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TUESDAY, 20 FEBRUARY, 1923.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 12th day of *February*, 1923.

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 8th day of February, 1923 (C.W. 11076/22), 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 Your Majesty was graciously pleased by paragraph 2 of Section III of Schedule B of Your Order in Council bearing date the 14th day of July, 1922, to authorize us, at our discretion, to place Sub-Lieutenants of Your Majesty's Navy, who are surplus to

requirements, on the retired list with a gratuity of £500, subject to certain restrictions and conditions as set forth in Schedule B of that Order:

“And whereas there is also on the active list of Your Majesty's Navy a surplus of Acting Sub-Lieutenants:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to authorize us, at our discretion, to discharge from Your Majesty's Fleet Acting Sub-Lieutenants who may be surplus to requirements and to grant them in each case a gratuity of £500, subject to the same restrictions and conditions as are laid down for Sub-Lieutenants in Schedule B of Your Order in Council of the 14th day of July, 1922.

“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.