men to the higher rank of Sub-Lieutenant although not fully qualified for that rank under existing Regulations, and for the removal from the list of the Royal Naval Reserve of those Midshipmen who have either failed to obtain the Certificates in the Mercantile Marine suitable to their age, or to keep up their drills, we most humbly submit that your Majesty may be graciously pleased by your Order in Council to establish the following Regulations:—

1. Midshipmen Royal Naval Reserve who formerly passed through a course of training in the "Worcester" or "Conway," to be eligible for promotion to the rank of Sub-Lieutenant on completing 6 years' service in the Royal Naval Reserve, provided—

   (*a*) that they hold Master's or Chief Mate's certificates of competency under the Merchant Shipping Act.

   (*b*) that they are not in arrear in their drill and have obtained a Certificate from the Commander of one of the Drill Ships that they are competent to instruct and drill Men of the Royal Naval Reserve.

   (*c*) that they have followed the Sea Service as their profession throughout the time they have served as Midshipmen in the Royal Naval Reserve.

2. The names of Midshipmen who fail to obtain these qualifications for promotion at 25 years of age to be removed from the Lists of the Royal Naval Reserve, except in any special case to be judged by us, where prolonged service abroad is the cause of the failure to qualify under these Regulations.

Her Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her 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.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 28th day of *June*, 1880.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the first session of the Parliament holden in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to abridge the holding "of benefices in plurality, and to make better "provision for the residence of the clergy," after reciting that "Whereas in some instances, tithings, "hamlets, chapelries, and other places or districts "may be separated from the parishes or mother "churches to which they belong, with great "advantage, and places altogether extra-parochial "may in some instances with advantage be "annexed to parishes or districts to which they are "contiguous, or be constituted separate parishes "for ecclesiastical purposes," it is, amongst other things, enacted "That when with respect to "his own diocese it shall appear to the Archbishop of the Province, or when the Bishop of "any diocese shall represent to the said Archbishop that any such tithing, hamlet, chapelry, "place or district within the diocese of such Archbishop, or the diocese of such Bishop, as the "case may be, may be advantageously separated "from any parish or mother church, and either be "constituted a separate benefice by itself or be "united to any other parish to which it may be "more conveniently annexed, or to any other "adjoining tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or "district, parochial or extra-parochial, so as to "form a separate parish or benefice, or that "any extra-parochial place may with advantage "be annexed to any parish to which it "is contiguous, or be constituted a separate "parish for ecclesiastical purposes; and the said "Archbishop or Bishop shall draw up a scheme "in writing (the scheme of such Bishop to be "transmitted to the said Archbishop for his "consideration) describing the mode in which it "appears to him that the alteration may best be "effected, and how the changes consequent on "such alteration in respect to ecclesiastical jurisdiction, glebe lands, tithes, rent-charges, and "other ecclesiastical dues, rates, and payments, "and in respect to patronage and rights to pews, "may be made with justice to all parties "interested; and if the patron or patrons of the "benefice or benefices to be affected by such "alteration shall consent in writing under his or "their hands to such scheme, or to such modification thereof as the said Archbishop may "approve, and the said Archbishop shall, on full "consideration and enquiry, be satisfied with any "such scheme, or modification thereof, and shall "certify the same and such consent as aforesaid, "by his report to Her Majesty in Council, it shall "be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to make "an Order for carrying such scheme, or modification thereof, as the case may be, into effect."

And whereas the Lord Bishop of Salisbury hath made a representation in writing to his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury in the words and figures following that is to say:—

"To the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Father in God Archibald Campbell by Divine Providence Lord Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury Primate of all England and Metropolitan.

"I George by Divine permission Bishop of Salisbury do in pursuance of the 26th section of the Act of Parliament of the 1st and 2nd years of the reign of Her present Majesty cap. 106 hereby represent to your Grace that there is in the county of Dorset in my diocese of Salisbury the rectory of Melbury Osmond with the rectory of Melbury Sampford annexed.

"In the same county and diocese is the rectory of Frome St. Quinton with Evershot annexed. The parish or chapelry of Evershot aforesid lies adjoining to the said parish of Melbury Sampford.

"That it appears to me that a certain district of the said parish of Melbury Sampford which immediately adjoins the said parish or chapelry of Evershot may under the provisions of the said Act of the 1st and 2nd Victoria chapter 106 and of the Act of the 2nd and 3rd years of the same reign chapter 49 be advantageously separated from the said parish of Melbury Sampford and united to the said parish or chapelry of Evershot.

"That the Right Honourable Henry Edward Earl of Ilchester is the patron of both of the said benefices of Melbury Osmond with Melbury Sampford and Frome St. Quinton with Evershot.

"That the Reverend Robert Bradley Roe is the present incumbent of the parish of Melbury Osmond with Melbury Sampford and the Reverend Frederick Douglas How is the present incumbent of the benefice of Frome St. Quinton with Evershot.

"That pursuant to the directions contained in the 26th section of the first mentioned Act of Parliament I the said Bishop have drawn up a scheme in writing appended to this representation describing the district of the parish of Melbury