

" 2. Subject to Rule 6 below, any Warrant Officer at present serving, to whom a special rate of pay has not hitherto been awarded, and any rating or marine rank hereafter promoted to Warrant rank whose rate of full pay, if calculated on the normal scale applicable to his rank and seniority, would be less than 1s. in excess of his daily emoluments as a rating, calculated in the manner prescribed in Rule 3 below, may be granted a special rate of full pay greater by 1s. a day than such daily emoluments as a rating, provided that immediately before his promotion to Warrant rank he was married or a widower with a child or children to, or in respect of, whose wife or child or children marriage allowance was in course of payment.

" 3. The daily emoluments as a rating on which the comparison between emoluments as a rating and full pay as an officer is to be made for the purpose of Rule 2, are to be based on the daily rates of Substantive and Non-Substantive Pay, Badge Pay, Kit Upkeep Allowance, and Marriage Allowance, of which the officer was in receipt on the day preceding that of his promotion to Warrant rank, subject to the following provisos:—

(i) Where the total daily emoluments as a rating thus determined are not an exact multiple of 2d., they shall be deemed to be a sum equal to the next multiple of 2d.;

(ii) Where the full pay of an officer, although at the date of his promotion at least 1s. in excess of his daily emoluments as a rating, has since ceased, or may hereafter cease, to be so as the result of a general reduction in his scale of pay, marriage allowance shall be calculated at the rates in force at the date of such reduction, but with reference to the Officer's condition as regards wife and children on the day preceding that of his promotion to Warrant rank.

" 4.—(a) An officer in receipt of a special rate of pay under these regulations shall not be permitted to receive concurrently the specialist allowance which is payable continuously in respect of qualification in advanced gunnery, but an officer to whom a special rate of pay under these regulations has been granted, and who, after the date of the award thereof may qualify for such specialist allowance may be permitted to receive the normal rate of full pay appropriate to his rank and seniority, together with the allowance when such payment is more to his advantage than the special rate of pay.

(b) Allowances which depend on the performance of special duties, such as Command Money and Store Allowance, or which are of a compensatory nature such as lodging money and provision allowance, may be paid concurrently with the special rate of pay.

" 5. An officer in receipt of a special rate of pay under these regulations shall not be granted any increment of pay until such time as under ordinary regulations he may become eligible by length of service as Warrant Officer for a higher rate on the normal scale, but any officer who has qualified by length of service for a higher rate of pay on the normal scale applicable to his rank shall be allowed, subject to the maximum prescribed in Rule 6 below, to revert to the special rate of pay previously granted if his current rate of pay on

the normal scale become less than such special rate.

" 6. No officer shall receive a special rate of pay under these regulations from a date earlier than the 1st December, 1930, or the date of his promotion to Warrant rank if later, and no officer shall receive a special rate of pay greater than the maximum rate of pay on the normal scale prescribed from time to time for his rank."

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 23rd day of April, 1931 (N.P. II. 526/31), 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 Orders in Council bearing dates the 11th day of August, 1854, and the 30th day of June, 1860, we are empowered to make advances on account of pay to the ratings of Your Majesty's Fleet on proceeding on foreign Service:

" And whereas we are of opinion that we should be further empowered to make advances on account of pay to Ratings on their discharge from Your Majesty's ships of the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy for passage to England in a vessel other than a ship of war:

" We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to authorise us to grant advances of pay to Ratings accordingly subject to the conditions that they are entitled to full pay on passage, and that the amount of the advance shall not exceed one month's pay assessed with due regard to the deductions normally chargeable thereon.

" 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