxiliary Sick Berth Reserve:

“And whereas we consider it desirable that a superior grade, to be known as ‘Reserve Wardmaster,’ should be instituted in the Reserve:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the establishment of this grade accordingly, under the regulations set forth in the annexed Schedule.

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

“SCHEDULE.

“1. The rating of ‘Reserve Wardmaster’ to be equivalent to that of a Chief Sick Berth Steward.

“2. While under training Reserve Wardmasters to receive pay at the rate of 3s. 6d. a day, up to a maximum of seven days' training annually.

“3. When called out Reserve Wardmasters to receive pay at the rate of 4s. 6d. a day for the first six months and 5s. a day afterwards, with extra pay at the rate of 1s. a day when employed in a ship of war in war time.

“4. In other respects Reserve Wardmasters to be subject to the existing regulations for members of the Royal Naval Auxiliary Sick Berth Reserve.”

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.

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