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Foreign Office, November 25, 1886.

THE Earl of Iddesleigh, G.C.B., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received a Despatch, dated the 14th of October, from the British Vice-Consul at Santo Domingo, stating that the blockade of the port of Monte Christi has been raised, since the 8th of October, by the Dominican Government.

A T the Court at Windsor, the 10th day of November, 1886.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council-

HEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the fifth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, in the words following, viz.:

"Whereas we have had under our consideration the question of continuing to grant Pensions to the Widows of Officers of Your Majesty's Navy, and Compassionate Allowances to their children, in cases in which the marriages take place after the retirement of the Officers from the Active List.

"And whereas we are of opinion that the regulations in regard to the privileges in question should be modified.

"We do therefore beg leave to recommend that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to direct, as regards future marriages of Naval Officers, that the Widows and Children of the Officers in question shall not be eligible for the grant of Pensions and Compassionate Allowances unless the marriages take place during the time the Officers are borne on the Active List. This Regulation to apply only to Officers now on the Active List, or who may be placed thereon subsequently to the date hereof, and in no way to affect the claims in respect of Officers already retired."

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.

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- "Aud whereas we are humbly of opinion that time spent by such Officers on the Retired List should not be operative either for creating or for increasing pension rights.
- "We do therefore beg leave to recommend that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to direct that Art. 2067 of the Regulations for the government of Your Majesty's Navy shall be modified so that, as regards future marriages, Service on the Active List only shall reckon as qualifying time for the privileges in question. The alterations in question to apply only in respect of Officers now on the Active List or placed thereon subsequently to the date hereof; and in no way to affect the claims in respect of Officers already retired.
- "We would, however, recommend that Your Majesty will be pleased to provide that the special rate of pension applicable to the rank of Paymaster-in-Chief may still be awarded to Widows of those Officers, the rank of Paymaster-in-Chief being only obtainable at the time of their retirement."

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