

the permanency of the disablement is established.

(2) When an officer's retired pay has been made permanent, it shall not be altered on account of any change in his earning capacity, whether resulting from training or other cause, neither shall it be subject to review except—

(a) When an officer whose retired pay is assessed under Article 1 of these Regulations claims that there has been a substantial increase in the extent of the disablement due to the original cause.

(b) When an officer, whose retired pay is assessed under Articles 1 and 2 of these Regulations, shows that it would be more advantageous to him to be assessed under Article 3.

5. Half the retired pay awarded under the preceding articles may be subject to the condition that the disabled officer shall undergo medical treatment in a sanatorium, hospital, convalescent home or otherwise, for any period during which it is certified that such treatment is necessary in his interests.

6. An officer in receipt of retired pay under these Regulations may be granted in addition to that pay—

(a) the difference (if any) between that pay and retired pay at the rate for the highest degree of disablement for any period during which he is certified to require special medical treatment in a sanatorium, hospital, convalescent home, or other institution, a deduction of such an amount and under such conditions as the Minister of Pensions may determine being made from the officer's retired pay on account of the cost of his maintenance in the institution.

(b) actual necessary medical and other expenses incidental to treatment in respect of the disability for which he was retired up to such amount and subject to such conditions as the Minister of Pensions may determine.

(c) if disabled in the highest degree, an allowance not exceeding 78*l.* a year in any case where the constant attendance of a second person is necessary.

7. An officer in receipt of retired pay under these Regulations may be granted in addition to that pay—

(a) the difference, if any, between that pay and retired pay at the rate for the highest degree of disablement for any period during which he is prevented from earning his living by undergoing training in a technical institution or otherwise which in the opinion of the Minister of Pensions would benefit him.

(b) an allowance to cover fees in respect of training up to such amount and subject to such conditions as the Minister may determine.

8. In any case where the degree of disablement is assessed at less than 20 per cent. or where it is considered by the Minister of Pensions more in the interests of the officer, a gratuity or temporary allowance may be granted in place of any retired pay under these Regulations. The grant will be subject to such conditions as the Minister may determine, and its amount will not exceed 500*l.* and will depend on the nature of the disablement and other circumstances of the case.

9. An officer retired as medically unfit for service, such unfitness being neither attribut-

able to nor aggravated by naval or military service, and not being due to the serious negligence or misconduct of the officer, may be granted a gratuity or temporary allowance. The grant will be subject to such conditions as the Minister of Pensions may determine. In exceptional circumstances it may amount to a sum not exceeding 300*l.* and generally it will depend on the extent to which the officer is incapacitated and on the other circumstances of the case.

## PART II.

### WIDOWS AND OTHER RELATIVES OF OFFICERS DECEASED.

10. Pensions and gratuities to the widows, children, and relatives of deceased officers, for which provision is made in the following articles, shall not be claimed as a right, but shall be given as a reward of the officer's services, and no pension or gratuity shall be granted or continued to a widow or relative who, in the opinion of the Minister of Pensions, is unworthy of the public bounty, and it shall be in the power of the Minister of Pensions to terminate or suspend any pension that may have been granted to such persons or to provide for its administration under such conditions as he may determine, and his decision shall in any case be final.

11.—(1) The widow of an officer, including an officer of the Royal Marines employed on board His Majesty's Ships, may be granted a pension as in the second column of the Second Schedule to these Regulations if the officer (a) is killed in action, whether afloat or ashore, or suffers violent death due directly and wholly to war service, or is killed or dies of injuries sustained on flying duty or while being carried on duty in aircraft under proper authority, or is drowned while on duty, or whose death results from destruction of ship, or who dies within seven years from wounds or injuries so received, or (b) dies from disease certified as caused by extraordinary exposure or exertion on service within seven years after having been first removed from duty on account of such disease, or (c) dies in consequence of injuries received in the performance of duty otherwise than under (a) within seven years after having been so injured.

(2) The widow of an officer of the Royal Marines on shore strength may be granted a pension as in the second column of the Second Schedule to these Regulations if the officer (a) is killed in action, or suffers violent death due directly and wholly to war service, or is killed or dies of injuries sustained on flying duty or while being carried on duty in aircraft under proper authority, or dies within seven years from wounds or injuries so received, or (b) dies from illness which is certified as directly traceable to fatigue, privation, or exposure incident to active operations in the field within seven years after having been first removed from duty on account of such illness, or (c) dies in consequence of injuries received in the performance of military duty otherwise than under (a) within seven years after having been so injured.

(3) The widow of an officer, including an officer of the Royal Marines, may be granted a pension as in the third column of the Second Schedule if the officer (a) dies of disease attributable to or aggravated by naval or military service other than as under subsections (1) (b) or (2) (b) within seven years after having been