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TUESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER, 1926.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 5th day of November, 1926.

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 31st day of August, 1926 (G.H. 26136), in the words following, viz.:-

"Whereas by section 20 of the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1865, it is enacted, inter alia, that the Admiralty shall from time to time continue or appoint such officers, clerks and servants for the purposes of the Hospital and Schools as seem fit, and may (subject to the approval of Your Majesty in Council) fix the salaries of such officers and clerks:

"And whereas by section 8 of the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1872, it is enacted that the provisions of section 20 of the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1865, so far as the same relate to salaries. shall extend to pensions and pecuniary benefits of any kind:

" And whereas Mr. W. T. Franklin, a former Assistant Master in the Royal Hospital School, Greenwich, is eligible for the award of superannuation allowances from the funds of Greenwich Hospital in respect of that portion of his service at Greenwich prior to the 31st March, 1895:

"And whereas by Your Majesty's Order in Council dated the 17th May, 1920, the scale of salary of the Chief Officer of the Royal Hospital School, Greenwich, was fixed at £200 to £300 a year rising by annual increments of £10, with quarters:

"And whereas Mr. A. A. Rutter, Clerk in Charge of the Greenwich Hospital Department of the Admiralty retired from the service of Greenwich Hospital on the 16th August, 1926,

on account of age:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the following payments from the Funds of Greenwich Hospital, viz.:—

" (1) A pension to Mr. W. T. Franklin at the rate of Five pounds, nineteen shillings and two pence (£5 19s 2d.) per annum as from the 26th March, 1926, and a gratuity of Fifteen pounds, seventeen shillings and tenpence (£15 17s. 10d.).

" (2) The scale of salary of the Chief Officer of the Royal Hospital School, Greenwich, being increased from £200 to £250 per annum to £250 to £350 per annum, rising by £10 annually, with quarters, as from the 30th

April, 1926.

(3) A pension to Mr. A. A. Rutter as from the date of his retirement at the rate of Four hundred pounds (£400) per annum, a supplementary pension of Ninety-seven pounds,