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TUESDAY, 7 JANUARY, 1936

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 20th day of *December*, 1935.

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 16th day of December, 1935 (N. 5133/35), 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 the provisions of Your Majesty's Order in Council of the 17th day of May, 1920, the pay of men sent sick to hospital from ships at home with disabilities due to their own misconduct, carelessness or neglect is subject to stoppages at rates laid down in the Regulations for the government of Your Majesty's Naval Service:

“And whereas we are of opinion that the pay of Naval ratings other than non-European natives, and of Royal Marines (other ranks) sent to hospitals abroad should similarly be subject to stoppages at rates and under

conditions similar to those applicable to men sent to hospitals at home:

“And whereas by Your Majesty's Order in Council of the 3rd day of July, 1909, it is provided that men and boys sent home sick from abroad shall be allowed thirty days' pay free of stoppages from the date of their entry into hospital in England:

“And whereas we consider that such provision is no longer necessary:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction hospital stoppages after the first 30 days in hospital for Naval ratings (other than non-European natives) and Royal Marines (other ranks) who are sent to hospital abroad on or after 1st February, 1936, with disabilities due to their own misconduct, carelessness or neglect, at the rates and under the conditions applicable to men in home hospitals, the Order in Council of the 3rd day of July, 1909, whereby 30 days' free treatment is granted to sick ratings from abroad after entry into a home hospital being abrogated.

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

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to 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.