

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 17th day of December 1924.

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 December 1924 (C.W. 8933/24), in the words following, viz.:—

“Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pension 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 30th day of November 1915, to approve of those Seamen Pensioners and Royal Marine Pensioners who were called upon to serve during the Great War and who were promoted to Acting, Temporary or Permanent Warrant or Commissioned Rank during such service, being allowed, on reversion to the pension list, to draw, under certain

conditions, in lieu of their man's pension, the regulated retired pay calculated on their actual service as Officers, if to their advantage:

“And whereas certain pensioner Warrant Officers and ratings of Your Majesty's Navy and pensioner Warrant Officers and ranks of Your Majesty's Marine Force were transferred to the Army during the Great War, and were promoted to Temporary Commissions in the Army while serving therein:

“And whereas we consider that such Officers should similarly be granted retired pay on the Officers' scale, and that for the purpose of assessment of the rates of retired pay, service in the Army should be reckoned as service in the Royal Navy or in the Royal Marine Force respectively subject to the conditions hereinafter prescribed:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the following proposals:—

“(1) Pensioner Warrant Officers and ratings of the Royal Navy and pensioner Warrant Officers and ranks of the Royal Marines, granted temporary commissions in the Army during the Great War, if they have not been discharged for misconduct, &c., to receive, in lieu of the pensions previously awarded, retired pay on the following scale:—

Rank in Army.	Maximum.	Minimum.	Addition.
Lieutenant or any higher rank.	£300	£250	£6 for each complete year's service in these ranks up to 7 years; £8 for the eighth year.
Second Lieutenant	£250	£200	£5 for each complete year's service in the rank.

“(2) Awards of retired pay under this Order to have effect from the 1st April 1919, or from the day following the day of ceasing pay in the Army, whichever is the later:

“(3) Service in the rank of Captain or above to count as though it were service in the rank of Lieutenant, and not to entitle an Officer to a higher rate of retired pay than that provided in the above scale:

“(4) Officers who have been granted war gratuities on the Temporary Officers' scale to be required to refund the difference between such gratuities and those granted to permanent Officers:

“(5) The rates of Retired Pay hereby authorised are to be regarded as standard rates comparable with those authorised in

Schedule V., Section IX. of the Order in Council dated the 22nd January 1920, and to be subject to revision at the same dates and in the same manner as retired pay authorised by that Order.

“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.

M. P. A. HANKEY.

Whitehall, 1st December 1924.

The KING has been graciously pleased to ordain and declare that Pether Hotham, John David Hotham, Eleanor Ethel Hotham, Elizabeth Dulcie Hotham and Catherine Muriel Hotham, sons and daughters of the late Henry Edward Hotham, Esquire, shall henceforth have, hold and enjoy the same title, rank, place, pre-eminence and precedence as

the sons and daughters of a Baron, to which they would have been entitled had their father, the said Henry Edward Hotham, Esquire, survived his kinsman, Frederick William, Baron Hotham, and thereby succeeded to the title and dignity of Baron Hotham.

And to Command that the said Order and Declaration be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.