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FRIDAY, 27 MAY, 1927.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 26th day of May, 1927.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day Sir Malcolm Arnold Robertson, K.B.E., C.M.G., was, by His Majesty's command, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 26th day of May, 1927.

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 19th day of May, 1927, (C.W. 1578/27), 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 22nd day of January, 1920, to sanction, *inter alia*, a scale of retired pay applicable with certain specified exceptions to Captains, Commanders, Lieutenant-Commanders and Lieutenants of all branches of Your Majesty's Navy of the age of 40 years and above, the rate of retired pay for Officers of each of these ranks being subject to a maximum limit :

“And whereas the aforesaid scale, which is applicable also to Chaplains of the Church of England on the permanent list, makes no provision for the limitation of the maximum rate of retired pay of a Chaplain who has 20 years' seniority or over at the date of retirement :

“And whereas varying rules based on seniority are in force for calculating the emoluments of such Chaplains, other than full pay :

“And whereas we are of opinion that a maximum rate of retired pay should be established for all Chaplains of the Church of England who enter the Royal Navy after the first day of January, 1927, and who are retired at the age of 50 or earlier, that special provision should be made for the retired pay of such Officers if specially selected for retention on the Active List beyond the age of 50, and that the rules for the assessment of their emoluments, other than full pay, should be assimilated :