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TUESDAY, 30 JANUARY, 1917.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*; the 24th day of *January*, 1917.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 17th day of January, 1917, in the words following, viz.:—

“Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions, and 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 have had under consideration Chapter LII of the Regulations for the Government of Your Majesty's Naval Service wherein are laid down the Scales of Pensions and Gratuities which may be awarded for wounds and injuries received ‘in action’ or ‘not in action’:

“And whereas we are of opinion that Quartermasters, Royal Marines, should be

eligible for Disability and Wounds Pensions, under the Regulations for Commissioned Officers:

“And whereas we are of opinion that, having regard to the circumstances of the present Hostilities, it is desirable to fix minimum Pensions and Gratuities for Commissioned Warrant and Warrant Officers of the Navy, Coast Guard, Marines and Reserves, wounded or injured during the period of the War, as has already been done in the case of Commissioned and Subordinate Officers:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the following Regulations.

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

“REGULATIONS.

“Commissioned Warrant Officers and Warrant Officers on the Permanent, Supplementary, or Temporary Lists, of the Navy, Coast Guard, Marines, and Reserves, who, during the present War, have lost, or may lose, an eye or a limb, or the use of an eye or a limb, or have received, or may receive, an injury equivalent, or nearly equivalent thereto, to be eligible, at the discretion of the Admiralty, for