

the Royal Marine Artillery and the Royal Marine Light Infantry differ in the lower ranks in certain particulars:

"And whereas we consider it expedient that the pay of these two branches of the Royal Marine Corps should be assimilated:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the following revised scale of pay:—

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Gunner on enlistment ...	2	9 per diem.
Private on enlistment ...		
After one year's service or on completion of drills ...	3	6 per diem.
On completing training for embarkation ...	4	0 per diem.
After three years' man's time	4	3 per diem.
After six years' man's time	4	6 per diem.

The detailed introduction of the new rates to be made at our discretion with due regard to existing rights of men now serving in the Royal Marines.

"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 FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 10th day of *June*, 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 31st day of May, 1921 (C.W. 22341/20), 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 Your Majesty was graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council bearing date the 14th day of May, 1914, to approve an establishment of two Musical Directors (now styled 'Directors of Music') in Your Corps of Royal Marines, exclusive of the Musical Director of the Royal Naval School of Music, to sanction certain regulations for the promotion and retirement of these Officers, and to approve of their being eligible for pay, allowances, and retired pay, etc., on the same scales as for Regimental Quartermasters:

"And whereas Your Majesty has been graciously pleased, by Schedule V., Section IXB., Clause XVII. of Your Order in Council

bearing date the 22nd day of January, 1920, to sanction a revised scale of retired pay for Quartermasters, Royal Marines:

"And whereas we consider that the Bandmaster at each of the Royal Marine Divisions and the Depot, Royal Marines, should have the rank of Director of Music, that Directors of Music should be accorded more favourable conditions of promotion and retired at an earlier age than at present, and should receive retired pay on the revised scale laid down for Quartermasters, Royal Marines (subject to certain conditions), and that similar rules for retirement and retired pay should be made applicable to the Musical Director of the Royal Naval School of Music:

"And whereas it is necessary to appoint an Assistant Musical Director at the Royal Naval School of Music:

"And whereas, with the object of affording improved prospects of promotion to the personnel of the Royal Marine Band Service, it has been deemed desirable that the post of Assistant Musical Director and certain other appointments at the Royal Naval School of Music shall be recruited only from the Band ranks, and we consider that Officers appointed to the posts in question, together with the Musical Director of the Royal Naval School, should be eligible at our discretion for promotion to the rank of Captain, Royal Marines:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to approve the proposals set forth in the accompanying schedule, with effect from the 15th day of December, 1920.

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

"SCHEDULE.

"1. The rank of Director of Music to be held by the Bandmaster of the Divisional Band at each Royal Marine Division and the Depot, Royal Marines; the established number of Directors of Music being increased to five, exclusive of the Musical Director of the Royal Naval School of Music.

"2. Promotion to be granted at the discretion of the Admiralty to Directors of Music as follows:—

Lieutenant—on appointment.

Captain—after eight years' commissioned service.

Major—this rank to be granted to the Senior Director of Music of the Corps, provided he has not less than 15 years' commissioned service, and is recommended.

"3. An additional appointment of Assistant Musical Director to be established at the Royal Naval School of Music.

"4. The following appointments at the Royal Naval School of Music to be filled by promotion from the Band ranks, viz.:—

1 Assistant Musical Director, with the rank of Lieutenant on promotion.

1 Company Officer, with the rank of Lieutenant on promotion.

1 Quartermaster, with the rank of Lieutenant on promotion.

1 Sergeant-Major—Warrant Officer.

1 Superintending Clerk—Warrant Officer.

"5. The pay and allowances of the Directors of Music at the R.M. Divisions and Depot and