

the discretion of the Admiralty. The foregoing regulation to be applicable also to:—

Quartermasters R.M.	
Directors of Music R.M.	
Musical Director	...
Assistant Musical Director	...
Company Officers	...
Quartermaster	...

} R.N. School
of Music.

" 2. The rate of half-pay for Warrant Officers R.N. and Officers promoted therefrom whose full pay is on the 'mechanical' scale to be half the rate of full pay applicable to their rank and seniority on the 'non-mechanical' scale; in all other cases the rate of half-pay to be half the rate of full pay of their rank and seniority.

" 3. All Officers of the above-mentioned categories, in respect of whom provision for retirement on account of non-service has not already been made, to be retired after three years from date of last service.

" 4. Officers, Royal Navy, of the rank or equivalent rank of Lieutenant or Lieutenant Commander promoted to the former rank for acts of gallantry or daring to be retired after three years from date of last service.

" 5. The time of Officers while on half-pay under the provisions of this Schedule to count as one-third of full service for increase of retired pay under the usual conditions, but not to count for increase of gratuity on retirement or discharge."

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.

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 5th day of February, 1925 (C.W. 4748/24), 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 Your Majesty was pleased by Your Order in Council bearing date the 21st day of April, 1922, to empower us to place on the Retired List, irrespective of age and service, Officers of Your Majesty's Naval and Marine Forces who may be judged by us to be unfit for further employment by reason of

incapacity or temperamental or other defect not amounting to misconduct and not caused by intemperate or irregular habits of life, at such rates of retired pay, pension or gratuity as we with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury may determine:

" And whereas it is expedient that the rates of retired pay, pension or gratuity that may be granted to Officers retired in such circumstances should be defined:

" We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased to sanction the regulations set forth in the annexed Schedule.

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

" SCHEDULE.

" 1. Officers in respect of whom provision is made for retirement on account of non-service to receive retired pay on the scale which would have been applicable to them if retired for that reason.

" 2. Officers on the Supplementary List:—

(a) If retired after less than 10 years' full pay service (including service in the Royal Navy as R.N.R. Officer, Acting Sub-Lieutenant and Sub-Lieutenant, R.N.) to receive a gratuity of 5 calendar months' full pay for each complete year of such service.

(b) If retired with 10 or more years' full pay service as above, to receive retired pay at the rate of £200 a year together with an addition of £15 a year for each complete year of such service over 10 (maximum £275).

" 3. Sub-Lieutenants, R.N., Paymaster Sub-Lieutenants R.N., and Probationary Second Lieutenants, Probationary Lieutenants, and Lieutenants, Royal Marines with less than 4 years' commissioned time (except Officers promoted under the provisions of Order in Council dated 11th February, 1913):—

To receive a gratuity at a rate not exceeding £50 for each complete year of full pay service, or £200 in all; in the case of Royal Marine Officers, service for this purpose to count from the age of 18 only.

" 4. Officers of the Schoolmaster Branch, R.N. and R.M.:—

The scale of gratuities authorized by Order in Council of 27th May, 1921 (as amended in regard to the counting of time by Order in Council of 28th November, 1923, Section III of Schedule) for Officers retired below the age of 40 years if found inefficient or unworthy of further employment to be applicable to Officers retired under the provisions of Order in Council of 21st April, 1922.

" 5. The regulations contained in this Schedule to have effect from the 1st April, 1919, but without prejudice to any awards made under other regulations.

" 6. The rates of retired pay authorized by this Schedule to be regarded as standard rates comparable with those authorized in Schedule V, Section IX of the Order in Council dated 22nd January, 1920, and to be subject to revision at the same dates and in the same manner as retired pay authorized by that Order."