

" 2. Other Captains of seniority the 30th January, 1917, Captains of later seniority and Lieutenants of seniority the 1st January, 1922

or earlier, may be allowed, at Admiralty discretion to retire on the following rates of retired pay and gratuities :—

Seniority of Officer on the 24th November, 1923, reckoned from a date 4 years after the date of his first commission, or from the date of his promotion to Captain, if earlier.	Rate of Retired Pay per annum.
Less than 1 year ... ..	£ 82 s. 10 d. 0
1 year, but less than 2 years ... ..	90 0 0
2 years " " " 3 " ... ..	97 10 0
3 " " " " 4 " ... ..	105 0 0
4 " " " " 5 " ... ..	112 10 0
5 " " " " 6 " ... ..	120 0 0
6 " " " " 7 " ... ..	132 10 0
7 " " " " 8 " ... ..	145 0 0

Plus a gratuity of £350, with an addition of £50 for each of the first three complete years since the date of first joining a sea-going ship or being drafted to a Brigade for service ashore, with a further addition of £100 for each complete subsequent year, and with a further addition of £12 10s. or £25 for each complete 3 months of an uncompleted year according as such uncompleted year is or is not one of the first three, up to the 24th November, 1923.

" Section VI.

" *Captains, R.M., granted Commissions under the Provisions of Paragraph (1) of Order in Council of the 11th February, 1913.*

" Such Officers may be allowed, at Admiralty discretion, to retire on retired pay in accordance with the following scale, plus a gratuity of £500 :—

Age of Officer on the 24th November, 1923.	Rate of Retired Pay per annum.
30	£160
31	£170
32	£180
33	£190
34	£200
35	£215
36	£227
37	£240
38	£252
39	£265

" Section VII.

" *Quartermasters, R.M., Sergeants-Major, R.M., and Superintending Clerks, R.M.*

" 1. Officers of these ranks or classes of the age of 50 or above on the 24th November, 1923, may be allowed, at Admiralty discretion, to retire on the rates of retired pay for which they would have been eligible under the regulations now applicable to them on attaining

the age of 55, had they continued to serve until reaching that age, but in assessing such rates no promotions other than automatic promotions shall be taken into account. For this purpose, promotion from Warrant Officer to Commissioned Officer from Warrant rank shall be regarded as automatic on the attainment of ten years' seniority as Warrant Officer, provided the Officer's record is satisfactory.

These Officers may be granted, in addition to these rates of retired pay, a gratuity on retirement of £37 10s. for each complete three months intervening between the day preceding the commencement of retired pay and the day on which they would attain the age of 55, subject to a maximum gratuity of £500 in each case.

" 2. Officers of these ranks or classes who will not have reached the age of 50 on the 24th November, 1923, may be allowed at Admiralty discretion, to retire with the rates of retired pay for which they would have been eligible by rank and service had they continued to serve on full pay until the 24th November, 1925, subject, in each case, to the maximum rate of retired pay laid down for the rank held on the 24th August, 1923. A gratuity of £500 may be granted in each case in addition.

" Section VIII.

" As from the 24th November, 1923, the age of compulsory retirement shall be reduced to 50 years as a permanent measure for :—

- Commissioned Sergeants-Major, R.M.
- Commissioned Superintending Clerks, R.M.
- Commissioned Bandmasters, R.M.
- Sergeants-Major, R.M.
- Superintending Clerks, R.M.
- Bandmasters, R.M.

" Section IX.

" *Directors of Music.*

" Directors of Music may be allowed, at Admiralty discretion, to retire on the rates of retired pay for which they would have been