

due to causes beyond the Officer's own control, provided that there be a reasonable probability of return to duty.

"2. No Naval or Marine Officer below the rank or relative rank of Flag Officer, who is temporarily unemployed, but has a definite liability for further active service, to be discharged to non-effective pay or to shore without pay, as the case may be, except:—

(a) after the maximum period of full-pay sick leave has been exhausted, and

(b) when unemployed at his own request, or owing to misconduct, or to refusal of employment, or to disability due to causes within his own control.

"3. Officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines placed on half pay under the preceding Regulation to receive, if more beneficial to them than the rate of half pay prescribed under existing Regulations, half pay of 5s. a day.

"4. Hospital stoppages in no case to be enforced against Marine Officers on full pay in cases of injury or sickness attributable to military service whether in the field or otherwise.

"5. These Regulations shall have effect, at the discretion of the Admiralty, as regards Clause 1 from the 1st October, 1917, until a date not exceeding 12 months after the cessation of Hostilities, as regards Clauses 2 and 3 from the 1st October, 1917, until the conclusion of Hostilities, and as regards Clause 4 from the 1st March, 1918, until a date not exceeding 18 months after the cessation of Hostilities."

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.

Almeric FitzRoy.

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 15th day of July, 1918, 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 the Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve Act, 1863, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that the Admiralty may enrol Officers of Reserve to the Royal Navy under and subject to such Rules, Orders and Regulations as the Admiralty may, with the consent of Your Majesty in Council, from time to time establish:

"And whereas by the Regulations for the Royal Naval Reserve (Officers) it is provided

that Royal Naval Reserve Officers of or below the rank of Commander shall, when employed on Navigating Duties in Your Majesty's Fleet, receive an allowance of 4s. or 2s. 6d. a day, according to their Rank and Mercantile Marine Qualifications:—

"And whereas we consider that certain service in the Royal Navy should also be allowed to count towards the qualifying service for such Allowances:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to approve of the present Regulations as to the payment of Navigating Allowance being amplified as follows:—

(1) Royal Naval Reserve Officers appointed for Navigating Duties who are not fully qualified under Article 101 of the Royal Naval Reserve Regulations (Officers) for the 4s. rate of Navigating Allowance, to be eligible to receive Navigating Allowance at the rate of 4s. a day provided that in each case:—

(a) The Officer's Rank is not lower than that of Lieutenant:

(b) He has served for a period of 3 years as Navigating Officer in one or more of Your Majesty's Ships:

(c) Payment of the Allowance at the rate of 4s. a day is recommended by the Commanding Officer.

(2) Royal Naval Reserve Officers who possess an Extra Master's Certificate to be allowed to count all 'Active Service' during the War towards the 3 years qualifying service required under Article 101 of the Royal Naval Reserve Regulations (Officers) for the higher rate of 4s. a day.

(3) Royal Naval Reserve Officers who are not fully qualified under Article 102 of the Royal Naval Reserve Regulations (Officers) to be allowed to count all 'Active Service' during the War towards the one year's qualifying service required for payment of Navigating Allowance at the rate of 2s. 6d. a day.

"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.

Almeric FitzRoy.

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

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Weights and Measures Act, 1904," it is (among other things) enacted that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by Order in Council, to specify new fees to be paid in respect of the verification and stamping of weights, measures, and weighing and measuring instruments, in substitution for the fees specified in the First Schedule to the Weights and Measures Act,