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TUESDAY, 23 JULY, 1918.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of July, 1918.

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 July, 1918, in the words following wire.

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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:

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"And whereas in the Regulations for the Government of Your Majesty's Navy, and in sundry Orders in Council, provision is made for the grant to Officers, subject to certain conditions, and during certain limited periods, of sick leave on full pay:

"And whereas in sundry Orders in Council provision is made, subject to certain con-

ditions, for the grant of non-effective pay during periods of unemployment to Officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines at rates dependent upon their rank and service:

"And whereas under the Instructions for Royal Marine Divisions Officers of the Royal Marines, who are maintained at the public expense in a Naval Hospital during full-pay sick leave, are liable to deduction from their full pay while so maintained:

"And whereas we are of opinion that it is desirable in certain respects to modify the said Regulations for the period of the present War:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the Regulations contained in the Schedule annexed hereto, with effect for the periods defined therein.

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

"SCHEDULE.

"1. Permanent and Temporary Officers, except those signed on Articles T.124 and its variants, may, at the discretion of the Admiralty, be borne on Ships Books for full-pay sick leave for a period not exceeding 12 months when the disability or sickness is certified to be