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FRIDAY, 23 MAY, 1930.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 15th day of *May*, 1930.

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 14th day of April, 1930 (C.W. 11341/29), 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 Your Majesty was graciously pleased by Your Order in Council dated 12th August, 1924, to sanction, inter alia, a revised scale of retired pay for Quartermasters, Royal Marines, and the application of such scale to Directors of Music, Royal Marines, and the Musical Director, Royal Naval School of Music subject to the special conditions regarding length of service prescribed by Order in Council dated 10th June, 1921:

"And whereas it is considered necessary to define more fully the conditions under which Directors of Music and the Musical Director,

Royal Naval School of Music, shall be eligible for retired pay on the Quartermasters' scale:

"And whereas we are of opinion that provision should be made for the award of retired pay to Directors of Music and the Musical Director, Royal Naval School of Music, if invalidated after less than 15 years' service:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the regulations set forth in the annexed Schedule.

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

" SCHEDULE.

"1. Directors of Music and the Musical Director of the Royal Naval School of Music to be eligible for Retired Pay on the scale laid down for Quartermasters, Royal Marines, subject to the following conditions:—

(a) In the case of Officers promoted from the ranks or with previous Marine, Army or Royal Air Force service, 15 years' total service to be required before they are permitted to enter the Quartermasters' scale, but all who had 15 years' total service in the ranks and with commissions, to enter the scale at the rate appropriate to their rank and length of commissioned service: the counting of previous service to be subject to such service being allowed to reckon for pension purposes under the Regulations applicable to the Force in which it was rendered.