

to be white, laced, as at present, with a crown over an anchor on the button.

Captains and Commanders are both to wear two epaulettes, of the same pattern as at present, with only the following distinctions :

The epaulettes of Captains three years post; to have an addition of a silver crown over a silver anchor.

The epaulettes of Captains under three years post, to have the silver anchor without the crown.

The epaulettes of Commanders to be plain.

Lieutenants of His Majesty's fleet to wear a dress uniform of the same pattern as Captains and Commanders, but without any lace, and with one plain epaulette (similar to that now worn by Captains and Commanders) on the right shoulder; buttons of the same pattern as for Captains.

The undress or frock uniform of Captains, Commanders, and Lieutenants, to be the same as at present worn by Captains and Commanders, with the addition of the epaulettes and button, which are to be worn the same as in the full dress.

The whole of the Commissioned Officers of His Majesty's Fleet to have the linings of their dressed uniforms, white. The Flag Officers only, to have the linings of their dressed uniforms, *white silk*.

Masters'-Mates and Midshipmen to wear the same uniform as at present, with the alteration of the button only, which is to be of the same pattern as that of the Captains and Lieutenants.

Their Lordships do hereby give notice thereof to all Flag Officers, Captains, Commanders, Lieutenants, Masters'-Mates, and Midshipmen, and require and direct them strictly to conform thereto. The said alterations being to take effect generally on the 12th August, 1812; but such Officers of the Royal Navy as may have occasion before that period to make up new uniforms, are at liberty to have them made up according to the new patterns.

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N. B. The several patterns may be seen at this Office.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT OF PAY AND HALF-PAY FOR NAVY CHAPLAINS.

Admiralty-Office, March 9, 1812.

THE Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, do hereby give notice, that His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been graciously pleased, by His Order in Council of the 4th instant, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to direct, that the following regulations, in respect to the half-pay or pension to be allowed to Chaplains of His Majesty's Fleet, after long and meritorious service, as well as the pay and allowances during the period of such servitude, shall be established in future, viz.

First.—“ That every ship in His Majesty's Navy, from a first to a fifth rate inclusive, shall be allowed a Chaplain on her establishment.”

Secondly.—“ That every Chaplain after eight years of actual sea service, (or if in a guard-ship, ten years,) during which period he shall not have been absent from his duty six weeks at any one time, except by special leave from the Board of

Admiralty, and who shall produce certificates of good conduct and moral behaviour from the Captains he may have served under, shall be entitled to a pension in the nature of half-pay; but no Chaplain to be entitled to half-pay or pension if he shall accept any preferment with cure of souls during the term of his required service at sea.”

Thirdly.—“ That the amount of this pension or half-pay to each Chaplain shall be five shillings per day.”

Fourthly.—“ That if in the event of a peace, or from other circumstances not depending on himself, a Chaplain shall not have been able to complete the full servitude of eight years, a pension may be conferred by the Board of Admiralty, according to a scale to be determined on, proportionate to the term of service; in no case, however, to be granted for less than three years service at sea.”

Fifthly.—“ That on the expiration of the period of eight (or ten) years, as the case may be, every Chaplain shall give notice in writing, whether it is his intention to continue to serve or not; in the first case, every year's additional service shall entitle him, when placed on the pension list, to receive at the rate of sixpence a day in addition to the pension which his eight (or ten) years servitude may have entitled him to, until the aggregate rate amounts to ten shillings a day, being the greatest pension which any length of service can confer; in the second case, where no further service is intended, the pension shall remain at five shillings a day as above-mentioned.”

Sixthly.—“ That length of service and meritorious conduct shall render Chaplains eligible to all the Chaplaincies of all Naval establishments whatever, the disposal of which shall, or may be, left to the consideration of the Board of Admiralty; and that no other Clergyman shall be eligible to any of those pieces of preferment, than a Navy Chaplain; and that the presentation to any of those pieces of preferment, whose emoluments may amount to four hundred pounds per annum, shall cause the half-pay of the respective Chaplains to cease, as is provided by law in the case of the divided Living of Simonbourn.”

Seventhly.—“ That the pay of a Chaplain, while in actual service, shall be according to the following rate, viz.

“ One hundred and fifty pounds per annum, and the established compensation of 11l. 8s. a year for a servant, in each rate, and to have a cabin allotted for him, in the ward-room, or gun-room, where he is to mess with the Lieutenants and to be rated for victuals: and when the Chaplain shall be willing to act as Schoolmaster, he shall be entitled to the bounty of twenty pounds a year, granted by her late Majesty Queen Anne, by her Order in Council, of the 21st April 1702, provided he shall pass an examination before the Lieutenant-Governor, Professor, and Preceptor of the Royal Naval College at Portsmouth, instead of at the Trinity House, as required by the above-mentioned Order in Council; and he shall be further entitled to five pounds per annum, to be paid to him by every young Midshipman and Volunteer of the first class, as a remuneration for