

Scale of Pensions and Allowances.

Rating.	Widow's Pension per Week.			Allowance for each Child dependent on the Mother per Week.
	From the Funds of Greenwich Hospital.	Supplementary Pension from Naval Funds.	Total.	
	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>
(1) Able seamen and other persons in the same category, including Marines and Marine Artillery	3 6	1 6	5 0	1 6
(2) Second class petty officers, corporals of Marines and Marine Artillery	4 0	2 0	6 0	1 6
(3) First class petty officers, sergeants of Marines and Marine Artillery	4 6	3 0	7 6	2 0
(4) Chief petty officers, colour and staff sergeants of the Marines and Marine Artillery	5 0	4 0	9 0	2 0

Rates in excess of the foregoing scale may, at the discretion of the Admiralty, be awarded in cases needing special relief.

5. If a Widow re-marry, her Pension will cease, and she will be eligible to receive a Gratuity equal to one year's pension in full discharge of all claims upon the public bounty. Allowances to children may be continued.

6. Pensions and Allowances are tenable subject to good behaviour, and are granted at the discretion of the Admiralty. They cannot be claimed as a right. Any assignment, sale, or contract relating to a Pension or Allowance is void.

7. If a Mother die, or children be removed from a Mother's control on account of her misconduct (see paragraph 6), the allowances in respect of the Children may be paid at twice the normal rates (see paragraph 4); or provision may be made for the maintenance of the Children in a benevolent institution.

8. If a Widow be in receipt of parish relief, in respect either of herself or her family, the payment of the Pension or Allowance may be suspended. In no case will the Pension or Allowance be paid to the parish authorities.

9. Widows will be required to make a declaration quarterly or whenever it may be considered necessary, before a duly authorised person, as to their continued widowhood, and of any particulars required in reference to their families. (Forms for this purpose will be supplied.)

10. Boys above 14 and girls above 16 will, as a rule, be ineligible for Allowances.

11. If the claim of a Widow to a Pension be not established before her death, the amount of the Pension to which she would have been entitled if living will not be allowed to her representatives.

12. These Regulations apply only from the first July one thousand nine hundred and three.

13. In the event of men specified in paragraphs 1 and 2 not leaving Widows or Children, but leaving Parents or other Relatives dependent upon them, Gratuities not exceeding one year's full wages may be given at the discretion of the Admiralty to such Parents or Relatives, provided the total expenditure in such Gratuities shall not

exceed in any one year the sum of five hundred pounds.

NOTE.—Widows of Coast Guard Men entitled to Civil Pensions are excepted from these Regulations.

And whereas the provisions of section one of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

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.

A. W. FITZROY.

CROWN OFFICE, October 15, 1903.

The King has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, dated the 9th instant, to appoint the Right Honourable Arthur James Balfour, the Right Honourable Joseph Austen Chamberlain, Ailwyn Edward Fellowes, Esq., commonly called the Honourable Ailwyn Edward Fellowes, Henry William Forster, Esq., and David Alexander Edward Lindsay, commonly called Lord Balcarras, to be Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

FOREIGN OFFICE, August 13, 1903.

The King has been graciously pleased to appoint Charles Edward Wolfe Stringer, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Chiangmai, including Lakon, Lamphoonchi, Muang Nan, Muang Thon, Phré, Raheng, Sawanakaloke and Sokotai, Tern and Utaradit and Pichai.

FOREIGN OFFICE, September 17, 1903.

The King has been graciously pleased to appoint William Alfred Rae Wood, Esq., to be His Majesty's Vice-Consul for the Districts of Pailin, Nawong, and Chantaboon.