

"And whereas by section 19 of the Naval Discipline Act, 1866, it is enacted, inter alia, that every person subject to the said Act who has deserted shall forfeit all pay, head money, bounty, salvage, prize money, and allowances that have been earned by him, and all annuities, pensions, gratuities, medals, and decorations that may have been granted to him, and also all clothes and effects which he may have left on board the ship or at the place from which he has deserted, unless the tribunal by which he is tried, or the Admiralty, shall otherwise direct:

"And whereas Clause 24 of Order in Council dated the 5th December, 1865, provides that a person against whose name the letter 'R' is placed in the books of the ship to which he belongs, as denoting a deserter, shall not, while the 'R' so remains, be entitled to receive his pay; but that the Admiralty may, if they think fit, order the 'R' to be removed and authorize the payment of the pay accrued:

"And whereas we consider it desirable that the forfeiture of pay should in certain cases be remitted, in whole or in part, either by the tribunal by which the deserter is tried or by the Admiralty, as provided in the above-quoted section of the Naval Discipline Act, 1866, without the removal of the 'R':

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to repeal the said Clause 24 of Order in Council dated the 5th December, 1865."

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 *Windsor Castle*, the 18th day of *June*, 1914.

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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 15th day of June, 1914, 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 the Regulations for the government of Your Majesty's Naval Service provide for the restoration of the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal on the completion of time for pension, with our sanction, and under

certain conditions, to a Seaman or Marine who has forfeited it for misconduct:

"And whereas a Seaman or Marine who may have been deprived of this Medal cannot earn a Good Conduct Gratuity unless his Medal has been restored to him before being pensioned:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to authorize us, at our discretion, when the man has rendered some special service, to restore at any time the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal of a Seaman or Marine who may have forfeited it for misconduct.

"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.

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"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the establishment of this rate with pay accordingly.

"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.

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