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FRIDAY, 16 AUGUST, 1935

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *August*, 1935.

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 July, 1935 (C.W. 144/35), 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 Your Order in Council dated the 26th day of February, 1934, Your Majesty was pleased to sanction special rates of gratuity on retirement, in lieu of retired pay, for Lieutenant Commanders and Lieutenants, R.N., subject to certain restrictions:

“And whereas we desire to extend to a limited number of Officers the option of retiring with gratuity as authorised by Your above mentioned Order in Council of the 26th day of February, 1934:

“And whereas we are of opinion that for such Officers the conditions governing the grant of these gratuities should be modified:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by

Your Order in Council, to sanction the following proposals:—

That the option of retiring with gratuity, in lieu of retired pay, may, at our discretion, be extended after the 1st day of January, 1935, to such Officers, provided they come within the other restrictions imposed by Your above mentioned Order in Council, except that the date to which seniority shall be calculated for the purpose of the amount of the gratuity payable shall be determined in accordance with rules agreed to by the Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury and of the Admiralty:

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

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.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

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