

Admiralty, dated the 10th day of June, 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, under Article 1926A, clause 2, of the Regulations for the Government of Your Majesty's Naval Service, Non-Continuous Service Men of the Royal Navy who are transferred to continuous service are allowed to count time for pension from the age of 18 if they have completed 10 years on the continuous service system :

"And whereas we consider it desirable that provision should be made for such men, if transferred to the Royal Marines, to be similarly allowed to count towards pension time served in the Royal Navy prior to the age of 20 :

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to authorise us to allow men transferred from the Royal Navy to the Royal Marines to reckon former service in non-continuous service ratings towards pension to the extent and under the same conditions as would have applied if they had become continuous service ratings in the Royal Navy.

"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.*

*Whitehall, June 17th, 1913.*

The following Addresses were presented to the King and Queen on the occasion of Their Majesties' visit to Eton, on Monday, the 16th instant :—

To Their Most Excellent Majesties the King and Queen.

*May it please Your Majesties.*

We, Your Majesties' humble and loyal subjects, the Provost, Fellows, and Masters of Your Royal College of Eton, beg leave to approach Your Majesties with the expression of our deep and grateful sense of your gracious condescension in honouring this Foundation with Your Royal presence, and to tender to Your Majesties a most respectful and cordial welcome on behalf of the College and School.

It is with heartfelt pleasure that we avail ourselves of this opportunity to offer our best wishes for Your Majesties' health and happiness, and we earnestly pray that, with God's blessing, Your Majesties' labours in your exalted office may continue to be fruitful in all that makes for the true greatness and welfare of a nation, may be encouraged by increasing proofs of general progress and contentment,

and may be lightened and cheered by the manifest affection and sincere devotion of a prosperous and grateful people.

16th June, 1913.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious answer :—

On behalf of the Queen and Myself I thank you heartily for your loyal Address, and for the sincerity of your good wishes.

The care and training of so many boys during the most impressionable years of their life are honourable and exacting duties which call for high abilities and rare qualities of sympathy and insight. The success of our public schools depends largely on the character and devotion of the masters, and I believe that Eton is specially fortunate in those to whose charge the education of the boys has been entrusted.

We are very glad to be present to-day to witness the continued progress of your College and School, and We pray for an increasing measure of success to this great foundation.

To Their Most Excellent Majesties the King and Queen.

*May it please Your Majesties.*

We, Your Majesties' humble and loyal subjects, the Scholars and Oppidans of Your Royal College of Eton, beg leave to approach Your Most Gracious Majesties with grateful thanks for the great kindness and condescension shown to us in Your Royal Presence with us this day.

Founded by Your Royal Predecessor, King Henry VI., whose memory is ever revered among us, nurtured under the shadow of the home of our Kings and fostered by their princely favour, the College and School have ever maintained the tradition of loyalty and devotion to the Throne.

We remember with gratitude Your Majesties' condescension in receiving from us an expression of loyalty and devotion on the occasion of Your Majesties' first visit to Windsor after Your Coronation, and the gracious and encouraging words in which Your Majesty was pleased to reply. We recall many other acts of Royal favour shown to us in past years by Queen Victoria and King Edward VII. of blessed and glorious memory, and we also offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for bestowing upon us those prizes by which Your Royal Grandfather, the late Prince Consort, sought to foster amongst us the study of modern languages, and which by His late Majesty's bounty were continued as the King's Prizes.

The presence of Your Majesties here to-day fills our hearts with gladness, and we most earnestly pray that the blessing of God may be upon you, and the love of all Your people attend You in a long and prosperous reign.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious answer :—

When the Queen and I came to Eton shortly after Our Coronation we were deeply