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FRIDAY, 15 NOVEMBER, 1918.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 8th day of November, 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 2nd day of November, 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 pro-

visions, as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

“And whereas we are of opinion that Officers employed as Shipping Intelligence Officers, or in charge of the Defensive Arming of Merchant Ships, should be paid at consolidated rates in the same manner, and on the same scale, as Officers of Your Majesty's Naval Transport Service:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the Regulations for the payment of these Officers set forth in the annexed Schedule, with effect as from the 1st June, 1918.

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

[SCHEDULE.]