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TUESDAY, 16 OCTOBER, 1923.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 11th day of October, 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 2nd day of October, 1923 (N. 2392/23), 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 it has become necessary to make a redistribution of Your Majesty's Marine Force in consequence of the reduction of personnel :

“And whereas the Corps of Royal Marines is now divided into two branches known as the Royal Marine Artillery and the Royal Marine Light Infantry, with the Royal Marine Band Service (Royal Naval School of Music) supplementary thereto :

“And whereas by Her late Majesty's Order in Council bearing date the 21st day of March,

1862, the general list of Officers of the Royal Marines was divided into two separate lists, one composed of the Officers of the Royal Marine Artillery and the other of the Officers of the Royal Marine Light Infantry :

“And whereas by Your Majesty's Order in Council bearing date the 3rd day of December, 1920, the General Officers, Royal Marines, are already borne on one list common to the Royal Marine Artillery and the Royal Marine Light Infantry :

“And whereas we have had under consideration the general organisation, training, and duties of the Corps, and the drafting and mobilisation arrangements, and consider that the Royal Marine Artillery and the Royal Marine Light Infantry should be amalgamated, and that certain changes should be made in the distribution of the Corps, and that its general training should be that of Infantry together with Naval Gunnery, specialist Officers and men being trained in the use of Land Artillery, Machine Gun, and in other specialist duties :

“And whereas we consider that the titles ‘Gunner’ R.M.A., and ‘Private’ R.M.L.I. should be superseded by the title ‘Marine’ :

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to approve, with effect from the 22nd day of June, 1923, the proposals set forth in the accompanying Schedule.

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