At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 21st day of September, 1914.

## PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

W HEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 15th day of September, 1914, in the words following, viz. :---"Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and

"Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions, or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an officer, seaman, or marine therein, shall be paid in such manner, and subject to such restrictions, conditions, and provisions, as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

"And whereas we consider it desirable that an improvement should be made in the scale of retired pay of Quartermasters in Your Majesty's Corps of Royal Marines:

Majesty's Corps of Royal Marines: "We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the grant to Quartermasters, Royal Marines, who attain the rank of Major, of an addition to their existing retired pay calculated at the rate of £10 for each complete year during which they serve or may have served in the rank of Major, either on the General Staff or as First Quartermaster of a Royal Marine Division or Depôt, subject to the provision that the total amount of retired pay shall not in any case exceed £250 a year; this proposal only to apply to officers retired on or after the 14th day of August, 1914. "The Lords Commissioners of Your

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in this proposal."

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.

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WHEREAS by section 659 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, (which is a section in Part XI. of that Act, and which reenacts similar provisions, by the said Act repealed, of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854), it is (among other things) enacted that His Majesty may by Order in Council fix the establishments. to be maintained by each of the General Lighthouse Authorities on account of the services of lighthouses, buoys and beacons, or the annual or other sums to be paid out of the Mercantile Marine Fund in respect of these establishments, and that an increase of any establishment or part of an establishment so fixed shall not be made without the consent of the Board of Trade:

And whereas by section 1 of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, it is (among other things) provided that references in Part XI. of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, to the Mercantile Marine Fund shall be construed as references to the General Lighthouse Fund by the now reciting Act constituted:

And whereas His late Majesty by Order in Council dated the 16th day of February, 1903, and His Majesty by Order in Council dated the 16th day of December, 1911, were pleased to fix the establishment which might be maintained by the Corporation of Trinity House, Deptford Strond, and the amount of the salaries to be paid to the Officers of the said establishment:

And whereas it is expedient that the said Orders in Council should be varied in manner hereinafter appearing:

And whereas it has been made to appear to His Majesty that the Board of Trade have consented to such variation:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in Him by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and of any other powers Him thereunto enabling, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, is pleased to fix as follows, that is to say:—

(1) From the date of this Order the number of Lower Grade Clerks on the establishment of the Corporation of Trinity House shall be increased to five;

(2) The maximum salary payable to the said Lower Grade Clerks shall be increased from £250 per annum to £300 per annum, by annual increments of £10, and subject thereto the salary of Mr. Robert Sindall, Lower Grade Clerk on the establishment of the Corporation of the Trinity House, shall be increased to £270 per annum as from the 25th June, 1914.

(3) The salary of Lower Grade Clerks appointed to the said establishment after the date of this Order shall be  $\pounds 70$  per annum, rising by annual increments of  $\pounds 7$  10s. until the salary reaches  $\pounds 130$  per annum, and thereafter by annual increments of  $\pounds 10$  until the maximum salary of  $\pounds 300$  per annum has been reached;

Provided that no increment of salary beyond  $\pounds 200$  shall be allowed without a Report in writing by the Secretary or such Officer as he may designate for the purpose to the effect that such clerk is competent to perform efficiently the highest duties ordinarily assigned to Lower Grade Clerks;

(4) The allowance of £10 per annum paid under paragraph 2 of the Order in Council of the 16th day of February, 1903, to those Lower Grade Clerks who were on the establishment of the Trinity House on the 30th day of September, 1902, and who have not been promoted shall cease in the case of each of such clerks upon their reaching the salary of £300 per annum.

And His Majesty, by virtue and in further exercise of the powers so vested in Him as aforesaid, and by and with the advice aforesaid, is further pleased to order and doth hereby order that the salaries payable under the provisions of this Order shall be paid out of the General Lighthouse Fund.

Almeric FitzRoy.