

shall for sufficient reason dispense with or postpone such advertisement.

"4. No assignment of Prize Money may be made by any Officer or Man in respect of any advance or consideration, but any assignment made by an Officer before the date of this Order shall be discharged as heretofore.

"5. Any amounts due in respect of deceased Officers and Men shall be paid in the manner prescribed for the disposal of residues of Naval Assets generally.

"6. Shares due to persons of unsound mind shall be dealt with in all respects as are Balances of Pay and Allowances payable to such persons.

"7. Payment shall be made in such manner as the Admiralty may from time to time direct.

"8. Prize money which is unclaimed, or to which a claim has not been proved to the satisfaction of the Admiralty, shall be deemed to be forfeited after the expiration of 6 years from the 1st day of April following the date when it first became distributable; but when the relative accounts have not been finally closed the Admiralty may, if good cause is shown, remit such forfeiture and pay the amount out of the Naval Prize Cash Balance.

"9. All accounts relative to any Prize Money shall be finally closed at the expiration of 40 years from the date of distribution.

"10. The net amounts brought to account in any year in respect of percentage deductions and of forfeitures under the Naval Discipline Act, shall be regarded as finally transferred to the Exchequer Consolidated Fund at the expiration of the sixth year after that in which they were brought to account.

"11. An account showing all the receipts and expenditure on account of Prize Money made up to the 31st day of March in each year, and signed by the Accountant-General of the Navy, shall be laid annually before the House of Commons.

"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 6th day of *February*, 1917.

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 1st day of February, 1917, 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 Order in Council of the 28th March, 1903, it is provided that certain Commissioned Warrant Officers and Warrant Officers therein specified shall be eligible for promotion to the Rank of Lieutenant, or the corresponding relative Rank, as a reward for long and zealous service:

"And whereas we are of opinion that similar advancement should be open to Commissioned Mechanics and Warrant Mechanics:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to approve of Commissioned Mechanics and Warrant Mechanics being eligible for promotion to the Rank of Engineer-Lieutenant as a reward for long and zealous service, under conditions similar to those applicable to Officers promoted from the ranks of Chief Artificer Engineer and Artificer Engineer; the Officers so promoted to be included in the authorized numbers of Officers who may be promoted to the Rank, or relative Rank, of Lieutenant.

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

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 6th day of *February*, 1917.

PRESENT,

The KING'S Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.

Lord Privy Seal.

Lord Chamberlain.

Lord Colebrooke.

WHEREAS by the Isle of Man (War Legislation) Act, 1914, His Majesty has power to extend to the Isle of Man any Act which, in the opinion of His Majesty, was passed for the purpose of meeting any emergency created by the present War, subject to adaptations for the purpose of making the Act applicable to the Isle of Man:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the 17th day of December, 1914, His Majesty was pleased to order that the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914, and the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914, should extend to the Isle of Man, subject to the adaptations therein contained:

And whereas the said Act and Regulations have been amended by certain other Acts and Regulations, which said Acts and Regulations have been extended to the Isle of Man by various subsequent Orders in Council, subject to the adaptations therein contained:

And whereas the said Regulations have been further amended by Order in Council dated the 10th day of January, 1917:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the Regulations amending the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914, made by Order of His Majesty in Council dated the