- (h) the maximum allowance for lowered standard of occupation from £208.00 a year to £232.96 a year in the case of officers and from £4.00 a week to £4.48 a week in the case of ratings;
- (i) the allowances payable to pensioners who have attained the age of 65 and whose pensioned disablement is assessed at 40 per cent. or over from between £26.00 a year and £72.80 a year to between £28.60 a year and £83.20 a year in the case of officers and from between £0.50 a week and £1.40 a week to between £0.55 a week and £1.60 a week in the case of ratings;
- (j) the allowances payable in respect of children of pensioners receiving treatment as defined in Article 21(8) in respect of the first or only child from £96.20 a year to £109.20 a year in the case of officers and from £1.85 a week to £2.10 a week in the case of ratings, in respect of the second child from £49.40 a year to £62.40 a year in the case of officers and from £0.95 a week to £1.20 a week in the case of officers and from £0.95 a week to £1.20 a week in the case of ratings, and in respect of any other child from £44.20 a year to £57.20 a year in the case of officers and from £0.85 a week to £1.10 a week in the case of ratings, and to further increase those allowances where the said pensioners are not ertitled to invalidity pension and allowance under national insurance provisions solely because of failure to satisfy the contribution conditions to £171.60 a year; £3.30 a week; £1124.80 a year; £2.40 a week; £119.60 a year and £2.30 a week respectively;
- (k) the maximum of the additional personal treatment allowance payable to a pensioner who is not entitled to full sickness benefit or invalidity pension and allowance under national insurance provisions from £6.00 a week to £6.75 a week;

Widow's benefits

- (1) the rates of pensions for certain widows by £52.00 a year in the case of officers and by £1.00 a week in the case of ratings;
- (m) the maximum pensions payable to unmarried dependants who lived as wives of deceased members of the naval forces from £406.50 a year to £458.50 a year in the case of officers and from £7.30 a week to £8.30 a week in the case of ratings;
- (n) the maximum rent allowance payable to certain widows from $\pounds 3.00$ a week to $\pounds 3.40$ a week;
- (a) the allowances payable to widows in respect of children for the first or only child from £171.90 a year to £190.10 a year in the case of officers and from £3.15 a week to £3.50 a week in the case of ratings, and in respect of each other child from £145.90 a year to £164.10 a year in the case of officers and from £2.65 a week to £3.00 a week in the case of ratings, where the child qualifies for a family allowance, and from £164.10 a year to £182.30 a year in the case of officers and from £3.00 a week to £3.55 a week in the case of ratings, where the child qualifies for a family allowance, and from £164.10 a year to £182.30 a year in the case of officers and from £3.00 a week to £3.35 a week in the case of ratings where the child does not so qualify;

Other benefits

- (p) the maximum pensions payable to certain widowers from £412.00 a year to £464.00 a year in the case of officers and from £7.80 a week to £8.80 a week in the case of ratings;
- (q) the rates of pensions and allowances payable to or in respect of the children of deceased members of the naval forces (such children having become motherless or having ceased to be under the control of their mothers) in respect of the first or only child or any other child who does not qualify for a family allowance from £251·10 a year to £269·30 a year in the case of children of officers and from £3·15 or £4·65 a week to £3·50 or £5·00 a week (according to the age of the child) in the case of children of atings, and in respect of each other child who qualifies for family allowance from £25·10 a year to £243·30 a year in the case of children of officers and from £2·50 or £4·55 a week to £3·00 or £4·50 a week (according to the age of the child) in the case of children of officers and from £2·65 or £4·15 a week to £3·00 or £4·50 a week (according to the age of the child) in the case of children of officers and from £2·65 or £4·15 a week to £3·00 or £4·50 a week (according to the age of the child) in the case of children of atings;
- (r) the maximum rates of pensions payable to motherless or fatherless children who, having attained the age of 18 years, are incapable of self-support by reason of infirmity which arose before they attained the normal age limit for pension purposes, from £312.00 a year to £351.00 a year in the case of children of officers and from £6.00 a week to £6.75 a week in the case of children of ratings.
- Article 2 makes amendments to the 1964 Order, the effects of which are :---
- (a) to remove a restriction under which no award could be made in respect of the death of a member, occurring more than 7 years after the termination of his service, unless he had been in receipt of a pension in respect of disablement;
- (b) to raise the maximum amount of earnings which may be received by a member while deemed to be unemployable for the purposes of an award of unemployability allowance from £104 a year to £234 a year;
- (c) to enable the maximum rate of additional allowances payable in respect of the children of a member receiving treatment as defined in Article 21(8) to be awarded in cases where the member would not otherwise qualify for such an award solely by reason of his age, in cases where the member is in receipt of an unemployability allowance and in certain cases where the member is not eligible for retirement pension;
- (d) to enable the rate of rent allowance to be determined by reference to the amount of weekly rent and rates instead of as hitherto the amount by which the weekly rent and rates exceed 30p.

Article 3 extends the Secretary of State's discretionary power to make deductions from awards in respect of maintenance in an institution supported out of public funds to all cases where the pensioner is maintained free of charge in a National Health Service hospital or similar institution for the purpose of receiving treatment and provides for payments out of such deductions to be made to the pensioner for his resettlement following a period of such treatment.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

> St. James's Palace, London S.W.1. 18th August 1972

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased, on the advice of Her Majesty's New Zealand Ministers, to approve the award of the Polar Medal to the undermentioned persons for good services as members of the New Zealand Expeditions to Antarctica in recent years:

(To be dated 15th August, 1972) Polar Medal

Mr. Ian Philip JOHNSON; Mr. Harold Phillip Lowe; Mr. William James WEBB.

CROWN OFFICE

House of Lords, London SW1A OPW

15th August 1972

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal dated 15th August 1972, to present the Reverend Robert Douglas Cheyne to the Rectory of Cottesbrooke with Great Creaton in the county of Northampton and Diocese of Peterborough, void by the death of the last incumbent thereof and in Her Majesty's Gift for this turn only by reason of the avoidance of the See of Peterborough.