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TUESDAY, 23 APRIL, 1940

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 17th day of *April*, 1940.

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 10th day of April, 1940 (N.6277/40), 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 the Regulations for the government of Your Majesty's Naval Service provide for the enrolment of Motor Mechanics in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve but no such provision exists for their entry into the Royal Navy:

“And whereas recruitment into the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve ceased on mobilisation and we have found it expedient to enter Motor Mechanics in the Royal Navy on engagements until the end of the period of the present emergency:

“And whereas we consider that such Motor Mechanics who have attained the age of 21 shall receive the same rates of pay as those prescribed by Order in Council of 3rd November, 1927, for corresponding ratings of the

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve when mobilised or under training and that, while under the age or 21, they shall receive 5s. 7d. a day:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the establishment of the titles and rates of pay set forth in the annexed schedule for ratings who have entered, or may enter, the Royal Navy as Motor Mechanics during the present emergency.

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

“Schedule.

Rating.	Rate per diem.
	s. d.
Motor Mechanic (under 21) ...	5 7
Motor Mechanic (21 and over) ...	6 11
After 2 years' service as such...	7 4
Acting Chief Motor Mechanic 4th Class	8 0
Chief Motor Mechanic 4th Class...	8 0
Chief Motor Mechanic 3rd Class...	9 0
Chief Motor Mechanic 2nd Class...	9 6
Chief Motor Mechanic 1st Class...	10 0.”

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.

Rupert B. Howorth.