

Council of that date relating to the retired pay of commissioned officers and the families of such deceased officers.

(3) Any reference to the provisions of the Order in Council of the 29th September, 1917, shall include references to such provisions as amended by any other Order in Council, so far as may be applicable.

5. The Minister of Pensions shall be the sole interpreter of these Regulations, and shall give such instructions as he may deem expedient for giving effect thereto.

6. These Regulations shall have effect as from the 1st day of April, 1919, provided that any increase of retired pay, pension, or allowance by virtue of any subsequent Order in Council shall begin from the date when such Order in Council takes effect.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *October*, 1920.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, wages, pensions, bounty money, grants, or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in His Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an officer, seaman, or marine, or to the widow or any relative of a deceased officer, seaman, or marine, 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 under section 2, subsection (1), of the Ministry of Pensions Act, 1916, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that there shall be transferred to the Minister of Pensions the powers and duties of the Admiralty with respect to pensions and grants to persons who have served as officers or men, and to their widows, children, and other dependants, other than service pensions, so far as such pensions and grants are payable out of moneys provided by Parliament, and not provided exclusively for the purpose of Greenwich Hospital, and that His Majesty may by Order in Council make such adaptations in the enactments relating to such powers and duties as aforesaid as may be necessary to make them exercisable by the Minister of Pensions and his officers, and may fix the time or times as from which the several powers and duties are to be transferred to him:

And whereas it has been represented to His Majesty by the Minister of Pensions that it is desirable to make further provision in regard to the pensions of Commissioned Warrant Officers and Warrant Officers (including Royal Marine Gunners) of His Majesty's Naval, Reserve, and Marine Forces disabled in consequence of former wars, and to the pensions and allowances of widows and children of such officers whose deaths resulted from former wars:

And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in these proposals:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, having taken the said proposals into consideration, is

pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve thereof and to sanction the following Regulations, that is to say:—

1. The pension being paid on the 1st day of April, 1919, under the Regulations for the government of His Majesty's Naval Service, to an officer of warrant rank in respect of a disability due directly and wholly to service in a former war may be increased by the difference between such pension and the pension which he might receive, according to the degree of his disablement as certified, under the Order in Council of the 29th September, 1917, if he were subject to such Order in Council.

2. The pension and compassionate allowances awarded to the widows and children of officers of warrant rank who were killed in action or died within two years as the result of wounds received in action in former wars, or who were drowned or suffered violent death in an immediate act of duty in a former war, or died from the effects of any injury or disease caused by extraordinary exposure or exertion on service in a former war, within two years after first being certified to be ill or being so injured, and being paid on the 1st day of April, 1919, may be increased to the rates which might have been awarded under Articles 11 (1) and 12 (1) of the Order in Council of the 29th September, 1917.

3. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:—

(1) "Officer of warrant rank" has the meaning assigned to it in the Order in Council of the 29th September, 1917, as far as applicable.

(2) "Certified" means certified by a Medical Officer or Board of Medical Officers appointed by the Minister of Pensions for the purpose.

(3) "Order in Council of the 29th September, 1917," refers to the Order in Council of that date relating to the pensions of officers of warrant rank and the families of such deceased officers.

(4) Any reference to the provisions of the Order in Council of the 29th September, 1917, shall include references to such provisions as amended by any other Order in Council, so far as may be applicable.

4. The Minister of Pensions shall be the sole interpreter of these Regulations, and shall give such instructions as he may deem expedient for giving effect thereto.

5. These Regulations shall have effect as from the 1st day of April, 1919, provided that any increase of pension or allowance by virtue of any subsequent Order in Council shall begin from the date when such Order in Council takes effect.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *October*, 1920.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in accordance with the Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 14) Act, 1913, (being an Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local