(b) A Pension of £100 a year, commencing 12 months after the date of the loss or injury.

(c) No Officer who loses the sight of both eyes as the result of injuries received in action to be awarded less than £225 a year in all.

WARRANT OFFICERS.

(a) A Gratuity of £200 for the first year, and

(b) A Pension of £75 a year commencing 12 months after the date of the loss or injury.

(c) No Officer who loses the sight of both eyes as the result of injuries received in action to be awarded less than £175 a year in all.

II.—OTHERWISE THAN IN ACTION.

Commissioned Warrant Officers and Warrant Officers to receive Pensions of £75 and £50 a year respectively, commencing from the date of the loss or injury.

The above Rates of Pensions to apply to Noncombatant Officers, according to relative rank, to Marine Warrant Officers, Class I, and to Coast Guard Officers: Divisional Chief Officers of Coast Guard, and Chief Officers, Permanent Cruiser Service, ranking for this purpose as Commissioned Warrant Officers, and Chief Officers of Stations and late in charge of Batteries, together with Senior Mates and Second Mates of the Permanent Cruiser Service, ranking as Warrant Officers.

The awards to be governed by similar rules to those laid down for Commissioned and Subordinate Officers in the Order in Council of the 29th February 1916.

Men granted Acting Warrant Rank and Officers with Acting Rank on the Permanent, Temporary, or Reserve Lists to be dealt with as if they were confirmed in the Acting Rank.

QUARTERMASTERS, R.M., DISABILITY PENSIONS, &c.

If on the Permanent List—as laid down in the Army Regulations (vide Section A (3) of Order in Council, 29th February 1916).

If on the Reserve or Temporary List—on the scale laid down in Section B of Order in Council, 29th February 1916.

Wounds, &c., Pensions, &c.

Whether on the Permanent, Reserve, or Temporary List—on the scale laid down in Order in Council, 29th February 1916."

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.

Privy Council Office, Dublin Castle, 29th January 1917.

At a Meeting of the Privy Council held this day in the Council Chamber, Dublin Castle, the Right Honourable Mr. Justice Wylie and the Right Honourable Mr. Justice Pim were

sworn Lords Justices for the Government of Ireland during the absence of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant.

E. O'FARRELL.

Whitehall, January 30, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Viscount of the said United Kingdom upon the Right Honourable Weetman Dickinson, Baron Cowdray, President of the Air Board, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Viscount Cowdray, of Cowdray, in the county of Sussex.

Whitehall, January 30, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon Sir John Alexander Dewar, Baronet, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Baron Forteviot, of Dupplin, in the county of Perth.

Whitehall, January 30, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon Sir Thomas Roe, Knight, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of Baron Roe, of the borough of Derby.

Whitehall, January 30, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baron of the said United Kingdom upon Sir Edward Partington, Knight, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style, and title of Baron Doverdale, of Westwood Park, in the county of Worcester.

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, 30th January 1917.

The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Decoration of the Albert Medal of the Second Class upon Mr. Joseph Conolly, Third Engineer of the steamship "Vanellus," of Cork.

The following is an account of the services in respect of which the Decoration has been conferred:—

On the 1st October 1916, the steamship "Vanellus," of Cork, struck a mine in Havre