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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1928.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 1st day of November 1928.

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 22nd day of October 1928 (C.W. 5650 28), 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, or to the widow or any relative of a deceased Officer, Seaman or Marine, 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, under various Orders in Council, provision is made for the payment of gratuities to Officers of Your Majesty's Naval and Marine Forces on retirement or discharge, and of allowances to the children and brothers and sisters of deceased Officers:

"And whereas we consider it undesirable, as a general rule, that these gratuities and allowances should be paid direct to persons under the age of 21 years:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to authorize us, at our discretion, to pay such gratuities and allow-

ances to the parent or guardian of the Officer or child, or to such other person as we may think fit."

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 1st day of November 1928.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section 659 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (which is a Section in Part XI. of that Act), it is (among other things) enacted that His Majesty may, by Order in Council, fix the establishments to be maintained by each of the General Lighthouse Authorities, on account of the services of light-houses, buoys and beacons, or the annual or other sums to be paid out of the Mercantile Marine Fund in respect of these establishments, and that an increase of any establishment or part of an establishment so fixed shall not be made without the consent of the Board of Trade:

And whereas by Section 1 of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, it is (among other things) provided that