At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 6th day of February, 1925.

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 22nd day of December, 1924 (N. 5318/24), 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 by Your Order in Council of 11th October, 1921, former Noncontinuous Service time counts equally with Continuous Service time towards advancement and increase of pay for Officers' Stewards and Cooks allowed to transfer to Continuous Service whilst serving in Your Majesty's Navy, subject to the regulations already laid down regarding the forfeiture of time:

" And whereas Officers' Stewards and Cooks who have previously served as such under Noncontinuous Service conditions may be allowed to re-enter from the shore for Continuous

"We beg leave most humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to authorize, with retrospective effect from the date when Continuous Service Officers' Stewards and Cooks were first entered from the shore, the counting of previous Non-continuous Service time equally with Continuous Service time towards advancement to the Continuous Service rating of Officers' Steward or Cook, 3rd Class, but not above that rate, for men who re-enter for Continuous Service, subject to the regulations already laid down regarding the forfeiture of time.

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

Majesty, having taken 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.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 6th day of February, 1925.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right the Honourable Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 6th day of January, 1925 (G.H.), in the words follow-

ing, viz.:—
"Whereas by an Order in Council of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, bearing date the 26th day of June, 1886, the Grant is authorized of the undermentioned allowances to pensioners admitted as permanent inmates to Naval Hospitals or Infirmaries at the expense of Greenwich Hospital Funds, and to their wives and families:-

Rate of man's pension.				Allowances to wives or persons having charge of the children.
From 6d. to 1s. a day Over 1s. and not exceeding 1s. 6d. a day Over 1s. 6d. and not exceeding 2s. a day		•••		3s. per week. 4s. per week. 5s. per week.

When the pension exceeds 2s. a day, the balance is to be given to the men's wives or the persons having charge of their children instead of the above allowances, but in such cases the allowances are not to be less in amount than 5s. a week:

"Pensioners admitted as permanent inmates if without wives or children are to receive 2s. a week provided their pensions exceed 1s. a day:

"And whereas by Her late Majesty's Order in Council dated the 25th day of January, 1887, the payment of these allowances is authorized in the case of Pensioners admitted to Naval Hospitals or Infirmaries for treatment only:

And whereas by Her late Majesty's Order in Council dated the 29th day of November, 1898, the payment of these allowances is authorized in the case of Pensioners admitted to other than Naval Hospitals or Infirmaries at the expense of Greenwich Hospital funds:

" And whereas we consider that the limita-

tion of the allowances of 3s., 4s., or 5s. a week or upwards to Pensioners having wives or

families involves hardship in some cases:
"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the allowances referred to in the preceding paragraph being extended, with effect as from the 1st day of March, 1924, to all pensioners admitted to Hospitals or Infirmaries at the expense of Greenwich Hospital Funds, in addition to the allowances already payable to the pensioners themselves, which are, however, to be limited to the rate of 1s. a week.

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

M. P. A. Hankey.