

"(8) An Officer, however, in receipt of a special rate of pay under these regulations who, after the date of the award thereof, may qualify for an allowance in respect of qualifications (*e.g.*, Dagger Allowance) may be permitted to receive the normal rate of full pay appropriate to his rank and seniority together with the allowance, whenever such payment becomes more to his advantage than the special rate of pay.

"(9) A special rate of pay under these regulations shall not be granted to any Warrant Officer from a date earlier than the 1st January, 1920, or the date of his promotion to Warrant rank, whichever be the later date."

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 9th day of *March*, 1921.

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 by Sub-Section (1) of Section 2 of the Ministry of Pensions Act, 1916, as amended by Section 1 of the War Pensions Act, 1920, 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, and to persons who have been employed in the nursing service of any of His Majesty's Naval Forces, 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 so far as such powers and duties relate to pensions and grants to which the War Pensions Acts apply, 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 (hereinafter referred to as "the Minister") and his officers:

And whereas certain Regulations were annexed to the Order in Council of the 29th September, 1917, giving sanction to the pensions and grants which might be awarded to commissioned and subordinate officers of His Majesty's Naval, Coastguard, Marine, and Reserve Forces disabled, and to the families of such officers deceased, and to members of His Majesty's Nursing Service disabled, in consequence of the Great War (hereinafter referred to as "the war"):

And whereas it has been represented to His Majesty by the Minister of Pensions that it is desirable to make further provision concerning such pensions and grants:

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 grant of pensions, allowances and gratuities to such officers and nurses disabled, and to the families of such officers and nurses deceased, whose claims arise in respect of service during the war, on the scales and subject to the conditions set forth in the Regulations hereto annexed, in substitution for those laid down in the Order in Council of 29th September, 1917, with effect (subject to the provisions of the Fifth Schedule to the said Regulations) from the 1st day of April, 1920, and further, to empower the Minister of Pensions to make or revise grants under previous Orders in respect of any claims which may have arisen between the outbreak of the war and the aforesaid 1st day of April, 1920: Provided always that, if more favourable to the officer or nurse, the pension, allowance, or gratuity payable under existing regulations shall be granted, and no grant to an officer or nurse, or to the family of an officer, shall be re-assessed to their disadvantage; and provided further that any widow, child, or dependant of an officer promoted during the war from a rank or rating below that of a commissioned officer from warrant rank shall not be less favourably treated than if he had continued to serve in the lower rank.

Almeric FitzRoy.

REGULATIONS.

PART I.—OFFICERS DISABLED.

1.—An officer who retires, relinquishes his commission, or reverts to the Retired, Reserve, or Emergency List on account of medical unfitness certified as either attributable to or aggravated by naval or military service during the war, and not being due to his serious negligence or misconduct, may, subject to Article 8, be granted the retired pay shown in columns 3 to 7 of Part I. of the First Schedule to these Regulations which corresponds to the degree of his disablement as certified:

Provided that—

(1) If the officer (other than an officer to whom the Order in Council of the 13th October, 1920, applies) holds a permanent commission in the Royal Navy or Royal Marines, he may be granted—

(a) If he retires,—

(i) The retired pay (other than the half-pay rate for his rank and seniority) or gratuity for which he is eligible under Section IX. of Schedule V. to the Order in Council of the 22nd January, 1920, together with an addition as in column 8 of Part I. of the First Schedule hereto; or

(ii) If eligible therefor, the annual sum set forth in Part II. of the First Schedule hereto, together with an addition as in column 8 of Part I. of that Schedule; or

(iii) The half-pay of his rank and seniority as laid down in Section VII. of Schedule V. to the aforesaid Order, without any addition whatsoever,