

ment an Officer or man to be paid the amount of gratuity earned by service at the time of discharge, unless discharged for misconduct or at his own request free or by purchase; the Admiralty to have power at their discretion to award a reduced gratuity to any officer or man who may be invalided for causes within his own control.

" In the event of an officer's or man's death while serving the amount of the gratuity earned to the date of death to be credited to his estate.

" SCHEDULE. II.

" (1) Personnel who joined the Coastguard (New Force) on or after the 1st May 1919, to be allowed to serve until the age of 55 in the case of Chief Officers, or Divisional or Senior Chief Officers, and 50 in the case of men, in any part of the United Kingdom to which they may from time to time be appointed, provided that their services are so long required, and to be borne on the books of one of the ships belonging to His Majesty's Fleet, and so to be subject to the disciplinary laws and regulations of the Royal Navy, and to be bound to accept and observe such other regulations as are contained in the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions and any other orders which may from time to time be issued.

" (2) Officers and men who were discharged from the Royal Naval Coast Guard Service on the 31st March 1923, with compensation under the provisions of the Order in Council dated the 16th April 1924, and who have been required to refund such compensation in whole or in part on being re-entered in the Royal Naval Coastguard Service, if their services are again dispensed with for reasons other than misconduct, invaliding, death, or their own request (free or by purchase), before the age of 55 in the case of Senior Chief Officers or Chief Officers, or the age of 50 in the case of Petty Officers and men, to be eligible for the usual gratuity on discharge provided for in Schedule I. of this Order in respect of such part of their pensioner service as shall have been served in the Royal Naval Coastguard under 'New Force' conditions, or in the Royal Naval Shore Signal Service, and in addition to a special gratuity calculated as follows:—

" (a) If, not being pensioners on their discharge from the Royal Naval Coastguard Service on the 31st March 1923, they received compensation under the provisions of Schedule A of the Order in Council dated the 16th April 1924, in the form of pension for service prior to that date and a gratuity for the curtailment of their careers, they shall be eligible for a gratuity bearing the same proportion to the gratuity paid to them on their discharge from the Royal Naval Coastguard Service as the period by which their careers are finally curtailed bears to the period by which their careers would have been curtailed if they had not re-entered the Royal Naval Coastguard Service.

" (b) If, being pensioners on their discharge from the Royal Naval Coastguard Service on the 31st March 1923, they received compensation under Schedule B of the Order in Council dated the 16th April

1924, in the form of a gratuity for service prior to that date and a further gratuity for the curtailment of their careers they shall be eligible for a gratuity bearing the same proportion to the further gratuity then paid to them as the period by which their careers are finally curtailed bears to the period by which their careers would have been curtailed if they had not re-entered the Royal Naval Coastguard Service.

" Officers and men thus compensated will not be entitled to any pay in lieu of notice.

" SCHEDULE III.

" In the case of personnel joining the Royal Naval Shore Signal Service hereafter Chief Officers and Senior Chief Officers to be allowed to serve until the age of 55, provided that their services are so long required, and men to serve under Naval non-continuous service engagements for a period not exceeding five years, provided that their services are so long required, in any part of the United Kingdom to which they may from time to time be appointed, and such Officers and men to be borne on the books of one of the ships belonging to His Majesty's Fleet, and so to be subject to the disciplinary laws and regulations of the Royal Navy, as well as bound to accept and observe such other regulations as are contained in the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions and any other orders which may, from time to time, be issued."

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.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 26th day of May 1925.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council made on the 3rd day of May 1882, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 60 of the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862 (25 and 26 Vic. Cap. 63) (hereinafter called "the Act of 1862"), Her Majesty was pleased to direct that the ships of Hayti, the certificates of Haitian nationality and registry, or the certificates of measurement, of which, were dated on or after the 26th day of January, 1882, should be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in the said certificates of Haitian nationality and registry or certificates of measurement:

And whereas by Sub-Section (1) Section 745 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vic. Cap. 60) (hereinafter called "the Act of 1894"), the Act of 1862 was repealed, but it was provided that any Order in Council made under the Act of 1862 should continue