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FRIDAY, 28 APRIL, 1922.

At the Court at Windsor Castle, the 21st day of April, 1922.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 12th day of April, 1922 (C.W. 3632/22), 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 Orders in Council bearing dates the 12th December, 1885, and the 13th May, 1901, we are empowered to place Officers of Your Majesty's Naval and Marine Forces who are, in our opinion, unfit for or unworthy of further employment, on the retired list irrespective of age and service, and to grant to such

Officers such rates of retired pay or pension or such gratuity as we may think fit:

“And whereas we have considered the case of Officers of Your Majesty's Naval and Marine Forces who may be judged by us to be unfit for further employment by reason of incapacity or peculiarity of temper or other defect not amounting to misconduct and not caused by intemperate or irregular habits of life:

“And whereas we are of opinion that it is desirable in the interests of Your Majesty's Naval and Marine Services that we should be empowered to place such Officers on the Retired List, irrespective of age and service, and to grant such Officers retired pay or gratuity on retirement at rates appropriate to their service and rank on the Active List:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction our placing such Officers on the Retired List, irrespective of age and service at such rates of retired pay, pension, or gratuity as we may, with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury, determine.

“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