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FRIDAY, 3 MAY, 1918.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 27th day of *April*, 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Naval Agency and Distribution Act, 1864, it is provided that money distributable among the Officers and Crews of any of His Majesty's Ships of War in respect of Awards made in the several cases therein mentioned, so far as full provision respecting the distribution thereof is not made by or under any Act of Parliament other than that Act, shall be distributed under the direction of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty in the shares in that behalf specified in any Royal Proclamation or Order in Council:

And whereas His Majesty was pleased, by an Order in Council dated the 24th October, 1916, to authorize the distribution under the direction of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty of all Prize Bounty, also the net proceeds of Captures and Seizures under the several Acts of Parliament passed relating to the Revenues of Customs, and to Trade and Navigation, for the Abolition of the Slave Trade, for the Capture and Destruction of Pirates and Piratical Vessels, and of the Rewards conferred for the same, and also of the Awards for all salvage granted to the Crews

of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels of War, when not otherwise specially apportioned by the Terms of the respective Awards and Allowances, and all other Moneys whatsoever granted to be shared among the Officers and Crews of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the manner of Prize Money, except those arising from Prize of War, in the shares and under the Regulations set forth in the said Order:

And whereas it is considered expedient to amend the Scale of Distribution contained in the said Order in Council of 24th October, 1916, so as to provide for a fixed number of Shares to be allotted to Flag Officers and Commanding Officers in lieu of the proportions set forth in the said Order in Council of 24th October, 1916, and to make other adjustments:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to cancel the above-mentioned Order in Council of the 24th October, 1916, and to authorize the distribution under the direction of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty of all Prize Bounty, also the net proceeds of Captures and Seizures under the several Acts of Parliament passed relating to the Revenues of Customs, and to Trade and Navigation, for the Abolition of the Slave Trade, for the Capture and Destruction of Pirates and Piratical Vessels, and of the Rewards conferred for the same,