

in the Royal Naval Reserve until he has held a Commission or Appointment as Assistant Engineer of the Reserve for one year or upwards.

4. *Honorary Commanders, Chief Engineers, Lieutenants, and Sub-Lieutenants.*

In addition to the Officers of the Reserve on the Active List there shall be a class of Honorary Officers of the Reserve not exceeding in the whole 160 in number, and of the ranks named below, viz. :—

(a.) Honorary Commanders of the Reserve not exceeding 30 in number, and consisting of Officers of the Reserve who have held Lieutenants' Commissions for not less than 5 years and who are not less than 50 years of age. Honorary Commanders of the Reserve will rank with, but after, Staff Commanders of the Royal Navy.

(b.) Honorary Chief Engineers of the Reserve not exceeding 30 in number, and consisting of Officers of the Reserve who have held Commissions as Engineers of the Reserve for not less than 10 years and who are not less than 50 years of age. They will rank with, but after, Chief Engineers of the Royal Navy.

(c.) Honorary Lieutenants and Sub-Lieutenants of the Reserve not exceeding 100 in number and consisting of ;—

(1.) For Honorary Lieutenants; Masters of Vessels actually afloat and in command, and possessing qualifications similar to the qualifications of the Lieutenants on the Active List, except that they must be above 45 years of age, and need not be in possession of Certificates of competency; and

(2.) For Honorary Lieutenants; Owners of sea-going pleasure yachts of 50 tons register or upwards, who command and act as Masters of their own yachts; and

(3.) For Honorary Lieutenants; Superintendents of Mercantile Marine Offices who have served as Masters in the Merchant Service; and

(4.) For Honorary Sub-Lieutenants; Deputy Superintendents of Mercantile Marine Offices who have served as Chief Mates, or who have attained a higher rank in the Merchant Service.

Honorary Lieutenants of the Reserve will rank with, but after, Lieutenants and Masters of the Royal Navy, and Honorary Sub-Lieutenants of the Reserve will rank with, but after, Sub-Lieutenants and Second Masters of the Royal Navy.

The Officers on the Honorary List will not be required to undergo drill, nor will they be liable to be called out for active service, except in cases of emergency, and not then, unless they have been at any time on the Active List.

6. *Promotion.*

Officers of the lower rank in the Active List will, if qualified, be eligible for promotion to the higher rank on that list, at the discretion of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Officers who, when in actual service, may, by the character or length of their service, obtain the special approbation of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, will be eligible to receive Commissions as Officers in the Royal Navy, of the same grade as that with which they may rank at the time. They will then be considered in all respects as Officers on the permanent strength of the Navy.

Officers who, whilst on actual service, shall have distinguished themselves in action with the enemy, or by the character and length of their services, will be eligible, at the conclusion of their service in the Navy, for promotion to the higher hono-

rary ranks of Commander and Captain of the Naval Reserve, at the discretion of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Officers of the Reserve who shall have displayed zeal in promoting the efficiency of the Reserve will be favourably considered for promotion, at the discretion of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

7. *Retirement.*

Officers who wish to retire from the Active List may do so at the discretion of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty on consideration of their services; either

- (1.) Without rank; or
- (2.) On the Honorary List, with the rank they may hold at the time of their retirement; or
- (3.) On the Honorary List at a higher rank.

8. *Uniform.*

Officers to wear the same uniform as Officers of corresponding rank in the Royal Navy, with the following exceptions, viz. :—

Commanders, Chief Engineers, Lieutenants, Sub-Lieutenants, and Engineers.—Instead of each stripe of half-inch lace round the sleeves of the coats there is to be a stripe formed of two waved lines of quarter-inch gold braid, intersecting each other, so as to form bands half an inch wide, the blue cloth to show between the curves.

The Engineers' Department are to be distinguished by purple velvet stripes, quarter inch wide, between the gold braid waved lines round the sleeves of the coat.

Engineers who are only entitled to one waved line, the velvet stripe is to be worn below the gold braid on the sleeves of the coat.

Assistant Engineers, one waved stripe of purple velvet, quarter inch wide, round the sleeves of the coat above the cuff, without any gold braid.

The buttons to be of the Royal Navy pattern, with the letters "R.N.R." in Old English character, surmounted by a crown.

Instead of the anchor on the epaulettes and shoulder straps respectively, there is to be a badge consisting of a silver anchor in the centre, surrounded by the words "Royal Naval Reserve" embroidered in gold.

Instead of the bullion loop on the cocked hats, the loop to be formed of two gold braids, twisted the same as for coat sleeves.

The badge for the caps to consist of a device similar to that on the epaulettes, embroidered on blue cloth and surmounted by a crown.

The plate for the sword-belt to be the same as for Officers of the Royal Navy, substituting the letters "R.N.R." for the anchor in the centre.

9. *Drill.*

Lieutenants and Sub-Lieutenants on the Active List of the Royal Naval Reserve will be required to undergo in each year a course of twenty-eight days' drill and gunnery instruction on board one of the District Drill ships, or if absent from England above a year and unable to take their drill on board a Drill Ship, they may perform it on board one of Her Majesty's ships abroad having a Gunnery Lieutenant.

But on a special report being made to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty by the Commander of such Drill or Gunnery ship in the United Kingdom, or by the Captain of such ship abroad, to the effect that a Lieutenant or Sub-Lieutenant of the Reserve is competent to instruct and drill men of the Reserve, then such