the following rates may be paid to Officers and Men serving in certain specified localities where the climate is of a tropical or unhealthy nature, viz.:—

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Warrant Officers - - - 3s. a day, Warrant and Subordinate Officers 1s. a day, Rest of the Ship's Company - 6d. a day:

"And whereas we consider that payment of this Allowance should be extended in certain

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the following arrangements:—

(1) Climate Allowance to be payable from the 1st April to 30th September of each year to Officers and Men serving in Your

Majesty's Ships on the River Nile.

(2) In the following localities the Climate Allowance now payable only during the period 1st June to 30th September of each year to be extended to cover the period 1st April to 30th September:—

The Persian Gulf, Mesopotamian Rivers,

Red Sea,

Gulf of Aden (including Aden Wireless

Telegraph Station).

"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 4th day of September, 1918.

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 23rd day of August, 1918, in the words following viz.

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"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:

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"And whereas we consider that Medical Officers of Your Majesty's Fleet who are carrying on the duties of a Dental Surgeon in addition to their proper duties as Surgeons should be granted extra pay for the additional work

performed:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the payment, at our discretion, of an allowance of 3s. a day to Medical Officers, on the Permanent or Temporary Lists, who are performing these combined duties, with effect as from the 8th August, 1918.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their con-

currence 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 4th day of September, 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREIAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 2nd day of September, 1918, 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 it is provided by Order in Council of the 29th November, 1881, that a Quartermaster, Royal Marines, may, after completing 10 years' service as such, be granted the Honorary and Relative Rank of Captain:

"And whereas, during the present abnormal conditions, Quartermasters of Your Majesty's Army are granted the Honorary Rank of Captain after 3 years' commissioned service, and we consider that Quartermasters, Royal Marines, should be eligible for a step in Honorary Rank after the same period:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to authorize us to grant, at our discretion, the Honorary Rank of Captain to Quartermasters, Royal Marines, after the completion of 3 years' commissioned service, if duly recommended: this provision to take effect from the 1st July, 1917, and to operate during the continuance of the present Hostilities.

"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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