

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 5th day of *February*, 1918.

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 21st day of January, 1918, 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, 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 provision was made by His late Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd October, 1906, and Your Majesty's Orders in Council bearing dates the 11th day of April, 1913, and 26th day of October, 1914, for the payment of the following Allowances to Signal Officers, viz. :—

1. An allowance of 3s. or 4s. a day, according to qualification, to Signal Officers (new system) when actually borne for the performance of their special duties, subject to the condition that, if the Officer is appointed to the Staff of a Flag-Officer and messes with the Admiral, his Specialist Allowance should be reduced by 2s. a day.

2. An allowance of 2s. 6d. a day to Flag Lieutenant-Commanders and Flag Lieutenants borne for Signalling duties, and to Signal Officers (old system) borne for duty in the Fleet, provided they do not mess with the Flag Officer :

"And whereas by Your Majesty's Order in Council bearing date the 10th day of June, 1915, it is provided that Commanders appointed for Gunnery or Torpedo duties during hostilities should receive Specialist Allowance at the rate to which they were entitled prior to promotion :

"And whereas we consider that the payment of Specialist Allowance to Signal Officers should be governed by the same general conditions as the payment of Allowances to other Specialist Officers :

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to approve the following proposals, with effect as from the 3rd day of January, 1918 :—

(a) Signal Allowance at the appropriate rates to be paid to all Signal Officers who are actually borne for the performance of their Specialist Duties, either ashore or afloat, and without being subject to deduction or stoppage when the Officer is messes with the Flag Officer.

(b) Commanders who are borne for Signal Duties to receive, during the War, continued payment of the Allowance payable to them before promotion.

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

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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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 24th day of January, 1918, 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, 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 that, in the event of an Engineer-Commander remaining in the same appointment on promotion to Engineer-Captain, he should continue in receipt of any Allowances he was receiving in the lower rank :

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the continued payment of such Allowances for so long as the Officer continues to hold the same appointment, with effect as from the 1st day of November, 1917.

"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.

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The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.
Lord President.
Lord Chamberlain.
Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.
Sir Frederick Ponsonby.

WHEREAS by treaty, grant, usage, sufferance, and other lawful means His Majesty the King has jurisdiction in China :

And whereas it is desirable to make provision for the control of shipbuilding by persons subject to such jurisdiction during the continuance of the present war, and for such further period as the national interests may require :

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and