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FRIDAY, 16 OCTOBER, 1931.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 1st day of *October*, 1931.

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 29th day of September, 1931, (C.W. 7992/31), 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 under Order in Council bearing date the 4th day of July, 1895, retired Officers of Your Majesty's Naval Service when voluntarily re-employed do not count their further service for increase of retired pay but receive in addition to the full pay and allowances of their rank on the retired list a bonus of fifteen per cent. for every pound of the full

pay of their rank (exclusive of allowances) earned by them:

“And whereas Rear Admirals holding appointments as Admirals Superintendent of Your Majesty's Naval Dockyards are, in certain cases, retired on promotion to Vice Admiral and allowed to continue in their appointments:

“And whereas we are of opinion that the aforementioned rule as to remuneration should not apply in such cases:

“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.

“Vice Admirals placed on the Retired List of the Royal Navy and continued in their appointments as Admirals Superintendent of H.M. Dockyards are to receive the normal remuneration of an Active Service Vice Admiral and, in lieu of receiving a bonus of 15 per cent. on their full pay, will count their service in such appointments after retirement from the Active List of the Royal Navy for increase of Retired Pay on the Vice-Admiral's scale.