paying its notes in currency notes issued under the said Act.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this Twentieth day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the Tenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 20th day of December, 1919.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS by an Order in Council, dated the twenty-eighth day of November, nineteen hundred and fourteen, His Majesty was pleased to make regulations (called the "Defence of the Realm Regulations") under the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914, for securing the public safety and the defence of the realm:

And whereas the said Act has been amended by the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Act, 1915, the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1915, and the Munitions of War Act, 1915, and other enactments:

And whereas the said regulations have been amended by various subsequent Orders in

And whereas it is expedient further to amend the said regulations in manner hereinafter

appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the following amendment be made in the said regulations:—

Regulation 8AA shall be revoked.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 20th day of December, 1919.

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 13th day of December, 1919, 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 therem, shall be paid in such manner, and subject to such restrictions, conditions, and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in

"And whereas we consider that a rank should be established in the Accountant Branch of Your Majesty's Navy higher than that of Paymaster Captain, and that the title of such rank should be Paymaster Rear-Admiral:

"And whereas with the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury we appointed a Paymaster Director-General as from the 6th March, 1918, under the conditions set forth in the Schedule annexed hereto:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the establishment of the post of Paymaster Director-General, with the rank of Paymaster Rear-Admiral, with effect from 6th March, 1918.

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

"SCHEDULE.

" Pay.

"To be at a consolidated rate of £1,200 a year.

"Retirement.

"To be compulsory after five years' service in the rank of Paymaster Director-General, or at the age of 60.

"Widow's Pension, etc.

"Widow's Pension and Compassionate Allowances for children to be on the scale applicable to Rear-Admirals."

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 20th day of December, 1919.

PRESENT.

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section 80 of the Merchant
Shipping Act, 1906, power is given to
His Majesty, by Order in Council, to make
Regulations as to the manner in which Government Ships may be registered as British Ships
under the Merchant Shipping Acts:

And whereas by the said Section it is provided that those Acts shall, subject to any exceptions or modifications which may be made by Order in Council, either generally or as respects any special class of such Ships, apply to such Ships when registered in accordance with such Regulations:

And whereas on account of urgency it is expedient that this Order should come into immediate operation.

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf by the said Act, or otherwise, in Him vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered:—

I. That the following Regulations shall have effect as regards any Government Ships in the service of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the Board:

- 1. An application for registry of a Government Ship in the service of the Board shall be made in writing under the hand of the Fisheries Secretary to the Board. Such application shall contain the following particulars:—
 - (1) A statement of the name and description of the Ship.