

regarding the disposal of balances standing to the credit of Depositors when a ship is paid off, and that the description of the Banks situated in H.M. Dockyards should be amended:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that in pursuance of the Act aforesaid and of all other powers in that behalf enabling Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to direct:—

"(i) that any surplus funds arising from the operations of the Banks after due provision has been made to meet the claims of Depositors and the expenses of management and administration and to establish a sufficient reserve may be paid to Your Majesty's Exchequer or be otherwise disposed of as the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, with the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury, may direct:

"(ii) that Article 32 of the Regulations shall be revised and have effect in accordance with the following, viz.:—

"32. When a ship is paid off the balances of Principal and Interest standing to the credit of Depositors will be transferred to a Naval Savings Bank situated in one of H.M. Dockyards or (in the case of Marines) to a Marine Bank for the purpose of continuing the investment unless application is made for the amounts to be disposed of in one of the following ways:—

"(1) Paid in cash by the Accountant Officer in the presence of the Commanding Officer or his Deputy, at the time the Crew are paid their wages, or,

"(2) Remitted for payment at their own homes, or,

"(3) Transferred to a Receiving Ship or Naval Barracks for payment, or,

"(4) Assigned for payment at the Admiralty Office, or,

"(5) Transferred to the Accountant General of the Navy for investment in a Post Office Savings Bank, on the distinct understanding, however, that it is not with a view to Depositors shortly withdrawing the amounts so transferred:

"and (iii) that wherever in the Regulations the expression Dockyard Bank is used the description Naval Savings Bank in H.M. Dockyard shall be substituted.

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

Now, therefore, His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and the Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury, being authorised thereto by His Majesty's said Commission have taken the said Memorial into consideration, and do hereby, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, on His Majesty's behalf approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 21st day of March, 1929.

PRESENT,

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES.

LORD CHANCELLOR.

PRIME MINISTER.

Lord Chamberlain.

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Lord Wraxall.

Secretary Sir W. Joynson-Hicks.

WHEREAS His Majesty was pleased by His Commission, dated the 4th day of December, 1928, to nominate and appoint Her Majesty The Queen, His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., His Royal Highness The Duke of York, K.G., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., the Most Reverend Father in God Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of Canterbury, the Right Honourable Douglas McGarel, Baron Hailsham, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and the Right Honourable Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury, or any three of them, during His Majesty's illness, to summon and hold on His Majesty's behalf His Privy Council, and to signify thereat His Majesty's approval of any matter or thing to which His Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas 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 March, 1929 (C.W. 419/29), 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 deem it necessary to appoint an Officer from the Retired List of Engineer Officers of Your Majesty's Navy for duty in connection with the mechanical transport allocated to Your Majesty's Corps of Royal Marines with the title of 'Chief Mechanical Officer':

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the following regulations, with effect from the 24th day of January, 1929:—

"(1) The Officer appointed for duty as aforesaid to be styled 'Chief Mechanical Officer.'

"(2) Retired pay to be suspended during service as Chief Mechanical Officer and the conditions of service generally to be as for a retired Officer voluntarily re-employed in time of peace, subject to the following special provisions:—

(a) *Relative rank* to be that of Major, Royal Marines.

(b) *Pay*. To receive full pay at the rate laid down for a Major, Royal Marines, of nine years' seniority, together with bonus of 15 per cent. in lieu of counting re-employed service for increase of retired pay.