

first removed from duty on account of such disease, or (b) dies of injuries attributable to naval or military service other than under subsections (1) (a) or (c) or (2) (a) or (c) of this article, and not through his own serious negligence or misconduct, within seven years after having been first removed from duty on account of such injuries.

(4) The widow of an officer who dies in the circumstances referred to in subsection (1) (a) or (2) (a) of this article may be granted a gratuity in addition to pension as in the fourth column of the Second Schedule to these Regulations; provided that, where it would be more favourable to her, the amount of the gratuity shall be equal to a year's full pay of the rank which the officer held on the 31st March, 1917, and for this purpose Officer's Command Money and other full-pay allowances, except Table Money and Field Allowance, shall be included.

12.—(1) The widow of an officer awarded a pension under Article 11 (1) or (2) of these Regulations may be granted a further allowance as in the fifth column of the Second Schedule to these Regulations, and a widow awarded a pension under Article 11 (3) a further allowance as in the sixth column of that schedule for each child maintained by her.

These allowances may be granted or continued up to the age of 18 in the case of sons and up to the age of 21 in the case of daughters, unless the child is otherwise provided for or married, and may be granted or further continued after the age of 18 in the case of a son who is an apprentice receiving not more than nominal wages, or is being educated at a secondary school, technical institute, or university.

(2) The above allowances may also be granted or continued after the specified ages in very special cases in which it is shown that (a) the children became afflicted during the officer's lifetime with some mental or bodily infirmity rendering them dependent upon him, and incapable of making adequate exertion for their own support; (b) that such incapacity dates from a period before the children reached the limit of age; and (c) that they are in distressed circumstances. The allowances may be granted or continued for such term as the Minister of Pensions may decide.

(3) A gratuity of one-third of the amount laid down in Article 11 (4) may be granted in addition to children's allowance for each child if the officer dies in the circumstances referred to in Article 11 (1) (a) or (2) (a).

(4) The widow of an officer awarded a pension under Article 11 may, if in pecuniary need, be granted at the discretion of the Minister of Pensions an education allowance not exceeding 35% a year for each child above the age of 9. The continuance of the allowance shall depend on the Minister being satisfied as to the education the child is receiving. It shall not be granted to a widow receiving an alternative pension under Article 13.

(5) In any case in which, in the opinion of the Minister of Pensions, it may become necessary to secure the proper care of a child on behalf of whom allowances are payable, the allowances, instead of being paid to the widow, may be administered under such conditions as the Minister of Pensions may determine.

13. A widow pensioned under the conditions set forth in Article 11 of these Regulations, who

makes application and shows that she was married to the officer before the commencement of the war or of his service, whichever was the later, and that her pension together with children's allowances (if any) which she has been granted under the two preceding articles is less than one-half the alternative retired pay that might have been awarded to the deceased officer under Article 3 had he survived and been incapable of supplementing that retired pay by earnings, may be granted, in lieu of such pension and children's allowances, a pension which shall not exceed one-half of such officer's alternative retired pay.

14. The widow of an officer not eligible for pension under Article 11 may be granted a gratuity of not less than one and not more than three years' pay of the appointment held by the officer provided that:—

(a) the officer dies while on full pay, or during the war after removal from full pay from the injury or disease for which he was removed from full pay or some closely connected disease, and there is a continuous medical history of sickness; and

(b) the widow is disqualified only through the insufficiency of the officer's service for an ordinary pension under the terms of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions.

The amount of the gratuity within the above limits shall be at the discretion of the Minister of Pensions, and may be paid in a lump sum or in instalments as he may determine. In the event of the officer leaving motherless children, a similar grant may be made to them under such conditions as the Minister of Pensions may determine.

15. Any pension granted to the widow of an officer under these Regulations shall cease on her re-marriage; but in the event of her again becoming a widow, her pension may be restored, if she is otherwise qualified, and if in the opinion of the Minister of Pensions her pecuniary circumstances are such as to justify the restoration. Allowances for children under Article 12 may be paid after re-marriage.

16. A widow of an officer who was at the time of his death in receipt of retired pay in consequence of disablement of not less than 70% a year, but whose death does not render her eligible for a pension under Article 11 of these Regulations may, provided she was living with the officer at the time of his death, receive a pension of not more than one-half the deceased officer's retired pay on account of his disablement, and in no case at a higher rate than provided for under subsection (3) of that article, this grant to be subject to such conditions as the Minister of Pensions may determine and to cease on re-marriage.

17.—(1) The child of an officer who has died in the circumstances set forth in Article 11 of these Regulations may be awarded a pension of 40% a year where the child is or becomes motherless, or is not or ceases to be under the control of its mother. In the event of two or more children being maintained by one person, the amount will be reduced to 35% for each of the children after the first.

(2) The grant, continuance, and administration of the pension shall be subject to the same conditions as those set forth for children's allowances in Article 12 (1), (2), and (5).