

payment for gold bullion brought to the Branch Mints in manner provided by regulations made under proviso (d) of sub-section (i) of Article 5 of each of the said Proclamations:

And whereas it is expedient that the said authority should be continued until the 31st day of August, 1924:

Now, therefore, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, in pursuance of the Coinage Acts, 1870 and 1891, and all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation, and We do hereby direct and ordain as follows:—

1. The Australian Branch Mints Proclamation, 1916, shall have effect as though the words "during the period ending on the thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four" were substituted for the words "during the continuance of the present war and a period of one year thereafter."

2. This Proclamation may be cited as the Australian Branch Mints (Amendment) Proclamation, 1922.

Given at Our Court at *Buckingham Palace*, this Twentieth day of *June*, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and in the Thirteenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 20th day of *June*, 1922.

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, 1922 (N. 5845/22), 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 we consider that recent changes assimilating the scales of pay and pension of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines justify cessation of the procedure instituted by Your Order in Council of the 30th June, 1890, by which Army Regulations regarding payment of an advance of pension or a gratuity on discharge are applicable to Royal Marines:

"We beg humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to authorise cessation of this procedure as regards:—

(a) All future entrants into the Royal Marines;

(b) Royal Marines pensioned or invalided on or after the 9th November, 1918.

"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 20th day of June, 1922.

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 9th day of June, 1922 (N. 5793/22), 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 we consider that the scale of Prize Money for proficiency in Rifle Shooting instituted by Your Order in Council of the 21st December, 1908, should be revised to meet present requirements.

"We beg humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction payment of Prize Money on the scales shewn in the attached schedule for proficiency in rifle shooting in the prescribed courses.

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

"SCHEDULE.

"SCALE OF PRIZE MONEY FOR PROFICIENCY IN RIFLE SHOOTING.

(With effect from 1st July, 1920.)

Naval Ratings.

Per cent. of Points. Prize Money Payable.

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65 0 6

66 1 0

67 1 6

68 2 0

69 2 8

70 3 4

71 4 0

72 4 8

73 5 6

74 6 4

75 7 2

76 8 0

77 9 0

78 10 0

79 11 0

80 12 2

81 13 4