acter, at a date six months prior to the outbreak of hostilities.

- (2) In the case of casual labourers engaged for Fleet coaling afloat pay shall be deemed to be the normal wages of an ordinary unskilled labourer at the place of engagement at a date six months prior to the outbreak of hostilities.
- (3) In all other cases pay shall be computed in such manner as is best calculated to give the rate at which the person was being remunerated during the year preceding 3rd August, 1914, provided that when it is impracticable to compute pay in such manner, pay shall be taken to be such amount as the Admiralty or Army Council may determine, having regard to the amount of the earnings of persons in similar employment during the same year.
- "Limitation of Benefits in the case of Persons entitled to Compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Acts, or to the Benefits of the Civil Superannuation and Greenwich Hospital Acts.
- "No person who is eligible to benefit under this Scheme shall lose by virtue thereof any gratuity or other superannuation allowance for which he may be eligible by service under the Superannuation Acts, 1834 to 1909, but

persons entitled to any compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, or to any compensation or damages at Common Law or under the Employer's Liability Act, 1880, or under the Greenwich Hospital Acts, 1865 to 1898, or any other statute, or eligible for any gratuity or allowance in respect of injury under Section 1 of the Superannuation Act, 1887, shall be entitled to benefit under this scheme only to the extent of the difference, if any, between the value of the benefits it confers and the value of such other benefits as they may be entitled to under the said Acts, provided, however, that no person shall receive as the result of this scheme a total sum in excess of his pay at the date of the injury.

"Interpretation of the Scheme.

"In the event of any question arising on the interpretation or administration of this scheme, the decision of the Admiralty or Army. Council thereon shall be final."

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.

Almeric FitzRoy.

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING GENERAL OR FIELD OFFICERS TO ISSUE REQUISITIONS OF EMERGENCY.

(UNDER THE ARMY ACT, SEC. 115.)

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS by Section 115 of the Army Act it is amongst other things enacted that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by Order distinctly stating that a case of emergency exists, and signified by a Secretary of State, to authorize any General or Field Officer Commanding His Majesty's Regular Forces in any military district or place in the United Kingdom to issue a Requisition of Emergency under his hand, requiring Justices of the Peace to issue warrants for the provision, for the purposes mentioned in the Requisition, of carriages, animals, vessels, aircraft, food, forage and stores of every description, as prescribed by the said Act:

AND WHEREAS it is further enacted by the said Act that, whenever a proclamation ordering the Army Reserve to be called out on permanent service or an Order for the embodiment of the Militia is in force, His Majesty's Order may authorize such Officers to extend such Requisitions to the provision of carriages, animals, vessels, aircraft, food, forage and stores of every description, for the purpose of being purchased, as well as of being hired, on His Majesty's behalf:

AND WHEREAS a proclamation ordering the Army Reserve to be called out on permanent service is in force:

AND WHEREAS a case of emergency exists within the meaning of the said Act:

Now, THEREFORE, His Majesty, in pursuance of the said Act is pleased to order and authorize any General or Field Officer Commanding the Regular Forces in any military district or place in the United Kingdom to issue Requisitions of Emergency under the said Act and to extend such Requisitions as by the said Act authorized.

The Tenth day of August, 1914.

KITCHENER.