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FRIDAY, 5 AUGUST, 1927.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 25th day of July, 1927.

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 20th day of July, 1927 (C.W. 5998/26), 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 graciously pleased, by Your Orders in Council bearing date the 22nd day of January, 1920, and the 26th day of June, 1920, to approve, *inter alia*, of the payment of specialist allowances of 2s. 6d. a day to Medical Officers of Your Majesty's Navy below the rank of Surgeon Captain who have specialised in certain professional subjects, and by Your Orders in Council bearing date the 11th day of March, 1920, and the 26th day of May, 1925, to fix establishments for Surgeon Captains and for Dental Officers, respectively :

“ And whereas we consider it desirable in the interests of Your Majesty's Naval Service that the specialist allowances granted to Medical Officers should be increased in numbers and should be paid at a higher rate, that the establishments of Surgeon Captains and of Dental Officers should be increased, and that certain other changes as set forth in the Schedule annexed hereto should be made in the conditions of service of Medical and Dental Officers of Your Majesty's Navy :

“ We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the proposals contained in the annexed Schedule with effect from the 1st day of July, 1926.

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

“ SCHEDULE.

“ I. MEDICAL OFFICERS, R.N.

“ (1) *Specialist Allowances.*

The number of specialist allowances to be increased from forty-six to sixty, and the professional subjects in respect of which the allowances are payable to be extended to include Medicine, Surgery, Radiology and Hygiene, in addition to the subjects specified in Order in Council of the 28th June, 1920.

The rate of allowance payable to be increased from 2s. 6d. to 5s. a day.

A Surgeon Commander holding the appointment of Naval Health Officer to be exempt from the rule laid down in Order in Council of