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 19th day of May, 1931.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 10th day of April, 1931, (V.256/1931) in the words following, viz.:—

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"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 Order in Council bearing date the 10th day of August, 1922, to sanction the payment of certain allowances to Officers' Stewards in Your Majesty's Navy for the care of mess traps supplied to Flag Officers' and

Commanding Officers' messes:

"And whereas we consider it desirable that the allowances payable for the care of mess traps of Flag Captains, Commanders, Lieutenant Commanders and Lieutenants in

Command should be revised:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to approve the payment of an allowance of 3d. a day to Officers' Stewards for the care of mess traps supplied to Flag Captains, Commanders, Lieutenant Commanders and Lieutenants in Command of Ships of Your Majesty's Navy on commissioning or recommissioning in lieu of the present allowances of 4d., 3d. and 2d. a day respectively.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their con-

currence in this proposal."

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 19th day of May, 1931.

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 24th day of March, 1931

(C.W. 10025/30), 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 dates the 25th July, 1927, and the 5th November, 1929, to provide, inter alia, that Medical and Dental Officers of Your Majesty's Navy who have held approved appointments in recognised Civil Hospitals before their entry into the Service may be granted additional seniority in respect of such Civil Hospital service, subject, among other restrictions, to the concession not ordinarily being granted where the interval between the termination of the hospital appointment and the date of entry into the Service exceeds six months:

"And whereas we are of opinion that it is in the interest of Your Majesty's Naval Service that this restriction should be

abolished:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to empower us, at our discretion, to apply the provisions of Orders in Council dated the 25th July, 1927, and 5th November, 1929, relating to the grant of antedate of seniority to Medical and Dental Officers in respect of Civil Hospital appointments, without regard to the length of the interval between the termination of Civil Hospital appointment and the date of entry into the Service, subject to the condition that where the interval between the termination of the Civil Hospital appointment and the date of entry into the Service exceeds six months, the time covered by any ante-date of seniority approved shall not be allowed to reckon as service for retired pay in the case of an officer who may apply to retire voluntarily unless he shall have completed 12 years' service counting for retired pay independently of such time.

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

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 19th day of May, 1931.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for. His Majesty in Council from time to time, by Order in Council, to define