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FRIDAY, 18 FEBRUARY, 1921.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 14th day of February, 1921.

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 4th day of February, 1921 (C.W. 21954/20), 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 by the Regulations for the Government of Your Majesty's Naval Service Flag Allowance is not payable to Officers serving in Flag ships at Home Ports: ":And whereas we consider it desirable in consequence of the size and importance of the Reserve Fleet that at our discretion all or any of the Officers of the Flag ship of the Vice Admiral Commanding this Fleet should receive Flag Allowances:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction as from 1st July, 1920, the payment at our discretion of Flag allowances at the rate of 2s. 6d. a day to such of the Officers of the Flag ship of the Reserve Fleet who would be entitled to such payment under existing Regulations but for the fact that the said Flag ship is in the position of a Flag ship at a Home Port as we may think proper.

"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 FitzRon.