

issued hitherto, whether by us or in accordance with the law in force in the Dominion of Canada, may be deemed to have been issued for service in Your Majesty's Fleet as above defined."

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 28th day of June 1920.

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 9th day of June 1920, 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 Your Majesty's Order in Council, dated the 22nd day of January 1920, it was enacted, *inter alia*, that an allowance of 2s. 6d. per diem should be paid to Surgeon Lieutenants, Surgeon Lieutenant-Commanders, and Surgeon Commanders who have specialised in certain professional subjects, provided in the case of Surgeon Commanders that they are not appointed solely for such specialist duties and that the number of such officers to whom the said allowance is payable at any one time is limited to 44, in the following proportion :—

Anæsthetists	not to exceed	6
Ophthalmology	" "	13
Ear and Throat	" "	13
Genito-Urinary and Venereal	" "	6
Physical Training	" "	6

"And whereas we are of opinion that the said allowance should also be payable to Officers who have specialised in Bacteriology and Pathology, and that the number of Officers to whom the said allowance is payable at any one time should be increased to 46 and should not be confined to any particular number in any particular subject provided the total number of 46 is not exceeded :

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the payment of an allowance of 2s. 6d. per diem to Surgeon Lieutenants, Surgeon Lieutenant-Commanders, and Surgeon Commanders who have specialised in professional subjects as indicated below, pro-

vided that the said allowance is not paid to more than 46 Officers at any one time and, in the case of Surgeon Commanders, that they are not appointed solely for such specialist duties :—

Anæsthetists.
Ophthalmology.
Ear and Throat.
Genito-Urinary and Venereal.
Physical Training.
Bacteriology.
Pathology.

"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 28th day of June 1920.

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 16th day of June 1920, 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 Your Majesty was graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, bearing date the 19th day of July 1912, to approve of the institution of the rank of Mate with a view to the advancement of Warrant Officers and Petty Officers to Commissioned Rank at an earlier age than was possible under previous regulations :

"And whereas by Your Majesty's Order in Council, dated 21st January 1914, sanction was given, *inter alia*, for Acting Mates (E), failing to qualify for confirmation as Mate (E), to be regarded as eligible for promotion to Artificer Engineer, irrespective of qualifying service, if not already holding that rank :

"And whereas we are of opinion that it is desirable that promotion from the Lower Deck to Commissioned Rank should be obtainable at an earlier age than is at present possible, in order that Officers so promoted may have fuller opportunity of reaching high rank in Your Majesty's Service ; and further that any Acting Mates (E), not promoted from Warrant Rank, who revert to their former ratings after failing to qualify for confirmation for the rank of Mate (E), should be required to fulfil the same conditions for pro-